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1. CW: What ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: "TERRY L. COBB Sr." <k6me@psln.com>
Message-ID: <68i2to$o9d$1@news.ncal.verio.com>
Source record: 182780
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Ed Legenza wrote in message <34AC4290.4914@earthlink.net>...
>Bill wrote:
>>
>> WK1V wrote:
>> >
>> > mike wrote:
>> >
>> > >Ed N6XA

From K6ME Terry:

Well 1500 watts CW on the CB Band sounds like fun But they would just move
on up too 10 meters like some already have.
Anyway CBers are not the root of this CW thing.
Since I'am an extra you know where I stand on the matter right !

2. Re: PCR1000 MOD is HERE !!-Get ALL the coverage that you paid for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Pat Sullivan <kk6pd@NoSpam.ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34AC9950.C617C2E4@NoSpam.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182781
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.radio.scanner

crap thisd was going to the guy who was selling the mod...oh well i
tried pat kk6pd

3. The best "filter". (Was: Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Jessup <kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com>
Message-ID: <01bd16fa$7d11de40$ba5aba97@caffeine.isdn.mei.com>
Source record: 182782
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>...

> Richard L. Tannnehill wrote:
> > If the code is still such a great filter, explain the trash mouths on
> > our 20 and 75 meter bands....mostly extras....I do think we can find a
> > much better filter than learning how to be a human digital modem.
> >
>
> They're not "mostly extras", but--
> More to the point, what would those bands be now without the aforesaid
> filter?

I wonder what is in fact the BEST filter (assuming one is needed).

Is aural pattern recognition of encoded information the best approach?
Or should the "filter" be based on knowledge that can be applied to
far more than the almost "mechanical" and automatic (once mastered)
recognition of a predefined set of tones?

Kevin Jessup, sr software engineer
Marquette Medical Systems
http://www.mei.com
kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com

4. Re: Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <68h01odac2@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 182783

In article <68gcg5bo1@gte1.gte.net>, algo@bellatlantic.net (R. Makul K1XV) wrote:

>
>It would be interesting to hear anecdotes as to how people first got
>inspired to get a license.
>
>73, and Happy New Year, Ray, K1XV

Good question Ray! My first exposure to it was when I was in my late pre-teens. A guy up the street (who became like a big brother to me) was a ham. I remember him in his shack talking to people all over the world. I thought it was real neat. But alas I didn't bother with it for some reason. Then in my late 20's I started shortwave listening and hearing the hams. Sounded like it was a lot of fun. Sooooo, in the early fall of '94 I decided to check into it. Got the book "now your talking" at Radio shack. 30 days later took my tech exams and passed! A year later I took and passed my 5wpm and upgraded to Tech plus. Now I'm working on my code speed to get my General. One of the draws to me was the possiblity of talking to astronauts and cosmonauts in orbit. Well, last year I did it! I talked to KC5TZQ, John Blaha on Mir! Man I'm STILL pumped up from that contact!

Let's hear MORE stories!

73!
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
Member: AAVSO Solar Division
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

5. Re: Need weather satellite frequenties !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34AC8352.A0A@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 182784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.space,nl.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Ton C. Jaspers wrote:
>
> Xsubmarine@airnet.netY (CRT) wrote:
>
> >The internet has all satellite photo's. Why bother with that stuff?
>
> <retorical mode on>
> Ever tried to get on the internet from 9 degrees 5 minutes West,
> 50 degrees 5 minutes North ?
> <retorical mode off>
>
> tcj@xs4all.nl
==========================================================================
Whats so retorical about that statement? Truth is AFFORDABLE interent
access isn't available clear all across the U.S. Getting back to the
subject. Many amateurs and other radio hobbyists are in this to try to
do things themselves

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net
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6. Re: You know you might be a Ham when...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: CM <NOSPAM-McCurryC@poboxes.com>
Message-ID: <68h88d$g2v@usenet42.supernews.com>
Source record: 182785

Sorry to burst the bubble, but your four year old is wrong. *.to is an international domain -- because they got the "*.to" address, a commercial outfit has been exploiting it's "English" meaning (through their government) and inviting cute things like "surf.to", etc... The referenced page in fact does lead to "http://www.qni.com/~kg0zz/hamlinks.htm" -- but, it depends on your path to *.to, and the initial traffic going there.

regards.. Chuck

Larry Ewan wrote in message <34aafda0.4603066@news.digital.net>...
>On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 14:36:43 GMT, helmsman wroth:
>
>>cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>
>>>On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 18:51:27 -0800, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com>
>>>wrote:
>>>
>>>>Visit http://sur.fto/ham.radio
>>>
>>>>(WoW! That's any easy URL to remember!)
>>>
>>>>KG0ZZ
>>>
>>>easy URL to remember, but I can't connect.
>>
>>Same here!
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>>>
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>>>_____
>>>
>>>Gar�on Mignon (�galement connu comme M@S@)
>>>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>>>�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>>>Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>>>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>>>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>>> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>>> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
McGill)
>>>_____
>>>Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
>>>ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non

sollicit&#65533;s!!
>>
>>Helmsman@Mindspring.com
>>KG8PM
>>42.29N 83.08W
>>
>Hope you guys are generals or above - my four year old can tell that
>that is a bogus URL. You both fell right into his trap!

7. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr*@no.nst>
Message-ID: <34AC9516.684@no.nst>
Source record: 182786

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <19980103043101.XAA10863@ladder01.news.aol.com>, petermaus@aol.com
> (Peter Maus) writes:
>
> >>Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right
> >to
> >shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.
>
> or "FIRE!" at an
> >NRA convention.
>
> Or "TAKE A SHOWER...PLEASE!" at a hamfest.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Boy that is certainly true, what with all the cbers that turn up at
ham-fests now.

8. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Louis Bybee <louisb@datacomm.com>
Message-ID: <34AC455C.AB25280D@datacomm.com>
Source record: 182787
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

I have purchased a lot of things from Radio Shack and for the most part I have been treated well. The times I have had trouble that I didn't think was fair, I complained directly to the Brass in Fort Worth. In every case after a reaming for being bothered by a customer that should have been taken care of locally, the store manager in question couldn't do enough to make me happy. In one case the manager even ran from the counter when he saw me coming to open the door and give me the royal treatment. The moral to this story is TAKE the time to write a letter to the Top Brass of any company you are having trouble with. Be polite, point out the problem you are having, be specific on the solution you would like, and don't fill the letter with foul language and threats. I have found that the above advice usually produces positive results even when what I'm asking for isn't what I deserve.

Louis

Dwight G. Bosselman wrote:

> If you do buy Radio Shak, be sure to buy the service contract. I bought an HT
> 3 years ago, went back for repair six times, then a month before the service
> contract ran out, they gave me a new rig, but wouldn't let me renew the serv.
> contract. Also went thru two of their spkr mikes. The real joke is I probably
> didn't use the stuff more than once a week, at the most. About the same time I
> had bought one of their 30w amps, it sizzled out two months later, they did fix
> that for free. Have had real good luck with their DSP. Must admit their service
> is great!
>
> Beware when you buy! I surely won't waste my time or money on their stuff
> again!
>
> 73 Dwight W9YQ
>
> John Lochey wrote:
>
> > On this same note, I'm thinking of buying an Icom T2A, but a friend begged
> > me to check out the Radio Shack 2M rig first (HT). It seems more
> > expensive, bigger and with less features. Plus Radio Shack always dinks
> > you with no accessories. The accessories usually have to be boughten later
> > or seperately. Any ideas or thoughts?
> >
> > Thanks,
> >
> > John
> >

> > DANO <kimo9@idt.net> wrote in article
> > <01bd13ac$f1425200$081871ce@default>...
> > > anyone had experience with rs mobile 2-meter rig. what did yiu think. can
> > > it be converted for any goodies? is it worth the money they're asking?
> > any
> > > suggestions for something in the same price range.
> > > DANO
> > >
>
> --
> 73 Dwight de W9YQ

9. Re: Radio Progressive (was Re: DECLINE ? - OH YES !!)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ab803a.3075357@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182788
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Could it also be that the business, they are loosing, is simply going over to other stores for their amateur radio equipment.

Larry

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 12:02:23 -0500, Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG> wrote:

>There was a piece on the news last night (CFCF tv) about the store in
>Quebec, Radio Progressive. It mentioned that while business had not
>been great, the final reason for closing is new language laws coming into
>effect on January 1st.
>
>Apparently with the new year, retailers are expected to ensure that
>instructions that come with goods being sold be in French as well as
>English. I do recall reading something about this a few months ago,
>and there was concern about it affecting business.
>
>The manufacturers of ham equipment are not interested in providing
>the manuals in French, for after all it is a very small percentage of
>the market. Radio Progressive, according to the piece, cannot afford
>to do the translations themselves. So it is closing.
>
>THe new law will presumably impact on the other places in Quebec selling
>ham equipment (and a lot of other items), such as the place in Trois
>Riviere and any place in Quebec City selling the stuff. Unless they have a
>more general business to sustain the ham part, and can afford to translate
>the manuals.
>
>
> Michael VE2BVW
>
>On Tue, 23 Dec 1997, Mr. Slime wrote:
>
>> Several amateur radio stores that I know of are closing -- they don't
>> get lots of customers anymore.
>>
>>
>> I know one in BC and one in QUE.
>>
>> One in BC, they are not closing, but they used to have 6 employees two
>> years ago; now they only have 2.
>>
>> One in QUE, I saw the web saying they are having 10%-50% specials

>> because they don't sell the amateur products anymore in near future.
>>
>> Look around. There are stores that are closing nearby.
>>
>> ----------
>>
>> Open amateur radio to everyone. I am not saying give a way the
>> licenses. How about if you make a fair license ?? The CW
>> requirement is not fair. If the no-code technician [basic] can use
>> the HF bands, the situation is not as bad as the one that exists today
>> as far as the closing of the stores is concerned. More people, more
>> fun. More fun, more people. More people, more stores. More
>> stores, more people.
>>
>>
>> I know old foggies want to stick with their generation, but it won't
>> work !!
>>
>>
>> --
>>
>> Mr. Slime AKA M@S@
>> Student @ McGill University Science
>> Montreal, Quebec, Canada
>> E-mail : slime@radiotelephone.net.ham
>> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (General)
>> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (McGill University)
>> --
>>
>> Remove ".ham" to reply.
>>
>> WARNING: I will not buy/response any products from unsolicited e-mails !!
>>
>>
>

10. A use of morse code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34abb9d1.17821458@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182789

greetings and happy new year.

Recently, I was watching a program on tv concerning ice research in the arctic.

The reason for this message has nothing to do with the topic of this documentary but something that was being done in the background.

Most of the conversations, ship to ship (there were at least 2 ships that I could see) and within the crew members was being done using voice.

However, in at least one shot I saw a person using cw. They didn't say what the cw was being used for but I suspect they were exchanging technical information from the ship to the central 'laboratory' using cw.

Larry ve3fxq

11. How I was inspired to get my licence...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: refinle1@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <34ABF555.95@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182830

In response to Ray,K1XV:
I first became intrested in radio when my dad turned me on to
the wonderful world of SWL, way back in 1965. Ten years later I got into
the even better world of scanning and Chicken Banding, Back in the days
when the Chicken Band was licenced. (My call was KPW-7112)
Anyway, I wanted to get my ham licence in the worst possible way, and
finally got it in Late October of 1996, With Technician class, Callsign
KB2ZYO. Am now working for my upgrade to Tech Plus; Hopefully, it won't
take me another 20 years to get around to that one...
73's, and happy 1998 to one and all,
Dave, KB2ZYO

12. Re: Code Free Access to HF? - Not in Your Lifetime

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <68ghsblns1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182831

>>Well I guess the old Excusses arent working anymore so now they will
>>try
>some other Lame Excuse
>
>
>Why not do us all a favor and work on your spelling, capitalization, and
>grammar instead?
>
>"Where's that big 'Ol CB RAMBO?"
>"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Typical.

You can't answer a question, so you resort to attacking someone's writing skills. I suppose you probably even have a college degree, so that makes you a better person. Therefore, a less educated person isn't entitled to an opinion because they can't construct perfect sentence.
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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.

Tom - N8ECW

13. WTD.KENWD TH25AT LCD Display

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: David Anderson <danderso@rapidnet.net>
Message-ID: <34ABA27B.7E9A@rapidnet.net>
Source record: 182832
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.marketplace,att.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Wanted: Kenwood Liquid Crystal Display Window for my Kenwood
TH25AT. Mine is only functional on the top 1/4 and Kenwood
Canada wants $225.00 CDN to replace it and I feel that is
far more than the unit is worth.
So If anone out there has a "dead" unit that they feel has a
functional LCD or is aware of another compatable fit
please email.
73
David Anderson VE7IFD
-- <spudsnstuff@rapidnet.net>
SPUDS N' STUFF Anderson's Direct Farm Market.33625 Townshipline
Abbotsford BC YUKON GOLD, RED PONTIAC, GEMS NORQUEEN
MAUREEN'S CRAFT TABLE Homecrafts VE7IFD 146.600- t 110.9
Web: http://www.spudsnstuff.com email alias: spudsnstuff@rapidnet.net
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14. Re: LOST: Generation of HF Operators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <68gkhb$2ja$2@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182833

In article <19971227175401.MAA02749@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
lfdbc@aol.com says...
>
>>Standards are designed to filter out unwanted flotsam. By eliminating
>>the code test for VHF privileges (and replacing it with nothing else)
>>the No-Code Agenda was successful in converting the VHF frequencies,
>>specifically, the 2 meter band, to a Family Radio Service. Now, any
>>numbskull capable of committing test answers to short-term memory
>>(and that's exactly what they do, as is evidenced by the huge number
>>of technical questions about the most basic concepts I hear) has a
>>VHF-only license.
>>
>>
>
>Tests do not generate " standards ". The FCC defines our standards.
The tests
>only reflect a certain level of knowledge required of the operator in
order to
>recieve privledges reletive to liscense class.
>Overall, I have met better operators on VHF than on HF. I have heard
things on
>20 and 75 mtrs that I thought were to be found only on 11 mtrs.
>
>Les, KE4YLT

Testing does not define the "standard". The FCC defines the standards.
The tests only reflect the ability of an individual to meet those
standards. Overall, I have met better operators on HF than on VHF/UHF.
I have heard things on 2 and 75CM that I thought were to be found only
on 11 mtrs.

Frank, K7RMJ

hmmmm.... almost an echo in here. You don't suppose that what we hear
most is somehow related to where we listen, do you???

just food for thought.

15. Re: Code Free Access to HF? - Not in Your Lifetime

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980101174701.MAA22670@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182834

In article <68ghsblns1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>Typical.

You can't answer a question, so you resort to attacking someone's
>writing
skills.

Only when the other party "attacks" first, as was the case here. Don't you think it looks pretty foolish when someone (like the party in question here) attempts to come off as an expert opinion on radio regulations, but yet cannot even compose a simple sentence that is free of errors?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

16. Re: Chaos and self-policing

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980101174700.MAA22677@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182835

In article <68gfdl$g5s$1@gte1.gte.net>, Greg Dean <n9nwo@gte.net> writes:

>
Vigilante rule is on the rise. Folks no longer trust the courts to
perform
>their duties. Hell, a rich white guy can get divorced then
have his ex-wife
>come back into court in front of the same judge and
get a total reversal. If
>rich white guys can't get justice, who can?
Black folks in the intercities
>are using self justice (vigilantes)
rather than using the courts and the
>justice system. As I said, self
discipline has broken down in America.

Absolutely correct. Welcome to America in 1998. This will get worse before it
gets better. Hang on...it's gonna be a rough ride. Lock and load.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

17. Re: 80m HF w/ vertical antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Message-ID: <34acd60d.2857943@news.interbusiness.it>
Source record: 182836

On 24 Dec 1997 07:13:51 GMT, tsum3drac@aol.com (Tsum3Drac) wrote:

>
>>I would like to know if a vertical antenna for 80m will do a good >job.
>
..... omissis ....
> Also be aware of a pitfall that very many hams fall into. If you set up a
>shortened vertical with an inadequite counterpoise, ground resistance will be
>high. This will have the affect of improving your VSWR reading over a wider
>segment of the band. Don't remove radials to improve VSWR and bandwidth. All
>you would be doing is dissipating a larger portion of your power in the ground
>resistance. This is a bad thing which appears good on the VSWR meter.
>
> Good luck with your vertical.
Hallo dr OM
>Blake - WB4PLL
I have red on my old Antenna book that to rise the impedance level of
a shortened GP a capacitance HUT should be mounted on the top. But
there are no measures on it. What for measures (i.e. formulas) would
be for a Cap. Hut for an 80M gp about 8 to 10 meters tall ?
Thanks es 73 de ic8pof filippo

fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Insula Capri
Mare_Nostrum

Remove :" -key* " to send e-mail
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18. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jan Allbright <jan.allbright.NOSPAM@usa.net>
Message-ID: <34ABDAD2.4AFB0024@usa.net>
Source record: 182837

Having a scanner in ones car depends on the local law.

The most recent scanner bill made some reference to excluding amatuer radio operators and firefighters ... but that bill is pretty much dead for a while.

Rowdy Randy wrote:

> Hello,
> Is it not true that a person with an amateur radio license can monitor
> police radio traffic on a mobile scanner installed in a vehicle ? I
> have discussed this with someone and I know that I read this
> somewhere, but I don't remember where. I would like to find it in
> print to show this other person. HELP ?!
>
> Thank you,
> Randy
> rwarner@seidata.com

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Jan Allbright - "14-91" - Calhan Volunteer Fire Department
-- KC0BUY -- 146.970(-) <100hzPL> -- Colorado Springs --
real mail response needs to remove NOSPAM from email

19. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1670

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980101092008.18970A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182838

Rick Tannehill wrote: "If the code is still such a great filter
explain the trash mouths on our 20 and 80 meter bands."

Well Rick, we have 3,750 kHz of M/HF spectrum. If we were to divide
that up into say, 5 kHz-wide "channels", we'd have 750 "channels."
So let's say we can have 750 simultaneous QSOs occuring on the bands.
Now what percent of those QSOs contain trash mouths? Just 2% would
be equivalent to 15 trash-mouth QSOs. Can you even find 15 rotten
QSOs occuring simultaneously on the bands?

If just 2% of the QSOs consists of riff-raff, I'd say we're doing
pretty well. That riff-raff exist on M/HF just goes to show that
even the riff-raff can learn the code.

Care to guess what percent of all HF-licensed amateurs make up that
riff-raff? One percent would be a very generous figure (keeping in
mind that if you so much as sneeze on HF half the world might
hear you).

That you don't encounter the riff-raff on CW must mean that banning
voice would completely eliminate the problem.

73, and Happy New Year,
Jeff KH2PZ / 7

20. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1670

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980101100011.18970B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182839

Slime wrote: "Well... late 40's is young then. should we consider
50's and 50's is young also ??"

Depends upon the individual. While in my mid-30s I broke three Hawaii-
state swimming records. Now that I'm (almost) 44 I still swim 2 km
every morning (at 6am) in 35 minutes time.

Jeff KH2PZ / 7

21. Re: radio shack htx-404

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rob Carlson <rcarls2@gl.umbc.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.SGI.3.96.980101125430.19910A-100000@umbc8.umbc.edu>
Source record: 182840
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 30 Dec 1997, DANO wrote:

> does any one have the mods for this radio???are their any for it

You can open it up and turn the pots to adjust your transmit power and deviation, but I don't figure that's what you were looking for.

Rob KC2AEI

22. Alternative to Radio Shack 242.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rob Carlson <rcarls2@gl.umbc.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.SGI.3.96.980101130113.19910B-100000@umbc8.umbc.edu>
Source record: 182841
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 28 Dec 1997, DANO wrote:

> anyone had experience with rs mobile 2-meter rig. what did yiu think. can
> it be converted for any goodies? is it worth the money they're asking? any
> suggestions for something in the same price range.

Try the IC-2000H. It's roughly similar, with 50W max and 60 alpha
memories. Last I heard, HRO was seeling them for $234.95.

I have one and I love it.

Rob KC2AEI

23. Re: Amor Powers: ham operator.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <68gnnb$c6a$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182842

In article <34A1A496.41A6@radio.net>, power@radio.net says...
>
>Larry sezz:
>>
>> Hi Amor P.
>> My question, though, why are you so set against cw ...
>
>I'm not against CW at all, Larry. I experience great passion and
>enjoyment for it in my own operation, but that is my own choice to use
>it.
>
>But I have seen so many wonderful people completely turned off to ham
>radio because of our past sin of making it a forced prerequisite to
>participation or full access. I'm frankly ashamed of myself and my peers
>for allowing the present state of the licensing requirement to continue.
>
>I am not the only one who feels this way. Several other very prominent
>hams who have taught code and theory to many more people than I, have
>come out with a similar viewpoint recently.
>
>Amor Powers

Greetings to the group,

Amor,
I can understand someone wanting to help others partake of a very fine avocation such as amateur radio and I applaud your efforts. I know how easy it is to learn the code and what an insurmountable obstacle it can appear to be to those who do not yet know it.

It took me 6 weeks of 1/2 hour classes 3 times a week (thaks Carl, K7CUZ) plus a half hour daily listening to a code RECORD (1959) to learn the code at 8 wpm. I was age 12 at the time. I am NOT particularly bright or gifted. I was NOT the fastest learner. If I learned it, and if I cared enough about my hobby to learn it, why is it so difficult for others? It is actually less of a requirement than the technical knowledge requirements for a Novice license.

I do hope the code is kept as a requirement for amateur radio just so it will not be forgotten. I too have many friends who complain that the code is too hard to learn so they shy away from it. My comments to them are always the same, "Give it a try. It is a LOT easier than you think."

The "No-Code" license is upon us. Okay. so be it. Then I welcome the new class of Amateur Radio operator and I challenge them to exceed the standards and deeds of bravery and innovation that were established by many Amateurs throughout history. I know, I know... this sounds a lot like flag waving,

but there IS a lot of fine history about amateurs already in the books, and I am also sure the new class of amateur WILL exceed those standards and deeds. If the use of cw eventually goes away, then it will just be another page in the history books, but cw will NOT die on the amateur bands as long as I have a license.

As to being ashamed for having cw as a prerequisite to full access, don't be! The instances where cw was instrumental in saving lives or assisting the injured when all other modes of communications were inoperable are many. Ask just about any WWII Veteran. There is your valid reason why cw was required for many years. At one time, it was THE most popular mode of communication. It was the ONLY mode at one time. The technology available to us these days is advanced to the point where cw is now almost a dinosaur in comparison. Don't be ashamed of amateur radio because it has not changed as rapidly as technology. Be ashamed of our governing authorities for not changing rapidly enough to keep up with changing technology. Or be ashamed of those few people who like to post outrageous comments intended to irritate or shock others. But don't be ashamed of amateur radio.

Gee, looks like my $0.02 worth turned into $0.25. Sorry, I'll put the soapbox away now. If anyone wants a cw schedule, just send me an email or look for me on 40cw in the evenings.

Regards to all and Happy 1998

DE K7RMJ Frank dit..dit

24. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34ABDDCF.115B@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182843
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 10:59:17 -1000, Jim Reid <jreid@aloha.net> wrote:
>
> >Look at the 2176 new Extra Class (20 wpm CW) license earners/upgrades
> >just in the first 11 months of 1997 (W5YI Report).
>
> is it about 0.000001% of US population ??
>
> what a great number to show that the hams [extras ?] are increasing...
>

Hey Stupid Boy, if it would prevent even one more dud like you from
getting licensed I would advocate a 20wpm code test for all no-code
techs. I see you're a genius at math, too. Why don't you go play in the
traffic?

25. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34ABE930.68D885DC@ibm.net>
Source record: 182844
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> getting licensed I would advocate a 20wpm code test for all no-code
> techs. I see you're a genius at math, too. Why don't you go play in the
> traffic?

Another post from Dickie, taking the high road.

God, it would be almost worth tabling the code debate in
return for an end to your hapless, witless posts on this
forum.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

26. ft-101zd SOLD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34AC0FDD.75F0@lni.net>
Source record: 182845
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Its sold, Thanks for all the replies.
73
Al Kd8z
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27. Re: Internet QSLs?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: MIKE NORTON <manorton@thegrid.net>
Message-ID: <68gq7d$6ik$1@zinger.callamer.com>
Source record: 182846

Larry I kind of see your point, but signatures? Email is WIDLEY used now as
a means of comunication, besides, who would want to send a fals QSL card?

I think its a great idea. Especially with all the problems some countrys
are having with snail mail. Even alot of those countrys still have net
conenction (strange as it sounds)

But hay, I guess its up to the powers at be. But Im going to give out
eQSL's as well as mail QSL's to whoever I have a email address for.

And BTW, I am only a tech now so not much need for it but I do plan to up
and then really need them.

So it's not ready yet, but if anyone would like to see my eQSL jsut email me
privatly and ill send it to you when Im done.

Mike Norton
kf6ncy@qsl.net (spamers go away--dont mess with me)

larry wrote in message <349fb5ad.2845377@news.sprynet.com>...
>I think that will eventually come.
>I believe the only problem is in cofirming, eg a signature, that the
>card did indeed come from the other station.
>However, as the internet does become more common place amounst
>amateurs, etc, that process, I think, will come.
>Larry ve3fxq
>
>On Mon, 22 Dec 1997 17:16:23 -0800, "Cleo Smith" <cleo@easystreet.com>
>wrote:
>
>>Has anyone out there looked at the issues involved with delivering
>>authenticated QSLs over the net to get around the timeliness of QSL
Bureaus
>>and the cost of postage? I'm working on a website in this area and would
>>like to compare notes....
>>73
>>John K7TY
>>
>>
>

28. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abedf3.10401539@news.total.net>
Source record: 182847

On 30 Dec 1997 14:23:08 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>If you and others who think like you are successful, there will be no future
>for this hobby.
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

but the old foggies don't care. they just want to stick with their
generation.

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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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29. WTB tubes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chong Ong <ongkt88@erols.com>
Message-ID: <34ABE0AB.5AB4@erols.com>
Source record: 182848

Want to buy the following tubes:
2A3, EL34, EL37, KT66, 6550 Tungsol, WE tubes and equip.
Thanks.
Chong <ongkt88@erols.com>

30. New Pickup Ant. Mount!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Curtis <info@geotool.com>
Message-ID: <34ABEF28.7306@geotool.com>
Source record: 182849

Attention: Owners of full size CHEVY, GMC, and FORD Pickup Trucks.

If you need a really strong antenna mount, check out the stake hole antenna mount:

http://www.geotool.com/antmount.htm

Please drop by our web site.

Cheers,
Rick Curtis
WA6JKH

31. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68gsajsnk1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182850

In article <688ph0$933$1@news.indy.net>, Brad Wilmot <kb9kyy@indy.net> wrote:

>I am just sickened by the "No Coders Bashing" Telling everyone that
>people who didn't learn morse code to get their licenses should not be
>allowed on the air. I am a blind, teenage ham, who cannot afford HF
>equipment, and I really don't want it. I wanted to get into ham radio to
>experiment in the UPPER bands, not HF.

Hello Brad,

The only "no-code bashing" which occurs on a regular basis is criticism
of those codeless hams who made a personal decision to get a codeless
license, and now whine about not having access to HF. If you have a codeless
license, and you are happy where you are at and don't care if you have
HF access, more power to you, and enjoy the hobby.

>Can't we all just get along?

Unfortunately, no.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

32. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68gsl0spl1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182851
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34abca8d.1338022@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>>I have found almost no people (on either side of the code test issue)
>>who think the existing theory examinations are "sufficient".
>
>it's ok.

How many US-license theory examinations have you taken recently?

>not many people are interested in amateur radio anyway. if they know
>the basic, why not invite them ??

Define "the basic". How to turn on a radio and key the transmitter?

>If we TEST them, they will not come. If we INVITE them, they will come.
>Believe it. Not many people are looking for using CW or anyway of
>amateur radio communication as a method of communicating.

So, we should just put amateur radio licenses in boxes of Fruit Loops
so the kiddies can get them at the same time they get their Super Secret
Decoder Ring?

>It is fortunate that old foggies who are in charge of deciding what's
>required are becoming silent keys. The old day's thinking is NOT
>valid in today's society.

I wasn't aware that requiring people to be competent is "old day's thinking".

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33. Re: HF PROPAGATION CHARTS ONLINE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeff@jehosophat.com
Message-ID: <slrn6antpd.dq0.jeff@photuris.jehosophat.com>
Source record: 182852

<jerhall@worldnet.att.net> said this:
>Online worldwide HF radio propagation prediction charts with LUF
>curves for QRP and high power are now available for the month of
>January. Check them out at http://home.att.net/~jerhall/.

Nice site Jerry!

Would you mind if I added a link for your site to the Jehosophat page?

73 de n9avg,
--
jeffrey davis
jeff@jehosophat.com

34. Canadian Basic Qualification Study Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abfb3f.13805957@news.total.net>
Source record: 182853
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Please share my study guide with whom wants to become an amateur.

The evaluation is available at no-charge, but please register
the study guide with your donation.

The full version of Advanced Qualification manual and
Professional Qualification (all class) manuals are NOT available for
general public, but will be sent out free to the users who register
(as soon as they become available).

It's located at http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/study.pdf

I have also some other materials that you may want to accompany with:

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/bands.pdf
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ham.pdf
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/rj.pdf

A free downloadable Acrobat (R) PDF reader is required to read the
document.

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35. *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abfdc9.14456277@news.total.net>
Source record: 182854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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According to some sources, Microsoft purchased the company, Hotmail, a
free e-mail provider, as of December 31, 1997.

What do you think about this ??

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36. Re: TRUNKER for Windows, any interest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: grohe@galaxy.nsc.com
Message-ID: <34abf752.551802@139.187.81.1>
Source record: 182855
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 23:37:05 GMT,
in the newsgroup rec.radio.scanner,
jcwren@atlanta.com (John "Chris" Wren)
from Internet Atlanta thoughtfully posted:

>
> OK, I have a question for you scanner-heads out there. Would
> people be interested in a program similar to TRUNKER that runs under
> Windows?

Or as a TSR? So that the PC could do other things, too?

Instead of relying on a PC, can some one crunch some code for a
PIC? (Or COP8? :^) A BS2 may be too slow.

I would think a small "black box" that converted the datastream
into a serial control stream would be *Much* more convenient.

It could be small enough to carry along with your portable (or
even mount *inside*), making any "controllable" portable
"trunk-capable". No laptop needed!

In fact, could someone convert the code for the MDT decoder?
Datastream in and 9600 baud serial out - You could use any OS
(Mac,PC,UNIX,LYNIX), even a HP48, Palmtops or a Pilot.

Unfortunately, I am not a "Code Jockey", and this is *way* above
my current programming skills at this time.

We seem to have some very proficient programmers out there, it
should be easy for them to do this conversion. The bulk of the
code is already available.

Wouldn't it be nice to have a "software upgradable"
trunk-tracking scanner?

Cheers,
Paul Grohe

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37. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <whagen@inreach.com>
Message-ID: <34AC061F.27F1@inreach.com>
Source record: 182856
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

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WK1V wrote:
>
> mike wrote:
>
> > Gee If we kill the CW portions of the bands don't we give up the whole
> > thing. I can operate CW almost ANYWHERE
>
> There is nowhere in the US amateur spectrum where CW is not permitted. You
> can operate CW EVERYWHERE....
>
> --
> j:) -=wk1v=-
everywhere except the 11 meter citizens band.
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38. Re: Mr. Bill Cheek

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34ae0b32.48678563@news.flash.net>
Source record: 182857
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 15:11:33 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>I found an interesting newsgroup:
>
>alt.fan.bill.cheek
>
>
>I suggest you to take frames against Mr. Bill Cheek to this newsgroup,
>not in this newsgroup.
>

bill cheek is a dick

39. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd16d9$06ac2060$0d1871ce@default>
Source record: 182858

in the federal laws..it is against the the law to use a scanner or 2way radio to break, bend or even elude the laws of any city, county or state. so, lets say you have one of those scanners thats called the bear tracker, and your speeding thru tenn. the warning light goes off and you slow down...well, tenn highway patrol have vehicle extenders tied into their cruisers, and thats what the beartracker picks up on. you have a unmarked hw patrol unit two cars behind you and he keys his radio to say something, and you hit your brakes. after he pulls you over, he sees the scanner, and knows thats what warned you, he can arrest you on the spot.
in short, the states have started adapting laws making any scanners, radar/lazer detectors and cell phones illegal to have hooked up in your car..so my advise, keep the scanner at home, and the cop that pulls you over wont asume your a drug dealer, and go thru your car looking for any thing he can find.

40. Re: Mr. Bill Cheek

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34b20ef8.21128053@news>
Source record: 182859
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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>I suggest you to take frames against Mr. Bill Cheek to this newsgroup,
>not in this newsgroup.
>
I suggest you take a flying leap to the moon, cutie boy trouble maker
mr. slime masa dumbass. It's FLAME, not FRAME, you moron.
>
>_____
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>
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--
Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, delete the
xyz from my address.

41. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68gsqhsqk1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182860
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34ABE930.68D885DC@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:

>Another post from Dickie, taking the high road.

Oh well. Its unfortunate Dick took a page from the Book of Stevenson.
Luckily, one post from Dick doesn't compare to the endless stream of
hate and insults eminating from Stevenson's keyboard.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

42. Re: Mr. Bill Cheek

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34af0609.6600170@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

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>
>
>I suggest you to take frames against Mr. Bill Cheek to this newsgroup,

Frames, huh? I don't recall folks taking any frames against anybody
around here.

>not in this newsgroup.

I suggest you stop changing your name so I don't have to keep stuffing
you back in my killfile.

<PLONK>
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

43. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1671

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980101145121.12959G-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182862

Masa wrote: "HF rigs are so expensive to buy..."

You're apparently blinded by the full-color magazine ads, Masa. I'm awaiting the delivery of a 3-22 MHz 10W CW transmitter from Fair Radio. Bought it from them for $30. My Galaxy SSB/CW HF transceiver only cost me a $40 dinner for the previous owner.

My soldering gun cost me $10. From that $10 investment, I've built, at no additional cost, a dozen radios using components from other electronic devices.

Buying used gear or building your own will allow you to get on the air at little or no cost.

Jeff KH2PZ / 7, H0CW / 7

44. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd170e$76b07a20$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182863

Yo Doc <yodoc@aol.com> wrote in article
<19971221032600.WAA07957@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> In article <349C6113.6E31@radio.net>, "Amor Powers, Radio" <power@radio.net>
> writes:
>
> >So much for the CW-Church argument that CW will be swept into oblivion
> if
> >no-coders are given access to HF.
>
> Amor:
>
> Please give the name, callsign (if applicable), and a quote from any
> acknowledged and admitted "pro-coder" in this newsgripe who has
> made such a statement. Just one will suffice.
>
> 73 de Larry, K3LT
> FISTS nr. 2008

Roll has said essentially that on numerous occasions. Yes, the
wording has been *slightly* different, but the meaning has been
clear ... you have stated that Morse testing "must" be continued,
else people will not bother to learn Morse and the mode will ball
into disuse.

That is, for all purposes and intents, the exact same claim that
you challenge Amor to cite an example of.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

45. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1671

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980101151225.12959H-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182864

Someone@somewhere wrote: "While you scream at each other about
code requirements your hobby collapses in on itself."

Could you be specific in how the hobby/service is collapsing
in on itself? We were awarded three new HF bands during the
last decade, and there is a government proposal to award us
with more MF and HF spectrum. HF-wise, we're doing quite well.

I see no problems, except for a little bickering on the newsgroups
- many of the more vocal aren't even licensed, so they're nothing
more than a bit of noise - the NG equivalent of repeater kerchunkers.
(I guess yourself should be included in that group - on the outside
looking in.)

Oh, there is a very small handful of riff-raff on HF, but considering
the great number of licensed hams, the riff-raff makes up a tiny
percentage of all amateurs. You'll note they're all on phone, not
CW.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

46. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AC0F8E.EF44EC11@flash.net>
Source record: 182865
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> According to some sources, Microsoft purchased the company, Hotmail, a
> free e-mail provider, as of December 31, 1997.
>
> What do you think about this ??

I think it's off topic, your so quick to tell everyone to move thier "Bill Cheek"
discussions somewhere else I wonder if you practice what you preach?

Tim

47. Re: INTERNET NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AC1107.F4CEDDEF@flash.net>
Source record: 182866
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:

> I "memorized" CW (26 + 10 + some) and I passed the test in one day.

No, you did not.

48. Re: CB Rambo coffee server?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AC1C27.9ACFE3DF@flash.net>
Source record: 182867

CBRambo wrote:

> >
> >In one post CB Rambo wrote:
> >
> >>You are wrong. Typical arrogant HAMBO attitude, and a big reason why I
> >
> >>discontinued operations on the amateur bands.
> >
> >the following afternoon he wrote:
> >
> >>Let me attempt to clue you into a quick reality check here, John. I'm
> >>involved with my local RACES/ARES chapter and I indeed have some clue
> >as
> >>to what would happen if Tucson, AZ was involved in a serious crisis.
> >
> >Since you've discontinued your operations on the amateur bands Rambo,
> >what are you doing at the RACES meetings?
> >Serving coffee?
> >
> >
>
> Looks like Little Timmy better learn how to follow a thread properly. I did
> not write the second "quote" that you erroneously attributed to me.

It did not appear forwarded, if it was not of your origination then I stand
corrected.

Tim

49. Re: LOST: Great Minds and Enthusiastic Operators from Ham Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AC4205.644A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182868
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cecil Moore wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
> > Fifteen years of "same privileges" licenses brought on "Incentive
> > Licensing". Thirty years later it is still working as designed.
>
> Yes, unfortunately, it is still working as designed. You have reached
> the Brahmin class while Dr. Williamson, with a PhD in EE, is still a
> lowly untouchable no-code tech. Doesn't it ever seem strange to you
> to have such a Caste System in an otherwise free country where all
> citizens are supposed to have equal access to publicly owned frequencies?
>

Cecil--your Dr. Williamson is no more a victim of a caste system than
you, me or any other ham, and you know it. You have already stated that
he *chose* to be a no-code tech simply because he decided not to comply
with the requirements of any other class of ham license. That is his
choice, as much as it was yours and mine to fully comply. Whatever else
you read into it is just so much agenda-promotion.
--No-Code Agenda promotion, to be sure.

73 and have a Happy New Year, Dick W0EX
(The weather sure was nice at Panama City Beach on Christmas day)

> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC

50. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34AC491A.5763A1F4@mindspring.com>
Source record: 182869

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Michel Castelein wrote:
>
> /* This C program runs in MS-DOS, in remembrance of MORSE,
> officially deceased the 1 January 1998. */

Hmmm, I just flipped by 160m, 80m, 40m 30m, etc and
heard a BUNCH of Morse being banged out. It didn't sound too
dead to me...

Phil
--
Phil Heaton
ke4krt@mindspring.com
http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt
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51. Motorola Radio's For Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Todd Ricke <toddr@dominet.com>
Message-ID: <34ac5cb8.0@news1.ibm.net>
Source record: 182870
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur.club.clarc,pnet.rec.radio.amateur.talk,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Maxtral 2 channel, VHF 25 watt - $175

Spectra 800mhz, 35 watt, A-7 w/ cables etc., Remote head - $350

MTS 2000 w/ flash port, 406-502mhz, with rapid charger, and 2nd ultra high capacity battery - $700

Visar UHF A-7 450-470mhz, with dual charger - $500

Please Email me for any questions or if you are interested.
toddr@dominet.com

52. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34ABE653.6754@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 182871

Good Lord,
Whatever happen to "REASONABLE" Suspicition?? . By that logic I better
pull put the 2M mobile out of the pickup and leave the HT's home in the
closet.

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net
==========
DANO wrote:
>
> in the federal laws..it is against the the law to use a scanner or 2way
> radio to break, bend or even elude the laws of any city, county or state.
> so, lets say you have one of those scanners thats called the bear tracker,
> and your speeding thru tenn. the warning light goes off and you slow
> down...well, tenn highway patrol have vehicle extenders tied into their
> cruisers, and thats what the beartracker picks up on. you have a unmarked
> hw patrol unit two cars behind you and he keys his radio to say something,
> and you hit your brakes. after he pulls you over, he sees the scanner, and
> knows thats what warned you, he can arrest you on the spot.
> in short, the states have started adapting laws making any scanners,
> radar/lazer detectors and cell phones illegal to have hooked up in your
> car..so my advise, keep the scanner at home, and the cop that pulls you
> over wont asume your a drug dealer, and go thru your car looking for any
> thing he can find.

53. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Alan Anderson <James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com>
Message-ID: <ebfp6czF9GA.103@upnetnews03>
Source record: 182872

As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with amateur licenses anyway.....

there goes the 3K Henrys.....

Alan

Tim Hynde wrote in message <34A9C004.788B5066@flash.net>...
>
>
>CBRambo wrote:
>
>> >Hmm, I wonder why they gave us MORE HF spectrum back in 79? The WARC bands,
>> >remember those Rambo, wasn't 30m CW only too?
>>
>> You're conveniently forgetting about the 40% of 220 that they took away 10
>> years later. This was a DIRECT result of the ARRL's stubborn refusal to
>> endorse any sort of codeless amateur license. Make sure you thank your friends
>> in OLDington for that swift move.
>
>Your becoming more bizarre with each and every post, what does no code on HF have
>to do with loosing a section of a VHF band? And why the hell would the FCC care if
>the ARRL endorsed code free licenses or not? If the FCC wants to create a codeless
>amateur license for HF, VHF or any other band they certainly don't need the
>approval of the ARRL. Where the hell did you come up with this idea?Some commercial
>interests wanted part of the band, they bid for it and got it. If you look at how
>much 220 is used it should be no surprize why we lost a portion of it.
>
>The no-code tech license was going to attract all these great RF engineers,
>microwave specialists and the like who would have got their ticket except for that
>damn code. Where are they? Where is the huge influx of new operators who would save
>us from our demise? Clearly not on 220, a band they could operate on. So much for
>the no code tech license saving our hobby, and now you want the same for HF eh? No

>thanks Rambo, I'll take my chances by keeping the CW requirement.
>
>
>Tim
>

54. Re: PCR1000 MOD is HERE !!-Get ALL the coverage that you paid for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Pat Sullivan <kk6pd@NoSpam.ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34AC9788.62E3B040@NoSpam.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182873
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.radio.scanner

WHY PAY FOR IT...I FOUND THIS ENJOY ALL
John Chris Wren wrote:

> You've been waiting.
>
> You've been told it can't be done.
>
> You don't want to pay for it.
>
> Here's how you do it.
>
> The PCR-1000 full coverage mod:
>
> What you'll need:
> Small philips screwdriver
> Slightly larger philips screwdriver
> Soldering iron with *very* fine tip
> Xacto knife, or other sharp tool
> 2 0-ohm surface mount resistors, 0804 in size, or
> 30 guage wire-wrap wire
> No fear of surface mount components
> Ability to follow instructions
>
> Very very very first step. Read ALL the steps before
> starting. Make sure you feel comfortable making a mod of this nature.
> It's not rocket science, but it does require a steady hand.
>
> There are three things that can happen as a result of this
> mod. 1) You're completely successful. 2) You screw up a surface
> mount pad, but the radio still works when you're done. 3) You're a
> total hack using the wrong tools, and you send the radio back to Icom
> for repair.
>
> Hopefully, you're a result 1 type person. At worst, you're a
> result 2. If you think your going to be a result 3 type, don't even
> start. Call a friend.
>
> We've done this mod on 2 radios with complete success. We
> can't guarantee that in later radios this mod will still work. It
> works at least with serial numbers up to 1111 in the last 4 digits.
>
> Let's get started!
>

> Remove the 8 screws that attach the cover, and remove the top
> cover of the radio.
>
> Orient the radio so that serial, power and RF connector are
> closest to you, and the power switch faces away from you.
>
> On the PC board closest to you, in the upper left hand corner
> you should see a 80 pin surface mount chip. It has a number such as
> 64F3334 stamped on it. This is the processor.
>
> Near the upper left hand corner of the chip, you should see 2
> small green 0-ohm resistors. To the left of the two resistors you
> should see an unpopulated pair of pads. These are the 3 "R"s below,
> on the left. The 4th "R" is used for location reference below.
>
>
> | RRR R
> | o ooo
> | o -----------------
> | o | |
> | o | | D
> | | | D
> | r | |
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> | | |
> | | |
> | --
> ----------------------
>
> (Picture courtesy of Alan Adamson, NE1H)
>
> Using the soldering iron and knife, *carefully* remove the
> right hand resistor. You'll need to alternately heat the two ends,
> while apply a *light* pressure with the knife. Once it's hot enough,
> it will left off. It's very easy to destroy the pads the resistor is
> soldered to, so be *careful*.
>
> You'll now need to short the pads of the left resistor (this
> is the unpopulated one). You can either try and re-use the resistor
> you just lifted (least good idea), short them with a short piece of
> wire wrap wire (OK idea), or use a real 0-ohm resistor (best idea).
>
> For the next step you have two options. One option is easy
> and does not require removing the board from the radio (recommended).
> The other option is "more correct", but will require disconnecting all
> the cables, removing the 5 screws that hold the board down, etc
> (purist method). We'll presume you're more likely to want easy, so

> here are the steps for it.
>
> Keeping the radio oriented as described above, look below the
> right hand resistor (the one we removed). You should see 3 vias
> (holes) (see picture above). Follow the left most via, and it should
> go to the left most pin of the processor. The second via should go to
> the next pin to right, and third via should go to the pin to right.
> At this point, you should see two pins that don't appear to be
> connected to anything, then a pin that connects to a small black
> resistor marked 201 (this is the 4th "R" in the picture).
>
> If you've sucessfully located the 6 pins above, we want to
> short the pin that is the 4th from the left to ground. Above these 6
> pins, you should see a small black rectangle, with 8 pins. I believe
> it is marked 220. On the side of this part (it's a resistor pack),
> there is a pin that is soldered to the ground plane.
>
> To short the 4th pin from the left to ground, tack a wire to
> the pin. Be *very* careful not to short the adjacent pins to the 4th
> pin. It's very easy to do. It you do, use a piece of Soldrwick or
> coax braid to remove the solder. Better yet, don't short the pins.
> Tack the other end of the wire to the pin on the resistor pack
> described above.
>
> OK, you'd rather do it the "more correct" way. Disconnect all
> the cables from the board. You'll need to remove the shield from the
> RF section to remove the white ribbon cables. Disconnect the power
> and speaker cable. Remove the 5 screws that hold the PC card down.
> Remove the card from the radio.
>
> Orient the board as described above. Look for the white
> connector above the packet connector (lower left). It's marked J12.
> Just above that are a pair of solder pads for a resistor. One side
> goes to ground, the other goes to a via. Follow the trace on the
> bottom side of the board. You should see that it goes to a via, but
> that the trace has been cut right next to the via.
>
> Using a sharp knife and a lot of care, scratch away the solder
> mask to reveal bare copper on the trace. Use a piece of wire wrap
> wire to repair the cut trace (bridge the trace to the via). Back on
> the top side, short the pads for the resistor that are open (this is
> the lower case "R" on the left, off by itself).
>
> Reassemble the radio. If you used the "more correct" way,
> make sure you get all the screws and cables back in.
>
> Plug it in, turn it on, fire up the software. Tune a
> frequency you couldn't before. If you can tune it with the software,
> and the squelch is open, you're working!
>

> If it's not working, review everything we described. Make
> sure you didn't short any pins. I can't offer you much more help if
> it didn't work.
>
> Remember, you screw up your radio, it's not my fault. I don't
> work for Icom, I don't represent Icom. I don't endorse listening to
> frequencies you're not supposed to, and can't be held liable for
> anything that happens, anywhere in the universe, as a result of you
> making this mod, or even thinking about making this mod (Gawd, I hate
> lawyers. CYA!). This mod was done completely from our own experience
> and background, and did not reference any material. We don't know
> about these people selling the mod on the 'net, but we didn't steal it
> from them.
>
> Hope this helps. If you've got any suggestions to improve how
> to make this mod, please send e-mail. If you made this mod, let us
> know how it went. Also, if you want a list of the PCR-1000 commands
> we know about, drop us e-mail, or use DejaNews(tm) and search the
> alt.radio.scanner groups for the post (look for PCR-1000 in the
> subject).
>
> - Chris, KD4DTS
>
> (Thanks to Alan Adamson, NE1H for his being ready and willing
> to sacrifice his radio to a higher cause, and his drawing).
>
> ---
> John "Chris" Wren, KD4DTS
> jcwren@atlanta.com
> 770-945-8288 (H)
> 770-840-9200 x2417 (W)
>
> By US Code Title 47, Sec.227(a)(2)(B), a computer/modem/printer
> meets the definition of a telephone fax machine. By Sec.227(b)
> (1)(C), it is unlawful to send any unsolicited advertisement to
> such equipment, punishable by action to recover actual monetary
> loss, or $500, whichever is greater, for EACH violation.

55. Re: What does 55 mean?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: larryc@northwest.com
Message-ID: <34AC73CD.2D3D@northwest.com>
Source record: 182874

shave and a haircut, 2 bits.

that's what it means...

often we'll close out with just "dit-dit" for the "2 bits" portion
==========

Alex Holden wrote:
>
> larry <lar01@sprynet.com> wrote in article
> <34ab025f.52402198@news.sprynet.com>...
> > I am not sure but, I think 55 is the hex equvelent to the number 73.
> > It is just humour.
> > Larry ve3fxq
>
> Nope, 55(Hex)=85(Decimal)
> 73(Decimal)=49(Hex)
> It's not Octal either.
>
> > On 31 Dec 1997 12:27:52 GMT, e95_jja@elixir.e.kth.se (Joar Jacobsson)
> > wrote:
> >
> > >Sometimes when having a CW QSO with german hams i get 73 and the code 55
> at the end of the conversation.
> > >
> > >I simply want to know what that means.
> > >I've asked several german hams, even in german; Was bedeutes 55?, byt I
> have got no answer so far. I've also searched the net for lists of abbrevs,
> mut the result is nil.
> > >
> > >Does anyone know and wish to explain 55 to me?
>
> --
> --
> : Alex Holden- Electronics student, Caver, and Land Rover enthusiast. :
> : http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Lab/1532/ :
> ------------ Linux- The choice of a GNU generation. -----------------

56. Re: How do I get the power company to solve my QRN problem?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: larryc@northwest.com
Message-ID: <34AC7663.1CF5@northwest.com>
Source record: 182875

here in portland oregon, PGE was responsive... but only after making a nuisance of myself for weeks. their noise expert knew abt as much as the average ham. a good point. he had me tune in my noise problems on the collins while he was on his cell fone... and as i tuned across the 40mtr band he announced... "SCR noise". lite dimmers. not a lot anyone can do abt that.

by putting the audio on a scope, i could determine that the noise rep rate was 60 Hz. a nice sawtooth. giving this info to the pwr line expert also confirmed his statement.

i also discovered one nite that their "wide area" light fixtures down the block were not working properly. another souce of intense static. a bad light ballast was the problem.

sometimes the pwr company will change insulators or replace (or even re-connect!) power line filters at transformers (those coils at the tops of the poles). often, one work crew will disconnect them and forget to re-connect them after they're done.

once dimmer hash gets into the pwr line network, it's a bitch to eradicate.

larryc, n3ccw
=========

larry wrote:
>
> Interestingly enough most people within the electrical companies and
> radio regulatory bodies, if find, consider amateurs to be talented
> enough to be able to handle most of their own noise problem.
>
> If you find that you can pinpoint a noise source to a specific item, I
> find the powers that be will then respond to your specific problem
> source. However, to tell the power company that you have a problem
> and ask them to find the source, they have much more important, and
> productinve, things to do.
> larry ve3fxq
>
> On 29 Dec 1997 00:14:10 GMT, kk4bh@aol.com (Kk4bh) wrote:
>
> >>Rob Frohne <frohro@wwc.edu> wrote:
> >>>>I'm wondering if anyone
> >>>>knows of a way to build a fire under the electric company. How can I make
> >>>>them more interested in this? I was told today that RFI is a very low
> >>>>priority for them. I think they don't think eliminating something I can

> >>>>hear with such a large antenna is unnecessary.
> >>>>Any suggestions would be very welcome!
> >>>>Rob KL7NA/W7
> >
> >Rob,
> >
> >Having QRN problems with a power company can just about drive a ham operator
> >crazy. I know, I've been there. Your posting leaves out some details, so I'll
> >just tell you what I did to overcome this problem.
> >
> >Some years ago when my QTH was in the Chicago area, I started getting +20db/s9
> >noise whenever my beam was in a southern direction. This noise seemed to be
> >worse after a rain or during heavy fog. About 1,000 feet south of my home were
> >some high voltage lines comming directly from one of Commonwealth Edison's
> >steam plants. Also, after a rain you could hear a "singing"' noise comming from
> >them.
> >
> >I called them and could get nowhere. Customer sevice told me I would have to
> >contact the FCC. At one of our club meetings I brought this up and found that
> >several other hams had problems in the past. They told me to contact the Field
> >Operations Manager. It took some time but I finally got through to him. I
> >explained my problem (in a very diplomatic way) and he said he would look into
> >it.
> >
> >Several days later I noticed 3 or 4 service vehicles from the power company
> >under the lines directly accross the street from my house. A few days after
> >that I noticed them replacing one the huge porcelin insulators. Another day or
> >two went by when the Field Operations Manager called me and asked if I was
> >still having problems. I told him no and he informed me that the insulator was
> >the problem. I didn't have this problem again for the several years afterward I
> >lived there..
> >
> >I don't know who you talked to at your power company, but if there is a Field
> >Operations Manager, you need to get in touch with him. He should be well versed
> >on his obligation to see that the power company is not causing interference.
> >Whatever you do, don't loose your cool. Be diplomatic. You need them to correct
> >the problem.
> >
> >73's
> >Ken
> >KK4BH

57. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr*@no.net>
Message-ID: <34AB4D8A.4837@no.net>
Source record: 182876

Alan Anderson wrote:
>
> As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with amateur
> licenses anyway.....
>
> there goes the 3K Henrys.....
>
> Alan

Naw, most of them couldn't pass the test even as simple as it is today
with memorizing the answers.

58. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34AC81DA.1756@icss.net>
Source record: 182877
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> According to some sources, Microsoft purchased the company, Hotmail, a
> free e-mail provider, as of December 31, 1997.
>
> What do you think about this ??
>
> ----------------------------------------------------------------------
>
> Garï¿½on Mignon (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ----------------------------------------------------------------------
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

I heard that he bought McGill U. What do you think about that?
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59. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34AC8BEA.7BA3@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182878

Bill wrote:
>
> Alan Anderson wrote:
> >
> > As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with amateur
> > licenses anyway.....
> >
> > there goes the 3K Henrys.....
> >
> > Alan
>
> Naw, most of them couldn't pass the test even as simple as it is today
> with memorizing the answers.

Yeah! and I am sure the would know how to do a RF exposure evaluation!
Let's see it wold go something like this:
...k the FCC I can radiate my family and neighbors if I wann, its a free
country!
Besides...my family lived right nexte to a FM radio station pumping out
100,000 watts and look at how I turned out.
The RF exposure and interference ...p is just a commie plot to take away
my rights to cuss and swear over the air (followed by a beer belch).

Ed Legenza
N6XA

60. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34AC4290.4914@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182879
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

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Bill wrote:
>
> WK1V wrote:
> >
> > mike wrote:
> >
> > > Gee If we kill the CW portions of the bands don't we give up the whole
> > > thing. I can operate CW almost ANYWHERE
> >
> > There is nowhere in the US amateur spectrum where CW is not permitted. You
> > can operate CW EVERYWHERE....
> >
> > --
> > j:) -=wk1v=-
> everywhere except the 11 meter citizens band.

Well maybee code should only be allowed with 1500 watt or higher powered
transmitters on the 11 meter band!

Ed N6XA
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61. NOAA WX radios

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.971231173059.25964A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182938

To the poster who said the 1 kHz tone will be eliminated:

The NWS wrote me an email stating they will "... keep the 1050 Hz tone probably forever, due to the large number of tone decoder equipped receivers that have been sold to consumers over years..."

Jeff KH2PZ / 7

62. Re: You know you might be a Ham when...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lewan@digital.net
Message-ID: <34aafda0.4603066@news.digital.net>
Source record: 182939

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 14:36:43 GMT, helmsman wroth:

>cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
>>On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 18:51:27 -0800, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com>
>>wrote:
>>
>>>Visit http://sur.fto/ham.radio
>>
>>>(WoW! That's any easy URL to remember!)
>>
>>>KG0ZZ
>>
>>easy URL to remember, but I can't connect.
>
>Same here!
>>
>>
>>
>>
>>_____
>>
>>Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
>>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>>&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
>>Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
>>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)
>>_____
>>Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
>>ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!
>
>Helmsman@Mindspring.com
>KG8PM
>42.29N 83.08W
>
Hope you guys are generals or above - my four year old can tell that
that is a bogus URL. You both fell right into his trap!

63. Re: NOAA WX radios

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <68evt6$4o3$3@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 182940

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.971231173059.25964A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
jherman@sierra.NET (Jacqueline Herman) wrote:
>
>To the poster who said the 1 kHz tone will be eliminated:
>
>The NWS wrote me an email stating they will "... keep the 1050 Hz
>tone probably forever, due to the large number of tone decoder
>equipped receivers that have been sold to consumers over years..."
>
>Jeff KH2PZ / 7

Well THAT'S good news!

73,
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
Member: AAVSO Solar Division
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

64. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <68f04u$4o3$4@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 182941

In article <19971231182601.NAA22410@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>In article <34aa9c49.4544771@207.126.101.82>, jeff@centuryinter.net writes:
>
>>Let's get down to the REAL issue here. There are people who are
>incapable of
>>learning code and want the FCC to revamp the rules so
>they can get ham
>>licenses.
>
>
>Wrong. We want the rules revampted so that they show relavancy to
>communications in 1997. Not 1927, as is currently the case.
>
>I don't believe I've heard anyone on here asking that the technical exams be
>eliminated or reduced in difficulty.

I actually agree with you. I wouldn't mind if they increased the questions on each test by say 15-20. I think haveing to know more technical info is far more important than having to do a code test. I'm currently trying to get to 13wpm so I can upgrade to general (from Tech plus).

Tom

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65. Re: What's the best CW Memory Keyer ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: paul1@news.sfu.ca
Message-ID: <68eqp5$8fb$1@morgoth.sfu.ca>
Source record: 182942

hisa@ibm.net (Hisa Iwasaki) writes:
Hi Hisa,

In my view, the best keyer you can buy is the super cmos III. It is easy
to build, and you won't find one more flexable.

Anything else I need is taken care of with TRlog and a computer.

The best of the new year to you as well.

cheers, Paul
VE7CQK
email: paul1@wizard.ucs.sfu.ca

>Happy New Year !

>I'm going to buy a CW Memory Keyer soon and wonder what's the best model
>in the market.

>Please let me know.
>Thank you,
>Hisa

66. What Are You Listening To?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeff@jehosophat.com
Message-ID: <slrn6am4ae.b9l.jeff@photuris.jehosophat.com>
Source record: 182943

New Article on Jehosophat!

Article explains some of the digital modes that make those "strange" sounds
on the ham bands. Complete with RealAudio clips.

Check it out:

http://jehosophat.com/ham/sounds.html

73 es Happy New Year!
--
jeffrey davis
jeff@jehosophat.com

67. Re: What Are You Listening To?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Crocker <billc@rust.net>
Message-ID: <68fakc$r09$1@news2.ispnews.com>
Source record: 182944

Jeff:

Hey that was great!

Thanks for the post,
Bill Crocker

Jeff Davis wrote in message ...
>New Article on Jehosophat!
>
>Article explains some of the digital modes that make those "strange" sounds
>on the ham bands. Complete with RealAudio clips.
>
>Check it out:
>
> http://jehosophat.com/ham/sounds.html
>
>73 es Happy New Year!
>--
>jeffrey davis
>jeff@jehosophat.com

68. PCR-1000: Full coverage mod (for free)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jcwren@atlanta.com
Message-ID: <34ef22f2.974811765@nntp.atlanta.com>
Source record: 182945
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner

You've been waiting.

You've been told it can't be done.

You don't want to pay for it.

Here's how you do it.

The PCR-1000 full coverage mod:

What you'll need:
Small philips screwdriver
Slightly larger philips screwdriver
Soldering iron with *very* fine tip
Xacto knife, or other sharp tool
2 0-ohm surface mount resistors, 0804 in size, or
30 guage wire-wrap wire
No fear of surface mount components
Ability to follow instructions

Very very very first step. Read ALL the steps before
starting. Make sure you feel comfortable making a mod of this nature.
It's not rocket science, but it does require a steady hand.

There are three things that can happen as a result of this
mod. 1) You're completely successful. 2) You screw up a surface
mount pad, but the radio still works when you're done. 3) You're a
total hack using the wrong tools, and you send the radio back to Icom
for repair.

Hopefully, you're a result 1 type person. At worst, you're a
result 2. If you think your going to be a result 3 type, don't even
start. Call a friend.

We've done this mod on 2 radios with complete success. We
can't guarantee that in later radios this mod will still work. It
works at least with serial numbers up to 1111 in the last 4 digits.

Let's get started!

Remove the 8 screws that attach the cover, and remove the top
cover of the radio.

Orient the radio so that serial, power and RF connector are
closest to you, and the power switch faces away from you.

On the PC board closest to you, in the upper left hand corner
you should see a 80 pin surface mount chip. It has a number such as
64F3334 stamped on it. This is the processor.

Near the upper left hand corner of the chip, you should see 2
small green 0-ohm resistors. To the left of the two resistors you
should see an unpopulated pair of pads. These are the 3 "R"s below,
on the left. The 4th "R" is used for location reference below.

(Picture courtesy of Alan Adamson, NE1H)

Using the soldering iron and knife, *carefully* remove the
right hand resistor. You'll need to alternately heat the two ends,
while apply a *light* pressure with the knife. Once it's hot enough,
it will left off. It's very easy to destroy the pads the resistor is
soldered to, so be *careful*.

You'll now need to short the pads of the left resistor (this
is the unpopulated one). You can either try and re-use the resistor
you just lifted (least good idea), short them with a short piece of
wire wrap wire (OK idea), or use a real 0-ohm resistor (best idea).

For the next step you have two options. One option is easy
and does not require removing the board from the radio (recommended).
The other option is "more correct", but will require disconnecting all
the cables, removing the 5 screws that hold the board down, etc
(purist method). We'll presume you're more likely to want easy, so
here are the steps for it.

Keeping the radio oriented as described above, look below the
right hand resistor (the one we removed). You should see 3 vias
(holes) (see picture above). Follow the left most via, and it should
go to the left most pin of the processor. The second via should go to
the next pin to right, and third via should go to the pin to right.
At this point, you should see two pins that don't appear to be
connected to anything, then a pin that connects to a small black
resistor marked 201 (this is the 4th "R" in the picture).

If you've sucessfully located the 6 pins above, we want to short the pin that is the 4th from the left to ground. Above these 6 pins, you should see a small black rectangle, with 8 pins. I believe it is marked 220. On the side of this part (it's a resistor pack), there is a pin that is soldered to the ground plane.

To short the 4th pin from the left to ground, tack a wire to the pin. Be *very* careful not to short the adjacent pins to the 4th pin. It's very easy to do. It you do, use a piece of Soldrwick or coax braid to remove the solder. Better yet, don't short the pins. Tack the other end of the wire to the pin on the resistor pack described above.

OK, you'd rather do it the "more correct" way. Disconnect all the cables from the board. You'll need to remove the shield from the RF section to remove the white ribbon cables. Disconnect the power and speaker cable. Remove the 5 screws that hold the PC card down. Remove the card from the radio.

Orient the board as described above. Look for the white connector above the packet connector (lower left). It's marked J12. Just above that are a pair of solder pads for a resistor. One side goes to ground, the other goes to a via. Follow the trace on the bottom side of the board. You should see that it goes to a via, but that the trace has been cut right next to the via.

Using a sharp knife and a lot of care, scratch away the solder mask to reveal bare copper on the trace. Use a piece of wire wrap wire to repair the cut trace (bridge the trace to the via). Back on the top side, short the pads for the resistor that are open (this is the lower case "R" on the left, off by itself).

Reassemble the radio. If you used the "more correct" way, make sure you get all the screws and cables back in.

Plug it in, turn it on, fire up the software. Tune a frequency you couldn't before. If you can tune it with the software, and the squelch is open, you're working!

If it's not working, review everything we described. Make sure you didn't short any pins. I can't offer you much more help if it didn't work.

Remember, you screw up your radio, it's not my fault. I don't work for Icom, I don't represent Icom. I don't endorse listening to frequencies you're not supposed to, and can't be held liable for anything that happens, anywhere in the universe, as a result of you making this mod, or even thinking about making this mod (Gawd, I hate lawyers. CYA!). This mod was done completely from our own experience and background, and did not reference any material. We don't know about these people selling the mod on the 'net, but we didn't steal it from them.

Hope this helps. If you've got any suggestions to improve how to make this mod, please send e-mail. If you made this mod, let us know how it went. Also, if you want a list of the PCR-1000 commands we know about, drop us e-mail, or use DejaNews(tm) and search the alt.radio.scanner groups for the post (look for PCR-1000 in the subject).

- Chris, KD4DTS

(Thanks to Alan Adamson, NE1H for his being ready and willing to sacrifice his radio to a higher cause, and his drawing).

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770-840-9200 x2417 (W)

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69. Mirage B108 Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n5knd@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AB5171.5EE@flash.net>
Source record: 182946

I need to replace the preamp transistor in my Mirage B108 amp. The schematic is not giving me a part number for it! Anybody have any ideas what the preamp number might be? It appears to be a Mosfet To-39 case.

Thanks Greg

70. Re: Typhoon Tauzin

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34bff75f.23812617@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182947
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Robert F. Helvar" <rf2h@hel2mail.net> wrote:

>Whether this specific information is true or not,
>Tauzin's staff has continued from time to time in
>off the record statements to indicate that acute
>mismanagement, particularly in CIB, will cause the
>agency's downfall and ultimate elimination.
>
>Tauzin has been quoted in some trade journals as
>saying that all remaining field offices will be
>closed, followed by a reduction of up 75 % in the
>headquarters staff.
>
>Grossly inflated salaries and no valid mission for the
>CIB are additional reasons whey the agency's days
>are numbered.
>
>My advice to agency employees is to prepare your
>resume, no matter how pathetic it looks after you've
>spent so many years doing nothing for extravagant
>salaries.
>
>KEEP AN EYE ON TYPHOON TAUZIN, he's coming
>your way FCC!

God save us all from Billy Tauzin, the bought-and-paid-for frontman
for the big communications companies. Tauzin's the most dangerous
thing out of Louisiana since Huey Long.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

71. Re: What does 55 mean?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ab025f.52402198@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182948

I am not sure but, I think 55 is the hex equvelent to the number 73.
It is just humour.
Larry ve3fxq

On 31 Dec 1997 12:27:52 GMT, e95_jja@elixir.e.kth.se (Joar Jacobsson)
wrote:

>Sometimes when having a CW QSO with german hams i get 73 and the code 55 at the end of the conversation.
>
>I simply want to know what that means.
>I've asked several german hams, even in german; Was bedeutes 55?, byt I have got no answer so far. I've also searched the net for lists of abbrevs, mut the result is nil.
>
>Does anyone know and wish to explain 55 to me?
>
>pse k de sm0tqt Joar
>e95_jja@e.kth.se Joar Jacobsson, Stockholm, JO88QX
>
>

72. Re: Puns-why not

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ab071d.53616743@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182949

It's nice that we amateurs have a sence of humour.
Larry ve3fxq

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 17:28:50 -0500, kf2ti@planet.net (Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ)) wrote:

>Two atoms were walking down the street and one turned to the other and
>said "I think I just lost an electron" The second atom asked, "Are you
>sure?". The first replied.'I'm positive!"
>
>A neutron walks into a bar and asks,"How much for a beer?". The
>barkeeper replies,"For you, no charge!"
>
>Two Eskimos are hunting from their kayak. After a while they get a bit
>chillily and build a fire. Of course, the kayak sinks and they drown.
>The moral of all this..
>
>YOU CAN'T HAVE YOUR KAYAK AND HEAT IT TOO
>
>--
>Steve KF2TI
>KF2TI@planet.net
>http://www.planet.net/adell
>
>Live from Panarama Land 2000

73. Re: Radio Planes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ab05aa.53245061@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182950
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

After I read some of the other replies, I reread the original message
and I am now not sure if the person was looking for plans to build a
plane or the radio control part of it.

I guess the reason I jumped to that conclusion was that if the person
wanted to build the airplane I concluded they would have gone to a
newsgroup more associated with model aircraft building.
Larry ve3fxq

On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 10:01:46 -0600, renacerd@latino.net.co wrote:

>Hi all!
>
>Happy new year.
>
>I would like to know if you can send me some very good radio planes
>(or drafts). I would like to construct my own radio (transmitter and
>receiver).
>I&#65533;m a newbie in this so, it does not matter if the radio has just some
>meters range. The larger, the better..
>
>Thanks in advance
>
>PD. Could you forward this to other guys, if you can not help me?
>
>----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

74. Re: libraries (was Re: ANTENNA LENGTH)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: CW <cw1@mci2000.com>
Message-ID: <01bd168b$1e739b40$790837a6@0300755303094494>
Source record: 182951
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I know I would'nt buy anything Mr. Slime,especially something I was
expecting to learn something from.

Mr. Slime <slime@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote in article
<34a8e91d.3794304@news.total.net>...
On Sun, 28 Dec 1997 21:17:13 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Mr. Slime wrote:

>> On Sun, 28 Dec 1997 16:22:38 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> >Speak for yourself M@s@. Most of your posts certainly are ignorant
however you
>> >are certainly no representative of the ham community.M@s@, if you put
the same
>> >effort into this "study guide" as you do your posts to this newsgroup
it should
>> >be clear why you have not recieved any "payments" yet.
>>
>> please tell me what's wrong with my posts in the newsgroups. I
postthe
>> appropriate articles into the appropriate newsgroups.

>Glad you asked... many of your posts are very close to unreadable.

> I realize that
>English is not your native tounge,

which is majority of people who live on the earth I guess.

> which I certainly take into consideration.

and this is a typical American thinking isn't it ??

>Another example is below, you seem to be confused why people are looking
at what you
>have to offer yet not buying it or supporting it with donations.

> What does this mean
>to you m@s@?

> Lets think about it, people look at what you have to offer, yet they
>don't buy, hmmm.

they use it and they don't buy. it happens everywhere... including
sharewares and such. if you get a full version free, why do you give
a donation ?? that's why many restrict the use. when I write my

advanced study guide for Canadian amateurs (sometime soon... by the
end of next summer), I must restrict the use (maybe I can give out
first one or two pages ,out of 20 say, free) because of it. I didn't
like the idea of it, but I will have to do it next time
unfortunately...

>Did you consider perhaps that what they saw was not appealing to them?

> Furthermore,
>many of you posts are so outrageous that it makes your readers think your
either a
>troll or completly brain dead.

> For example your posts about wanting to talk to the
>local police on their frequency to "help them" or "thank them" for doing
such a nice
>job. Are you so stupid that this does not sound completly ignorant? With
your
>knowlege of radio, certainly you know this is not only illegal but could,
in certain
>circumstances, land your dumb ass in jail. Yet you continue with the same
kinds of
>stupid remarks and questions, then you ask "whats wrong with my posts"
well there
>you have it.

> Can you understand what I have written to you today m@s@?

I was very happy when some kind people helped me about antenna length
and such. When that happens, I always try to find out some other
articles that I can help with. It was unfortunate that majority of
articles were framing and complaining about my post [antenna length]
which didn't give me any positive.

Most of the articles in the newsgroups here, in general, are
unforunately don't do any good to the people out there. I may be
the one [articles], but I am trying to change it. This time, please
change your attitude.

Mr. Slime AKA M@S@
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E-mail : slime@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (General)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (McGill University)

Remove ".ham" to reply.

WARNING: I will not buy/response any products from unsolicited e-mails !!

75. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1662

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.971231234947.23016C-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182952

CB Bimbo wrote:
>someone@somewhere wrote:

>>Ok, I give up, what's an RCI 2900?

>Boy, you don't get around much, do you?
>
>"Where's that CB Bimbo?"

It's very difficult to know the make and model of every radio that
has been produced, past and present. For example, I'm awaiting
the arrive of a T-784A/GRC-109 transmitter - do you have any clue
as to what that might be? Sitting beside me is my trusty ol' Galaxy
GT-550 - can you tell me anything about it? Back in Hawaii I use
a WRL Globe Scout 65A - ever heard of one? On 10m CW I use a
TRC-415 - are you familiar with it? For 2m I have an HW-202
with an outboard GLB 400B - know anything about them?

Surely, Mr. Bimbo, you've answered "no" to all the above, so you must
now eat your own words: "Boy, you don't get around much, do you?"

Happy new year, Bimbo,
Jeff KH2PZ / 7

76. Re: Typhoon Tauzin

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980101100300.FAA23855@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182953

In article <68ejor$s49$1@usenet85.supernews.com>, "Robert F. Helvar"
<rf2h@hel2mail.net> writes:

>Tauzin has been quoted in some trade journals as
saying that all remaining
>field offices will be
closed, followed by a reduction of up 75 % in
>the
headquarters staff.

Looks like it's going to be a good season for outbanding and 10-meter
bootlegging. Hehehe ;-)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

77. Re: TRUNKER for Windows, any interest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Vaughan Murray <big-v@xtra.co.nz>
Message-ID: <68fn1t$6gn$1@wolfman.xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 182954
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

John "Chris" Wren wrote in message <34c97a0e.866035563@nntp.atlanta.com>...
>
> OK, I have a question for you scanner-heads out there. Would
>people be interested in a program similar to TRUNKER that runs under
>Windows?

Oh YES please!!!

If someone can find the time, and moreover get the puppy to work, then I'm more than willing to pay a little cash in exchange. One recommendation, please oh please don't use COM PORT 1 it's a real pain in the ass, cos it's used for other things such as me modem.

Ta (in advance),

big-v.

78. Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: rowdy_randy@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <34ac338e.903909@news.seidata.com>
Source record: 182955

Hello,
Is it not true that a person with an amateur radio license can monitor police radio traffic on a mobile scanner installed in a vehicle ? I have discussed this with someone and I know that I read this somewhere, but I don't remember where. I would like to find it in print to show this other person. HELP ?!

Thank you,
Randy
rwarner@seidata.com

79. Re: Going to Dayton

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <68g7jfhfd1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 182956

In article <68dm8mbfe1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>,
T.L. Bryant <tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com> wrote:
>>So, does anyone have any suggestions of where to stay in or around
>>Dayton.. the hotels that I've called are all full... I've also
>>looked though the Internet pages for Hotels, Motels and even
>>RV rentals and campgrounds... Not knowing the area , I'm hoping someone
>>can point me a sleeping location... Anyone know of a barn that hasn't
>>been rented?
>>
>>Thanks for any direction...
>>
>>Dennis N6NG
>>--
>>
>> 73... Dennis N6NG INTERNET: n6ng@sj.bigger.net
>> Retired: Just another road kill on the Information Highway.
>
>Try Cincinnati. It's about an hour away from Dayton. If you're flying, you may
>have to rent a car. There's shuttle service available at various hotels in
>Dayton, but I'm not sure anything goes that far south. If nothing is available
>in Cincinnati, then try Columbus. It's a little further, but it may be your
>best bet if everything is booked.
>--
>To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
>
>Tom - N8ECW
>

And with some faith in your fellow hams, it's always OK to post:

"Need extra room at Dayton - do you have one?"

People change plans all the time. Sometimes, it'll even work!
--
* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 80 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
* Charter member, Maryland Milliwatters * W3-VK on 3w mobile CW *
*** 301-549-1022 h / 301-982-1015 w ** Life is one big hamfest ***

80. Kenwood TS-570D band limit mod needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: daniel@pandora.lugs.org.sg
Message-ID: <68g544bap1@columbine.singnet.com.sg>
Source record: 182957
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi,

I am looking to limit the band edges of the TS-570D
to conform to the European models of the rig. As it is, the
rig is open on all the bands. I'd appreciate if someone
could send me information on how to perform this mod, or at
least point me to where I might procure such info. Thanks.

73 de 9V1ZV Daniel

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Daniel Wee	daniel@pandora.lugs.org.sg
9V1ZV	
QRP-L #667	9V1ZV@amsat.org
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81. Re: What does 55 mean?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Bienkowski <Billy@prima.de>
Message-ID: <34AB96ED.214BE67A@prima.de>
Source record: 182958

Joar Jacobsson schrieb:

> Does anyone know and wish to explain 55 to me?

Itï¿½s "viel Erfolg" only used in germany (!?). Itï¿½s something like "have success".

CU BiLLY (DB9DLH)

82. Re: libraries (was Re: ANTENNA LENGTH)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ab99c0.1564400@news.total.net>
Source record: 182959
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 07:58:32 GMT, "CW" <cw1@mci2000.com> wrote:

>I know I would'nt buy anything Mr. Slime,especially something I was
>expecting to learn something from.

then please do not download my stuffs in the first place.

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83. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ab9b54.1968414@news.total.net>
Source record: 182960
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 31 Dec 1997 22:10:01 -0700, CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com> wrote:

>Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> writes:

>: > jeff@centuryinter.net wrote:

>: > >If you invest your
>: > >time and a little effort in learning all that is required for ham
>: > >radio, you will get everything that is there to be had. If you don't,
>: > >buy a CB radio and stay out of the ham bands.

>: > So what bright comment to you have for those of us that have
>: > already done it and are still lobbying for an end to CW.

>: Ok--"You have no real grasp of the realities and consequences of such a
>: move" or "You're a real dim bulb!" or "You're not playing with a full
>: deck!" --should we continue?

>No, you've just made it very clear that you have absolutely no valid
>counter argument(s) to back up your position. But just what are the
>"consequenses" of eliminating the HF CW requirement?

pro-coders say that the "quality" of hams will drop.

they think that the hams on 80m (w/ 13WPM ?) are the wonderful
people now and they don't wanna see the band becomes like 2m with no
swearing and no music. too bad eh ????

> I never saw the
> bands above 30 MHz never turn into CB when the no-code technician class
>license was introduced.

and no-code technicians are the ones who actively participate in local
community activities and emergency communications.

> Sure, if you listen to the same VHF+ repeater for
>days you'll hear the same vegetating no-lifers talking about lawnmowers
>and grated cheese day after day.

better than music I guess.

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84. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ab9aa2.1789990@news.total.net>
Source record: 182961
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 10:59:17 -1000, Jim Reid <jreid@aloha.net> wrote:

>Look at the 2176 new Extra Class (20 wpm CW) license earners/upgrades
>just in the first 11 months of 1997 (W5YI Report).

is it about 0.000001% of US population ??

what a great number to show that the hams [extras ?] are increasing...

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85. Re: INTERNET NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ab9c91.2285300@news.total.net>
Source record: 182962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 15:37:11 -0700, RL <rayjl@worldnet.att.net> wrote:

>Right On!

what's right on about ??

>8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET wrote:

>> THIS ASPECT OF THE TEST HAS TURNED INTO NOTHING
>> MORE THAN MEMORIZING THE EXACT QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
>> AVAILABLE FROM MANY SOURCES.

I "memorized" CW (26 + 10 + some) and I passed the test in one day.
What a idiotic test... dots and dahs make good hams... eh... give
me a break.

It was much easier than memorizing 1000 questions, by the way...

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86. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34ABA379.F618458E@shore.net>
Source record: 182963
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

mike wrote:

> Gee If we kill the CW portions of the bands don't we give up the whole
> thing. I can operate CW almost ANYWHERE

There is nowhere in the US amateur spectrum where CW is not permitted. You can operate CW EVERYWHERE....

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j:) -=wk1v=-

87. Re: What does 55 mean?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Alex Holden <alex_holden@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <01bd16c0$4cb7fca0$LocalHost@al.bigalnet>
Source record: 182964

larry <lar01@sprynet.com> wrote in article
<34ab025f.52402198@news.sprynet.com>...
> I am not sure but, I think 55 is the hex equvelent to the number 73.
> It is just humour.
> Larry ve3fxq

Nope, 55(Hex)=85(Decimal)
73(Decimal)=49(Hex)
It's not Octal either.

> On 31 Dec 1997 12:27:52 GMT, e95_jja@elixir.e.kth.se (Joar Jacobsson)
> wrote:
>
> >Sometimes when having a CW QSO with german hams i get 73 and the code 55
at the end of the conversation.
> >
> >I simply want to know what that means.
> >I've asked several german hams, even in german; Was bedeutes 55?, byt I
have got no answer so far. I've also searched the net for lists of abbrevs,
mut the result is nil.
> >
> >Does anyone know and wish to explain 55 to me?

--

: Alex Holden- Electronics student, Caver, and Land Rover enthusiast. :
: http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Lab/1532/ :
------------ Linux- The choice of a GNU generation. -----------------

88. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68g8o8$s4e$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182965

In article <68f04u$4o3$4@news.mhv.net>, <Tom@astro.net> wrote:

> I actually agree with you. I wouldn't mind if they increased the questions
>on each test by say 15-20. I think haveing to know more technical info is far
>more important than having to do a code test. I'm currently trying to get to
>13wpm so I can upgrade to general (from Tech plus).

Hello Tom,

You'll find that most pro-code advocates agree with your synopsis above.
I have found almost no people (on either side of the code test issue)
who think the existing theory examinations are "sufficient". I think
most people (again, both sides) believe that the technical content is
sufficient or needs to be modified slightly, but the delivery mechanism
is all wrong (how many colleges do you know that give you your final
exam questions and answers at the start of your classes, and let you
"pass" the class by taking and passing the exam whenever you want?)

I, for instance, would like to see the examination process privatized
and run similar to the SAT testing system. No exact pre-published question
pools, just study guides (with sample questions/answers) similar to SATs.

Even though most of the No-Code Agenda agrees the theory testing structure
is broken, they steadfastly refuse to adopt a position of mutual cooperation
with many in the pro-code camp to work together and "fix" the theory
examinations. Once the theory examination structure is fixed, many in the
pro-code camp (myself included) would actively support elimination or
reduction in the code examination.

There is another vein of thought within the pro-code camp that the code
test should be maintained to promote a common mode of communications between
all hams. Morse represents the least technical, simplist method to use.
While there certainly is logic to this argument, I personally don't agree
with it as use of any mode within the amateur service is optional, and
requiring a 'common mode' is pointless unless you are also going to require
people to own gear and operate it regularly.

Welp, that's enough for now.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

89. Re: Puns-why not

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34ABADFE.AC0BFF15@shore.net>
Source record: 182966

Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:

> Two atoms were walking down the street and one turned to the other and
> said "I think I just lost an electron" The second atom asked, "Are you
> sure?". The first replied.'I'm positive!"
>
> A neutron walks into a bar and asks,"How much for a beer?". The
> barkeeper replies,"For you, no charge!"
>
> Two Eskimos are hunting from their kayak. After a while they get a bit
> chillily and build a fire. Of course, the kayak sinks and they drown.
> The moral of all this..
>
> YOU CAN'T HAVE YOUR KAYAK AND HEAT IT TOO

Hey Steve....

Two-thirds of PUN is P-U.

--
j:) -=wk1v=-

90. Re: if cw were dropped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34ABAC0E.E95E9EE9@shore.net>
Source record: 182967

jr2@usaor.nett wrote:

> OK Larry. I am not a perponant of CW, but, if CW was eliminated from
> the amateur radio tests the ham bands would be flooded with bull crap
> just like the 11 mtr. band.
>
> I have been a Tech+ since 1974, I just can't get the 13 WPM down enough
> to pass the General.
>
> Enjoy your New Year Holiday
>
> Jim

Perponant? What that mean?
--
jim:) -=wk1v=-

91. Mr. Bill Cheek

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abb1d3.7728592@news.total.net>
Source record: 182968
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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I found an interesting newsgroup:

alt.fan.bill.cheek

I suggest you to take frames against Mr. Bill Cheek to this newsgroup,
not in this newsgroup.

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92. Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: algo@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <68gcg5bo1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182969

When I was a young larva in the 1950's, I had a Heathkit AR-3 that I used to listen to for hours. Listening to hams on AM built my interest in ham radio, and in 1962, in my pupae stage (age 14) I got a novice license, and soon later a general. Most of my peers at that time got started in this way. We had little or no initial exposure to VHF.

It recently occurred to me that the present use of SSB makes it very challenging for a SWL with listen in on ham radio, if they can listen at all, with modest receiving equipment.

As a result, I think that fewer SWLs are exposed to the next step, becoming licensed. Instead, those who are newly licensed these days get their first exposure in some other way.

It would be interesting to hear anecdotes as to how people first got inspired to get a license.

73, and Happy New Year, Ray, K1XV

93. Re: Chaos and self-policing

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg Dean <n9nwo@gte.net>
Message-ID: <68gfdl$g5s$1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182970

Doug, N0LKK wrote:
>
> Hello,
> In my humble opinion. The self policing was intended to happen at the
> individual level. The individual amateur understanding an respecting
> the regulations, with those in a local peer group applying the necessary
> pressure to curtail poor operating. 75M and 14.313 aside, all in all
> the amateur community DOES do a fine job of self policing. The other
> communities of individuals that I can think of who have done as well
> using peer pressure are the Hunting and fishing groups Any other
> policing should have to be at the done by those who have the lawful
> authority to enforce, the FCC. any thing else will be vigilante rule.
>
> 73, Doug N0LKK

A couple of thoughts.

We live in a society that lacks self discipline. To ask government to perform functions that we are unwilling to ourselves, is to ask for rebellion. Americans no longer understand freedom and rights require self discipline, duty and obligation. This is reflected in the problems that we see within amateur radio.

Regulatory agencies, like the FCC, should not have enforcement power. We see problems with agencies such the IRS, ATF and FAA where either rules are made and enforced by the same people or enforcement is neglected. We have 17 law enforcement agencies at the federal level. We need only three: Marshalls/FBI, Secret Service and DOD. Secret Service can do anything concerning taxes or licenses (like FCC), the Marshall/FBI can do all the rest and DOD will do everything, borders out (including border patrol).

Vigilante rule is on the rise. Folks no longer trust the courts to perform their duties. Hell, a rich white guy can get divorced then have his ex-wife come back into court in front of the same judge and get a total reversal. If rich white guys can't get justice, who can? Black folks in the intercities are using self justice (vigilantes) rather than using the courts and the justice system. As I said, self discipline has broken down in America.

94. Re: Typhoon Tauzin

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg Dean <n9nwo@gte.net>
Message-ID: <68ggcbgrg1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182971
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Robert F. Helvar wrote:
>
> Whether this specific information is true or not,
> Tauzin's staff has continued from time to time in
> off the record statements to indicate that acute
> mismanagement, particularly in CIB, will cause the
> agency's downfall and ultimate elimination.
>
> Tauzin has been quoted in some trade journals as
> saying that all remaining field offices will be
> closed, followed by a reduction of up 75 % in the
> headquarters staff.
>
> Grossly inflated salaries and no valid mission for the
> CIB are additional reasons whey the agency's days
> are numbered.
>
> My advice to agency employees is to prepare your
> resume, no matter how pathetic it looks after you've
> spent so many years doing nothing for extravagant
> salaries.
>
> KEEP AN EYE ON TYPHOON TAUZIN, he's coming
> your way FCC!

I think the biggest mistake we make is not remembering the wisdom
of the founders. Policy making was to be Congress' responsiblity
while enfocement was the President's duty.

Enforcement should be seperate from regulatory power. There are
over 17 law enforcement agencies at the Federal level. Look, the
Secret Service could enforce all tax laws to include income, customs
and excise (guns, tobacco and alcohol). It could also enforce
regulations for federal licensing such as the FCC. This is on top of
its duties of protecting the president and the treasury.

The the Marshalls service and the FBI should be merged, with the FBI
being the CID of the service. DEA, forestry, Parks service and such
would also be merged. The Marshalls service then have responsiblity
for protecting all government buildings (Secret Service protects people).
Anything other than taxes or license violations would be enforced by
the US Marshalls.

DOD would have responsiblity for borders out. Merge the Border Patrol into the US Army. Make the CIA an DOD agency.

But remember, those who make the rules usually do a poor job of enforcing them. Either they are too heavy handed like the IRS or ATF or not enough like the FCC or FAA.

95. Re: Going to Dayton

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg Dean <n9nwo@gte.net>
Message-ID: <68ggfdgrg2@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182972

Darrell Berg wrote:
>
> Dennis Jacobson <n6ng@sj.bigger.net> wrote in article
> <34A9EAB2.575A@sj.bigger.net>...
> > But now that I've decided to go, I find that there is "no room at
> > the inn". And in any other case, (especially at this time of the
> > season) it wouldn't bother me, being in good company. But if I don't
> > go in '98 I'll probably not try this trip again...
> >
> > So, does anyone have any suggestions of where to stay in or around
> > Dayton.. the hotels that I've called are all full... I've also
> > looked though the Internet pages for Hotels, Motels and even
> > RV rentals and campgrounds... Not knowing the area , I'm hoping someone
> > can point me a sleeping location... Anyone know of a barn that hasn't
> > been rented?
> >
> > Thanks for any direction...
> >
> > Dennis N6NG
> > --
> >
> > 73... Dennis N6NG INTERNET: n6ng@sj.bigger.net
> > Retired: Just another road kill on the Information Highway.
> >
>
> Last year I went to Dayton with no advance res. or even any idea
> of where to look and only had to go to 3 or 4 motels before I found
> a room at the best western out just north of the air force base.
>
> I forget what suburb of Dayton this is but call best western or I'll
> bet they even have a web page.
>
> Darrell

Since I have a sister living in Miamisberg (home of Drake), I never
have a problem.

96. Site FTP for my programm ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jean-Philippe <jpp@aix.pacwan.net>
Message-ID: <34ABBA2A.3CF6@aix.pacwan.net>
Source record: 182973

Hello

I make a locator programm fot WIN95 (locator/geographicals coordinates,
data bank call sign, city, country... and a worl map location) and
I want to put my shareware programm on FTP (Zipped 2 Mo)
Do you know a site it can to receive my programm ?
Thank you very much for you help.
Best regards 73's and Happy News Year 98 !

Jean-Philippe
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PUGLIESE Jean-Philippe / // /_/_// /_/_/
Emails : jpp@aix.pacwan.net __ / // / / /
jpax@hotmail.com /_/_/_//_/ /_/ PELICAN SOFTWARES
Packet : F1USC@F6KED.FPCA.FRA.EU
ICQ : 3822032 IRC : JPHILIPPE (#France)
Tamtam : 06.01.24.08.38 (URL : http://www.tamtam.tm.fr)
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97. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abc5f8.164334@news.total.net>
Source record: 182974
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 01:25:09 -0800, "Ted Lee"
<amway@nospam.rogers.wave.ca> wrote:

>I first spend $400 Cdn to purchase that radio.

I bought it for $299.

>Next month it was on sale for $329, I should of waited,

RS reimburses you a price difference if within 30 days (I always buy
a stuff when it's on sale. It's usual to see $100-$150 discount on
certain products).

RS Canada sells a card that gives you a 10% discount on anything from
regular price at $15 I think. If you buy something over $100, you
will get the card free.

If something is priced $400, you will able to get it $360 instead.

Many people don't know this... just a tip from "cutie boy" :)

>Brought it in again for repairs. This time the warranty ran out. So it cost
>me $120 to fix.

>Waited four months. Replace more chips, at my cost, no labour cost since
>under repair 90 day warranty. Cost me an other $90.

>I listen about 200 minutes for every minute transmitted!!

>My old 2nd hand Kenwood TR-7800 works great, never had a program.

I realize some of the RS stuffs don't work after a couple of days.
It happened to me a couple of times... but usually these things
happen in first 30 days and can be replaced very easily.

Make sure you buy an extend warranty on high priced products.
My HTX-202 went to repair for a couple of times and I got a new one.
If I had no extended warranty, my HTX-202 just became a garbage (202
comes only 90 day warranty).

>Here my brand new HTX-212 spending more time in the shop that actual usage!

I am using HTX-242. Seems it's working OK.

>I have a HTX-202, works great, along with my ICOM IC-02AT which I've been
>using 320 days a year since 1989.

>no problems with voltage, or swr.

> So why did the HTX-212 fail me twice?

you didn't have a luck.

>So next time, buy the extended warranty for Radio Shack radios.

depends on what you purchase though...

I don't buy any extended warranties on scanners... but I do buy it
on amateur stuffs.

>never again to buy a Radio Shack mobile.

My 242 is working OK. My 202 wasn't working OK.
kinda opposite eh ??

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98. Re: Stories From Our Novice Days -- Please Add Your Own Here

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <68ghdf$2ja$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182975

In article <349FCB3E.41C6@csc.com>, pbingham@csc.com says...
>
>James F. Chumbley wrote:
>>
>> Two True Stories From WN5FAF
>>
>> .....
>>
>> Regards,
>> Jim Chumbley, N6UF (ex-WN5FAF)

One true story here Jim.....

I was 11 years old and had been studying my code and theory for weeks. My Elmer, Carl, K7CUZ (SK), lived two doors down the same street and and was a teacher at our Jr High School, helped a small group of us Jr High School kids learn code before school in the mornings. After weeks of study, the big day came and I passed the code test no problem. Then the theory test was passed and I was one very happy kid. I ran right home and called my Grandpa W6DWC with the good news. He was delighted and shipped me a used transmitter the same day. The Johnson Viking Adventurer arrived a few days later, before the license arrived, along with the parts to make a 40 meter end fed wire antenna. So, I put up the antenna but was afraid to try it out because the license had not arrived yet. Then I saw an article in QST where someone was using a 50 watt lightbulb as a dummy load. Naturally, I had to see if my new transmitter would work so I soldered a 50 watt light bulb to a short piece of RG58 and a coax connector to the other end. When I tried it out, it worked great. The lightbulb lit up to medium brightness and got brighter when I tuned up the transmitter with the only crystal I had. Well, as kids will do, I started keying the transmitter and sending "practice cq's. I didn't have my own call yet so I used my Elmers call, K7CUZ. Sure enough...about 5 minutes after my first cq I got a phone call. It was Carl, K7CUZ. He wanted to know what I thought I was doint calling cq with his call. I explained what I was doing, with a bright red face, and Carl explained that my lightbulb signal was VERY strong at his QTH just 3 doors away. I apologized profusely and promised to leave the transmitter turned OFF until my license arrived.

Well, that's my story. Oh yes, the license arrived two days later and KN7RMJ was on the air for the first time with a REAL antenna.

Regards to all, hats off to all Elmers,

and particularly fond memories of Carl, K7CUZ

Frank...K7RMJ dit..dit

99. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abca8d.1338022@news.total.net>
Source record: 182976
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 1 Jan 1998 09:20:56 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
(Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>Hello Tom,

>You'll find that most pro-code advocates agree with your synopsis above.

>I have found almost no people (on either side of the code test issue)
>who think the existing theory examinations are "sufficient".

it's ok.

not many people are interested in amateur radio anyway. if they know
the basic, why not invite them ??

> I think
>most people (again, both sides) believe that the technical content is
>sufficient or needs to be modified slightly, but the delivery mechanism
>is all wrong (how many colleges do you know that give you your final
>exam questions and answers at the start of your classes, and let you
>"pass" the class by taking and passing the exam whenever you want?)

>I, for instance, would like to see the examination process privatized
>and run similar to the SAT testing system. No exact pre-published question
>pools, just study guides (with sample questions/answers) similar to SATs.

If we TEST them, they will not come. If we INVITE them, they will
come.
Believe it. Not many people are looking for using CW or anyway of
amateur radio communication as a method of communicating.

It is fortunate that old foggies who are in charge of deciding what's
required are becoming silent keys. The old day's thinking is NOT
valid in today's society.

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100. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34abc84f.763867@news.total.net>
Source record: 182977
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
wrote:

>One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave oven already
>leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general public seems
>comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two decades, in spite
>of their leakage (which used to be worse).

maybe I should put some kinda metals around it then... :-)

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101. Re: WS19 and other greats!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34abc8dd.19741348@news1.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 182978
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,uk.vintage.radio,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,uk.radio.amateur

On Fri, 26 Dec 1997 13:44:29 +0000, Trevor Day
<trev@southwestuk.demon.co.uk> wrote:

>In article <34a326c7.19957305@news.mnsinc.com>, Bry
><bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com> writes
>>The following comes from the 19 Set Web Page at:
>>http://www.webspawner.com/users/BoredbyBob/
>>
>>Some of you BA ops may want to check out their net!!
>>
>>Be sure to visit the CCF Radio Web Pages at:
>>
>>http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/ham/ccfradio.htm
>>
>>= =
>>
>>19 Set Net Report -- December 1997
>> By Dave Lawrence, VA3ORP
>> email va3orp@kos.net
>Snip
>>
>>4. Upcoming Events.
>>
>>a. 13, 20 & 27 Dec - Trans-Atlantic Sked. This is being
>>organized between the "19 Set Group" and the Italian "Army
>>rig Operators Club"s. Procedures will be as outlined in
>>"PROCEDURES - 19 SET GROUP - CW NET (ver 2.2, 11 Sep 97)".
>>Additional details are as follows:
>>Time/Freq: 0500-0530Z on 7005 KHz
>>0530-0600Z on 3705 KHz
>>Net Control: VA3ORP (Dave, 20 Km NE of Kingston)
>>Mode: A1 (CW) at 12 WPM
>>North American stations will be called in beginning at
>>0445Z. Trans-Atlantic work to start at 0500Z. Net Control
>>Station will be using modern equipment with 100 watts and
>>both vertical and horizontal antennae available. NOTE: THIS
>>IS A DIRECTED NET! Participating station to be on time and
>>on frequency. Priority will be given to 19 Sets as the
>>objective of this sked is to complete a trans-atlantic 19
>>Set/19 Set QSO. Propagation should be good for the 13th and
>>27th but is forecast to be very noisy on the 20th.
>Snip
>

>Have I missed something here Bry?
>I remember making several transatlantic QSOs on 40m CW in the early 70s
>using a 19 set and a piece of wire tied to a brick thrown out of a two
>story window to the grass below. (The brick not the 19 set!!!)
>I am sure I am not the only one to have done this.
>Seasons greetings!
>73 Trev ...-.-

Hello Trev!

Good to see you on here!
At least someone responded, eh?

Well, the lads doing the Trans-Atlantic tests with 19 sets don't
claim to be doing anything new or unique... I think they just want to
have a bit of fun with the old beasts!!

Maybe you can e-mail to them, and tell them about your similar
experiences back then.

Perhaps it's possible thoughth, that you didn't work, "19 set to 19
set" across the Atlantic back then, so this still MIGHT be a first!

Grin!

T'rah - Bry, G3XLQ / AF4K

(A Transatlantic type myself!)

102. Re: **Please tell me about YOUR mobile APRS**

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-01 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ab77f6.959212@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182979

What is it that you are tryiing to accomplish? for example, are you
trying to put together a mobile aprs station and want to know how to
do it? I have not done it, so far, but, if interested, I can relay
your questions to a few amateurs, in this area, who are well versed in
this technology.
Larry ve3fxq

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 22:05:57 -0500, Steve S <kf4nnq@hotmail.com>
wrote:

>There are a few of us trying to get going with mobile APRS. We'd like to
>take a common approach to help each other with integration issues.
>Anyone having luck with DeLorme, TAPR, or other equipment, share your
>stories with me. Email or post is fine.
>
>Thanks
>73,
>Steve
>KF4NNQ

103. In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: michelc@jeeves.be
Message-ID: <68gp4d$b48$1@xenon.inbe.net>
Source record: 182790
Cross-posted to: bit.listserv.c370-l,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.lang.c

/* This C program runs in MS-DOS, in remembrance of MORSE,
officially deceased the 1 January 1998. */

```
#include <dos.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>
#define NUL '\0'
#define FREQ 900U /* unsigned frequency (in Hertz) */
#define TU 80U /* unsigned time_unit (in ♦seconds) */

void dot(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(TU); nosound(); }

void dash(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(3*TU); nosound(); }

void delim(unsigned int n)
{ /* space between the signals forming the same letter = 1 TU
space between two letters = 3 TU's
space between two words = 7 TU's */
delay(n*TU);
}

void main(void)
{
int c;
size_t i, j;
char user_input[81];
char *ptrs[256];

memset(ptrs, '\x00', 256 * sizeof(char *));
ptrs['A'] = ".-"; ptrs['N'] = "-."; ptrs['1'] = ".----";
ptrs['B'] = "-..."; ptrs['O'] = "---"; ptrs['2'] = "..---";
ptrs['C'] = "-.-."; ptrs['P'] = ".--."; ptrs['3'] = "...--";
ptrs['D'] = "-.."; ptrs['Q'] = "--.-"; ptrs['4'] = "....-";
ptrs['E'] = "."; ptrs['R'] = ".-."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
ptrs['F'] = "..-."; ptrs['S'] = "..."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
ptrs['G'] = "--."; ptrs['T'] = "-"; ptrs['6'] = "-....";
ptrs['H'] = "...."; ptrs['U'] = "..-"; ptrs['7'] = "--...";
ptrs['I'] = ".."; ptrs['V'] = "...-"; ptrs['8'] = "---..";
ptrs['J'] = ".---"; ptrs['W'] = ".--"; ptrs['9'] = "----.";
ptrs['K'] = "-.-"; ptrs['X'] = "-..-"; ptrs['0'] = "-----";
ptrs['L'] = ".-.."; ptrs['Y'] = "-.--";
ptrs['M'] = "--"; ptrs['Z'] = "--..";
ptrs['+'] = ".-.-."; ptrs['-'] = "-....-"; ptrs['='] = "-...-";
ptrs['/'] = "-..-."; ptrs['?'] = "..--.."; ptrs['\''] = ".----.";
ptrs['.'] = ".-.-.-"; ptrs[','] = "--..--"; ptrs[':'] = "---...";
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```
printf("Enter some data followed by EOF (i.e. Ctrl+Z):\n");
for (i = 0; (c = getchar()) != EOF; i++)
{ user_input[i] = c; }
user_input[i] = NUL;

for (i = 0; i < strlen(user_input); i++)
{ char morse[] = {'\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0'};

if ( isalnum(user_input[i]) || user_input[i] == '+'
|| user_input[i] == '-' || user_input[i] == '='
|| user_input[i] == '/' || user_input[i] == '?'
|| user_input[i] == '\'' || user_input[i] == '.'
|| user_input[i] == ',' || user_input[i] == ':' )
strncpy(morse, ptrs[toupper(user_input[i])], 6);

printf("%c = %s\n", user_input[i], morse);

if ( morse[0] == NUL )
delim(7);
else { for (j = 0; j < strlen(morse); j++)
{ switch ( morse[j] )
{ case '-': dash(); delim(1); break;
case '.': dot(); delim(1);
}
}
delim(2); /* delim(1 + 2) */
}
}

}
```

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104. Re: Carl Stevenson

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1711$037dc960$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182791

DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com> wrote in article
<01bd1631$6790e6c0$0d8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>...
> Seig Heil ... sick thinking.
>
> > There are others like Carl out there. When we bring enough of these
> > like-minded persons together, we will rise up -- rise up and dominate!
>

David et al ... don't make the mistake of associating me with the
obviously screwball post that you quiote from above.

All I want is to modernize ham technical and licensing rules so
that the service may stand a chance of survival for the young
grandsons I just spent a week visiting.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

105. Re: Mr. Bill Cheek

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: thecbguy@iname.com
Message-ID: <34ac3def.1292048@news.det.ameritech.net>
Source record: 182792
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 15:11:33 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>I found an interesting newsgroup:
>
>alt.fan.bill.cheek
>
>
>I suggest you to take frames against Mr. Bill Cheek to this newsgroup,
>not in this newsgroup.
>
Very Funny Masa...pretending to mispronounce your "L" even while typing.....

>
>_____
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>_____
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The Cb Guy

http://www.ameritech.net/users/thecbguy/cbradio.htm

106. ** New England Ham - Electronic Fleamarket Dates ** January ** Update

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: w1gsl@mit.edu
Message-ID: <68hdcn$ah8@senator-bedfellow.MIT.EDU>
Source record: 182793
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info,sci.electronics.misc,sci.electronics.equipment,ne.forsale

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New England Area Ham - Electronic Flea Market *** DATES *** 1998 P 1 of 2
All events are Ham Radio/ Electronic related except ~_____~
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1998 Contact Source
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10 Jan Marathon NY SkylineARC Barbara KB2TIK 607 849 6751 A

17 Jan Nashua NH NE Antique RC $5@8 $1@9 @ Res Ctr Church 617 923 2665

18 Jan Yonkers NY Metro70 Otto WB2SLQ 914 969 1053 A

7 Feb E Hartford Vintage R Museum 1173 Main @church $12/s@8 860 675 9916 F

7 Feb Chelsea ME AARA @CrystalFalls Hall Rt 17+226 Bill K1NIT 207 623 9075 M+

14 Feb Marlborough MA AARC @midSch $3@10 $15/s@8 $12bef2/8 Ann 508 481 4988 F

22 Feb Westford MA Radio XXIX @Regency Antique $5@8 Lisa 978 371 0512

22 Feb Freeport NY LIMARC Richie N2WJL 516 520 9311 A

28 Feb Milton VT NVT WinterHamfest @HS $3@8 ti145.15 Mitch W1SJ 802 879 6589 F

1 Mar Westfield MA MtTomARA @Middle Sch $12/T@8 $3@9 Lou N1LZD 888 348 9644 +

7 March Lewiston ME ANDY @ Ramada $10/T@6:30 $5@8 Ivan N1OXA 207 784 0350 M+

8 Mar Lindenhurst NY GSBARC + SCRC $20/T@7 $6@9 Tom N2MIG 516 957 5988 W+

14 Mar Gardner MA MARC Auction @10 @AmLegion ElmSt Paul W1SEX 978 632 9432

21 March Hudson NH IRS @Lions $10/T@6:30 $2@8 brunelle@tiac.net 603 881 5796 +

22 March Yonkers NY WECA Thomas WB2NHC 914 741 6606 A

22 March Bristol CT ICRC@EastHS pcb@connix.com Pete N1QDQ 860 620 0176 +

28,29 March Timonium MD William N3WD 410 HAM FEST A

29 Mar Southington CT SARA @HS $15/T@6:30 NoTG $4@9 Chet KA1ILH 860 628 9346 F

4 April Twin Mt NH LARK+NCARC @TownHall Richard WB1ASL 603 788 4428 A+

4 April Waterford CT RASoN Auction Mark N1RSK 860 444 5448 A+

5 April Framingham MA @ HS $14@7:30 $10tg $3@9 Bev N1LOO 508 626 2012 F

18 Ap Nashua NH NE Antique RC $5@8 $1@9 @ Res Ctr Church 617 923 2665 F
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19 April Flea at MIT Nick 617 253 3776 F
Third Sunday -- April thru October

25 April W Greenwhich RI WC+F ARCs @FireS $6@7 b@9 Bill WA1WM 401 822 0520

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5 Sept Windsor ME AARA @Fairground $4@8 Beau N1REX 207 623 4730

12 Sept BallstonSpa NY SCRACES fri 6P $4-5+15camp Darlene N2XQG 518 587 2385

12 Sept Windsor ME AARA @Fairground $4@8 Frank N1ITR 207 623 9217 M+

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107. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: al7dl@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102021401.VAA26124@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182794

So, Masa, what is the point of this irrelevant post??? Thought you stated in an earlier post that you were going to try to avoid more irrelevant postings such as this. Not sure what this has to do with rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bryce, K1GAX (ex AL7DL)

108. Canada Professional Operator's Certificate Study Guide On Line !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ac4eb2.35172194@news.total.net>
Source record: 182795
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

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Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
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Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
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Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

109. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: rsirois@stny.lrun.com
Message-ID: <34ac4bdc.30435260@news-server>
Source record: 182796

On 29 Dec 1997 18:18:08 GMT, kb9kyy@indy.net (Brad Wilmot) wrote:

>I am just sickened by the "No Coders Bashing" Telling everyone that
>people who didn't learn morse code to get their licenses should not be
>allowed on the air. I am a blind, teenage ham, who cannot afford HF
>equipment, and I really don't want it. I wanted to get into ham radio to
>experiment in the UPPER bands, not HF. I don't want to get into something
>I don't like. That's everyone's right, and you no-code bashers are taking
>away that right. It'd be different if we took away the theory requirement
>and opened up ham radio like CB, we'd get all kinds of nutcases in here.
>You seem to be forgetting that us No-coders took the same theory tests YOU
>did.
>
>Can't we all just get along?

Brad,
You can't afford HF and don't want it. I don't see any need for you
to learn code. HOWEVER, I'm all for the code requirements for HF use, I'm a
Tech-Plus who is struggling to get to 13, and I'll do it, for my General
(already passed the theory). WHEN I finally get it, the work and effort
involved will make that license particularly valuable to me....

-==*>Ray - KC2AYO<*==-

In the grander scheme of things, the
historical value of what we have done
here is nil. -- proverb
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110. ** New England Ham - Electronic Fleamarket Dates ** January ** Update

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: w1gsl@mit.edu
Message-ID: <68hhk4$bef@senator-bedfellow.MIT.EDU>
Source record: 182797
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info,sci.electronics.misc,sci.electronics.equipment,ne.forsale

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17 Jan Nashua NH NE Antique RC $5@8 $1@9 @ Res Ctr Church 617 923 2665

18 Jan Yonkers NY Metro70 Otto WB2SLQ 914 969 1053 A

7 Feb E Hartford Vintage R Museum 1173 Main @church $12/s@8 860 675 9916 F

7 Feb Chelsea ME AARA @CrystalFalls Hall Rt 17+226 Bill K1NIT 207 623 9075 M+

14 Feb Marlborough MA AARC @midSch $3@10 $15/s@8 $12bef2/8 Ann 508 481 4988 F

22 Feb Westford MA Radio XXIX @Regency Antique $5@8 Lisa 978 371 0512

22 Feb Freeport NY LIMARC Richie N2WJL 516 520 9311 A

28 Feb Milton VT NVT WinterHamfest @HS $3@8 ti145.15 Mitch W1SJ 802 879 6589 F

1 Mar Westfield MA MtTomARA @Middle Sch $12/T@8 $3@9 Lou N1LZD 888 348 9644 +

7 March Lewiston ME ANDY @ Ramada $10/T@6:30 $5@8 Ivan N1OXA 207 784 0350 M+

8 Mar Lindenhurst NY GSBARC + SCRC $20/T@7 $6@9 Tom N2MIG 516 957 5988 W+

14 Mar Gardner MA MARC Auction @10 @AmLegion ElmSt Paul W1SEX 978 632 9432

21 March Hudson NH IRS @Lions $10/T@6:30 $2@8 brunelle@tiac.net 603 881 5796 +

22 March Yonkers NY WECA Thomas WB2NHC 914 741 6606 A

22 March Bristol CT ICRC@EastHS pcb@connix.com Pete N1QDQ 860 620 0176 +

28,29 March Timonium MD William N3WD 410 HAM FEST A

29 Mar Southington CT SARA @HS $15/T@6:30 NoTG $4@9 Chet KA1ILH 860 628 9346 F

4 April Twin Mt NH LARK+NCARC @TownHall Richard WB1ASL 603 788 4428 A+

4 April Waterford CT RASoN Auction Mark N1RSK 860 444 5448 A+

5 April Framingham MA @ HS $14@7:30 $10tg $3@9 Bev N1LOO 508 626 2012 F

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Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <scZq.1848$VK3.1943129@news1.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182798
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote in message <34abfdc9.14456277@news.total.net>...
>According to some sources, Microsoft purchased the company, Hotmail, a
>free e-mail provider, as of December 31, 1997.
>
>
>What do you think about this ??
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>_____
>
>Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
>Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
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That doesn't bother me as much as the millions he is planning on investing in low orbiting satellite systems. His entry into celluar and satellite communications is the first step in a microsoft globally controlled communications network that could have far reaching consequences for amateur radio in that it will need a lot of spectrum to be profitable.

Bill Gates has always been a visionary but unfortunely his vision may not include Amateur Radio if it conflicts with his interest and affects his profit margins.

KF4HMN

112. Yaesu FT-8100 Mods?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Robert <robert@cmsi.net>
Message-ID: <01bd172f$dc768ae0$5a641dce@cmsi.internet-max>
Source record: 182799

I am looking for any mods to a Yaesu FT-8100R. Please email me at
robert@cmsi.net.

73's
Robert, N6ILC

113. Re: Need weather satellite frequenties !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: tcj@xs4all.nl
Message-ID: <68hnlk$4sa$1@news2.xs4all.nl>
Source record: 182800
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.space,nl.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Xsubmarine@airnet.netY (CRT) wrote:

>The internet has all satellite photo's. Why bother with that stuff?

<retorical mode on>
Ever tried to get on the internet from 9 degrees 5 minutes West,
50 degrees 5 minutes North ?
<retorical mode off>

tcj@xs4all.nl

114. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102040601.XAA14232@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182801

In article <34AC491A.5763A1F4@mindspring.com>, Phil Heaton
<ke4krt@mindspring.com> writes:

> Hmmm, I just flipped by 160m, 80m, 40m 30m, etc and
heard a BUNCH of
>Morse being banged out. It didn't sound too
dead to me...

No, but most of the operators soon will be. Old age takes it's toll.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

115. Re: Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102041101.XAA12503@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182802

>Listening to hams on AM built my
>interest in ham radio,

>It recently occurred to me that the present use of SSB makes it very
>challenging for a SWL with listen in on ham radio, if they can listen
>at all, with modest receiving equipment.

>As a result, I think that fewer SWLs are exposed to the next step,

I think you are correct. I hope that the increasing number of inexpensive all-band portables that do have ssb capability will help reintroduce swl's to ham radio.

My introduction to shortwave, and ham radio, came from some unknown old console multiband radio. My older brother was interested in the new "stereo" music. To improve his speakers, he purchased a huge ol' something from Goodwill Industries, stripped the cabinet of the 24" speaker, pitched the woodwork, and somehow I got the electronics sans knobs, dial indicator, or any other incumberances.

I spent hours listening to tone packs, thinking they were airplanes and expecting the pilot to speak at any minute! Being very close to the Naval Sub. Radio Station, North Severn, MD, made for tuff listening! It was 1963.

That Christmas my folks gave me a Heathkit GR-91 receiver kit. My dad and I began assembly that day, and finished in a coupla more. What a thrill to have that beauty-- with hi-tech sliderule dial- setting on my nite stand. Sleep was banished from my life for the next several months! An antenna was strung out the window, up to the 3rd floor of the house, out across the roof, and at great risk to life and limb, attached to the chimney. This rig had a BFO, and I heard cw for the first time! And AM 'phone, too. Soon a Q-Multiplier was added.

I didn't meet my first Ham until 1969.
I was licensed in 1970.

KMB

p.s. When I came home from college one weekend to announce my engagement, the gift my folks gave me and my intended was a srereo amplifier kit from Lafayette Radio. Again with the all-niter as my bride to be and I worked straight thru to finish the kit by the end of the weekend! Trial by fire. Even knowing this dark secret about me, we were married 29 years ago. When I hear other hams mention a hostile or indifferent or jealous wife, I think back to my first ham station. It was on the nitestand, next to our bed!

116. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102042201.XAA16487@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182803

In article <34ABE653.6754@ruraltel.net>, "Doug, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
writes:

>Good Lord,
Whatever happen to "REASONABLE" Suspicition?? .

If the officer has "suspicion", it is a "reasonable" guess that you will be cited. Sure, you can fight it...but good luck getting up the $$$ for legal counsel and time off of work. Meanwhile, the government has the unlimited resources of your tax dollars to use against you. Welcome to America in 1998.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

117. User Group Nets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: mdonohue@renc.igs.net
Message-ID: <34ac6055.830008@news.igs.net>
Source record: 182804

Hi:
Some years ago Kenwood and Yaesu User
Group Nets existed around 14.313. I have not
heard them on lately. Have they gone by the
wayside or changed freq and or timings. Any
help would be greatly appreciated. Tnx

73 De Mike
VE3DMJ

118. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102045401.XAA18476@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182805

In article <ebfp6czF9GA.103@upnetnews03>, "Alan Anderson"
<James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com> writes:

>As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with
>amateur
licenses anyway.....

What makes you think they'd WANT licenses?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

119. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34AC7D93.372018C8@mindspring.com>
Source record: 182806

CBRambo wrote:
>
>
> No, but most of the operators soon will be. Old age takes it's toll.
>

Whose more apt' to be dead first?

1. CW operator running 25wpm..
2. CB operator drinking 25 beers a day..

What's more useless?

1. CBRambo's posts..
2 HF rig in a NO-CODE's shack...

Phil
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Phil Heaton
ke4krt@mindspring.com
http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

120. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102054301.AAA24713@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182807

In article <34AC7D93.372018C8@mindspring.com>, Phil Heaton
<ke4krt@mindspring.com> writes:

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>operator drinking 25 beers a day..

What's more useless?

1. CBRambo's
>posts..
2 HF rig in a NO-CODE's shack...

#1 from the first group. CW operator running 25WPM.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

121. Re: Code Free Access to HF? - Not in Your Lifetime

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <68hvtu$s1p$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182808

>Only when the other party "attacks" first, as was the case here. Don't you
>think it looks pretty foolish when someone (like the party in question here)
>attempts to come off as an expert opinion on radio regulations, but yet cannot
>even compose a simple sentence that is free of errors?
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I looked at the message, and all it said was that old excuses weren't working, so now they're trying some new ones. Oh yeah, that's a real "attack" that only someone as sharp as you would recognize as an "expert" opinion.(sarcasm intended)

But since you're so perfect, maybe I should proofread some of your posts from dejanews, including ones with the signature line that read "Drew in sunny central Florida."

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.

Tom - N8ECW

122. Re: Code Free Access to HF? - Not in Your Lifetime

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102062001.BAA28834@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182809

In article <68hvtu$s1p$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>But since you're so perfect, maybe I should proofread some of your posts from
>
dejanews, including ones with the signature line that read "Drew in sunny
>
central Florida."

Go for it. Whatever makes you happy.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

123. Re: DECLINE ? - OH YES !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ac8fc0.189235372@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182810
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 28 Dec 1997 11:32:53 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>
>> On 23 Dec 1997 16:40:05 GMT, "William Lee" <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:
>> >DECLINE? in amateur radio? Well.... just try to find an open spot on 20
>> >meters during the weekend. Or try to find some room on 80 meters at night.
>> >I do not think that MORE is better.. in this case.
>>
>> 80m crowded? I sometimes have to tune for 15 minutes to find a signal on
>> 80m at night. It's mostly a under utilized wasteland while next door 75m
>> is packed wall to wall with good ole boys cussin' and fartin' (code tested
>> every one of course).
>>
>> Gary
>> Gary Coffman KE4ZV
>
>Aw c'mon Gary, if ya had to tune for 15 min. the band was dead! As far as the
>old guys cussin and fartin, well I guess Im glad they have a place to go and do
>it. After all, most of them seem to be having a good time. May not be the way I
>choose to operate but they really have little or no effect on my operations. As
>far as it being under utilized, who should we complain to about that? At least
>the guys on 75 are USING the available band space.

Obviously, the band was *not* dead since the adjacent spectrum was filled
with strong signals. It is true that 75m is being used while 80m is largely
going begging for usage. The reason for that should be quite clear.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

124. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AC89A1.6A203749@shore.net>
Source record: 182811
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

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What a bunch of dip-wads....

I said AMATEUR SPECTRUM....

I guess since it rhymes with rectum you have to act that way...

Ed Legenza wrote:

> Bill wrote:
> >
> > WK1V wrote:
> > >
> > > mike wrote:
> > >
> > > > Gee If we kill the CW portions of the bands don't we give up the whole
> > > > thing. I can operate CW almost ANYWHERE
> > >
> > > There is nowhere in the US amateur spectrum where CW is not permitted. You
> > > can operate CW EVERYWHERE....
> > >
> > > --
> > > j:) -=wk1v=-
> > everywhere except the 11 meter citizens band.
>
> Well maybee code should only be allowed with 1500 watt or higher powered
> transmitters on the 11 meter band!
>
> Ed N6XA
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125. Hallicrafters HT-33B TR Switch

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Gregg.E" <Gregg.E@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68i6q9$8u5@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182812
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Needed antenna T/R relay (switch) for running a hallicrafters HT-33B
amplifier on a modern transceiver. Also any info on parts to help me to
accomplish the same.
Also looking for any information on updating the amplifier, or upgrading
the amp or tube. Runs PL 172
73's KD5BAY@earthling.net
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Twas The Night Before Christmas And I Stepped On A
Mouse ! Waz I In Your House.

126. Radio Swap Information Placerville Ca 1/18/98

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jason Wilson <jwilson@inforum.net>
Message-ID: <34ACA3A0.154F2B5F@inforum.net>
Source record: 182813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

http://www.inforum.net/h&h/radioswap.html

127. Re: How I was inspired to get my licence...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ac4cfc.55501499@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182814

Congratulations
Larry ve3fxq

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 11:58:13 -0800, refinle1@ix.netcom.com wrote:

>In response to Ray,K1XV:
>I first became intrested in radio when my dad turned me on to
>the wonderful world of SWL, way back in 1965. Ten years later I got into
>the even better world of scanning and Chicken Banding, Back in the days
>when the Chicken Band was licenced. (My call was KPW-7112)
>Anyway, I wanted to get my ham licence in the worst possible way, and
>finally got it in Late October of 1996, With Technician class, Callsign
>KB2ZYO. Am now working for my upgrade to Tech Plus; Hopefully, it won't
>take me another 20 years to get around to that one...
>73's, and happy 1998 to one and all,
>Dave, KB2ZYO

128. hamfest anybody?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: matt stock <mstock@ptd.net>
Message-ID: <34ACBC8C.6F2AD421@ptd.net>
Source record: 182815
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

winter sucks because there are no hamfests intill spring. i put a posting out a couple of days ago about my idea of having a hamfest iin my area(mt bethel pa...right on the new jersey border)and hve gotten some very good responces.the fire hall i am thinking about renting is very big,has lunch counter,hot dogs,burgers coffee, soda,e.t.c and a big parking lot for tailgating(in winter?) if this sounds like a good idea please drop me a line,i wouid hate to set this up,and have nobody come.i love hamfests and to me,the winter is like six dark months looking at the same equiptment you can give me a ring at 717-897-6081 or drop me a note at BANGOR ELECTRONICS 18 BROADAY BANGOR PA 18013.....73.....matt
Gregg.E wrote:

> Needed antenna T/R relay (switch) for running a hallicrafters HT-33B
> amplifier on a modern transceiver. Also any info on parts to help me to
> accomplish the same.
> Also looking for any information on updating the amplifier, or upgrading
> the amp or tube. Runs PL 172
> 73's KD5BAY@earthling.net
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> Twas The Night Before Christmas And I Stepped On A
> Mouse ! Waz I In Your House.

129. Re: Random Wire ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102115100.GAA19081@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182816

The only real problem I have with random wires fed directly from a tuner is
that you get a lof of RF in your computer on TX, and a lot of RF in your rig on
RX when you have computer and anteena feed close together, or you have anything
connecting the two such as a HAMCOMM interface, TNC, rig control interface,
computer-controlled DDS, CW keyer, etc. I use a 100 foot end fed wire at home
out a third floor window with counterpoises around my living room. It works,
but stray RF sometimes is a problem. The nice thing is... no feedline losses!
Also, you are not merely dealing with an impedence mismatcch,,, to a certain
extent you are also resonating the antenna, so you have fair multi-band
performance. Your ground system is of paramount importance with an end fed
wire, unlike with a balanced antenna. If you experience key bite or heavy RFI
especially only on certain frequenciies, your ground is probably at fault.
Good luck with the wire... it can be made to work pretty well and it's
certainly a cheap way to go.
73 evrbdy
AB5VH
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

130. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34acd7f9.2918590@news.total.net>
Source record: 182817
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

aOn 1 Jan 1998 23:43:11 GMT, "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
wrote:

>Roll has said essentially that on numerous occasions. Yes, the
>wording has been *slightly* different, but the meaning has been
>clear ... you have stated that Morse testing "must" be continued,

>else people will not bother to learn Morse and the mode will ball
>into disuse.

ok then. we don't want it. please don't force us what we don't
like.

CW is obscelete. period. most people don't like it right ??
don't force us for HF access then.

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&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

131. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34acdcf5.4194592@news.total.net>
Source record: 182818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

following up to rec.radio.amateur.misc, rec.radio.amateur.policy for
code/nocode debaters' interest:

antenna42@aol.com (Antenna42) wrote:

>> n5hdq@wf.quik.com said:

>> I have been refered to as a 3950 jammer by some people in this group.
>> Matter of fact I am, according to one, a passive jammer, what ever
>> that is.

>> Perhaps I should define a jammer, according to the 3950 liberty netters.

>> A jammer is anyone who does not agree with the liberty net bunch.

>> A jammer is anyone (who is not a liberty netter) who happens to start a
>> QSO on 3950 when it is vacant. This denies the liberty net their right
>> to free speech in that they can't come on 3950 and vent their
>> frustrations about this and that and everything in general.

>What a bunch of bullshit! Listen, N5HDQ, I am an swl that frequently listens
>to 3950. While I don't think that you yourself are a "jammer", I have heard a
>GREAT MAJORITY of the anti-patriotic hams (i.e., those who oppose the
>Liberty Net people and/or free political talk in general) engage in willful,
>obvious, malicious JAMMING. Here are the hams I have heard jamming 3950:
>WA9KJI --- K5BLB ---- W5VVI ----WB0CXJ ---- KK7HO ---- K5ZU ----
>A fellow called Art Studebaker (I can't remember his callsign) -----
>and lately I've been hearing some hired thug called W9ART jamming
>3950 almost every night. There are even more from "your" side
>that I have heard jamming, but I can't remember all the callsigns.
>I have heard only ONE ham that is more or less on the patriot's side
>engaged in jamming, and that is W2YEE.
>So when it comes to complaining about the operating practices of the
>patriot group on 3950, N5HDQ, your complaints reek of hypocracy.
>Tell "your" guys to clean up THEIR OWN act before they complain
>about others!

what a bunch of barbages on 80m ??

coders: I thought CW made good amateurs !!

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
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132. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: reality459@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102134101.IAA24114@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182819

If 'Uncle Bill' has the money, who cares. What I want to know is what this has to do with this newsgroup??

Masa, by the way, who are those 'personels' you sent your Canadian licensing proposal to? You stated in a previous post that they wanted to hear everyone's comments. One can't comment to them if one doesn't how to contact them. How about folowing up on your previous postings.. I have asked twice, still no response.

133. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980102091712.2870A-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 182820
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

It goes something like this..... No matter who makes it, every company
gets a lemon or two, or perhaps a run of them, in their line up.
It happens with cars, radios, etc.

I have owned 3 RS 202's and know of others that own them , and have had
little if any problems, shy of talking too much and needing to keep the
B.P. charged. I'd swear by them. But at the same time, I've had others
give me problems, and know of a guy who had an 2 meter mobile (not a RS)
in his car, burn up. He had it wired to the battery as most often times
do. The rig was only about 3 months old. He turned it and the car off,
went into the Post office for a minute, came back out to the car and found
smoke pouring out of the rig. The PC board had a hole the size of a 50
cent peice in it after all was said and done.

So, it's not any one brand, that has it's faults..... The ONLY RS rig
that gave me a problem was the 404. I had it for a few weeks, barely used
it one hour and the audio/squelch circuit defected. They replaced the rig.
Had no problems with the new one. Over a year now.

Tech@DP.NET

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997, Dwight G. Bosselman wrote:

> Date: Wed, 31 Dec 1997 18:50:17 -0600
> From: "Dwight G. Bosselman" <dgbcms@netnet.net>
> Newsgroups: alt.ham-radio, alt.ham-radio.fm, alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,
> alt.radio.amateur, rec.ham-radio, rec.radio.amateur,
> rec.radio.amateur.misc, rec.radio.cb
> Subject: Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs
>
> If you do buy Radio Shak, be sure to buy the service contract. I bought an HT
> 3 years ago, went back for repair six times, then a month before the service
> contract ran out, they gave me a new rig, but wouldn't let me renew the serv.
> contract. Also went thru two of their spkr mikes. The real joke is I probably
> didn't use the stuff more than once a week, at the most. About the same time I
> had bought one of their 30w amps, it sizzled out two months later, they did fix
> that for free. Have had real good luck with their DSP. Must admit their service
> is great!
>
> Beware when you buy! I surely won't waste my time or money on their stuff
> again!
>
> 73 Dwight W9YQ
>

> John Lochey wrote:
>
> > On this same note, I'm thinking of buying an Icom T2A, but a friend begged
> > me to check out the Radio Shack 2M rig first (HT). It seems more
> > expensive, bigger and with less features. Plus Radio Shack always dinks
> > you with no accessories. The accessories usually have to be boughten later
> > or seperately. Any ideas or thoughts?
> >
> > Thanks,
> >
> > John
> >
> > DANO <kimo9@idt.net> wrote in article
> > <01bd13ac$f1425200$081871ce@default>...
> > > anyone had experience with rs mobile 2-meter rig. what did yiu think. can
> > > it be converted for any goodies? is it worth the money they're asking?
> > any
> > > suggestions for something in the same price range.
> > > DANO
> > >
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> 73 Dwight de W9YQ
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134. Re: 2 mobile radios = repeater

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102143301.JAA25517@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182821

I too have been wondering this myself.

Can someone walk me through the process of setting up a repeater with a couple of mobile radios as I am relatively new to the sport of amateur radio and am very anxious to try this repeater idea with a phone autopatch.

135. TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Roy White <rwhite@nf.sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <01bd178b$9b632160$5492a4cf@roywhite>
Source record: 182822

Hello

I have a TS-449-SAT with an intermittent in it. Here is what appears to happen.
Everything is going along fine and then the rx and tx becomes garbled. Shortly after you completly loose both tx es rx. Also sometimes you can hear the frequency scanning while the display remains constant. Sometimes the display is lost...Just dotts.

Anyone who can help please drop me a line at my e-mail address listed below.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Roy
VO1RW
rwhite@writeme.com

136. Re: Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: frussle@erols.com
Message-ID: <34adedb7.1881180@news.erols.com>
Source record: 182823

On 2 Jan 1998 04:11:08 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>Listening to hams on AM built my
>>interest in ham radio,
>
>>It recently occurred to me that the present use of SSB makes it very
>>challenging for a SWL with listen in on ham radio, if they can listen
>>at all, with modest receiving equipment.
>
>>As a result, I think that fewer SWLs are exposed to the next step,
>
>I think you are correct. I hope that the increasing number of inexpensive
>all-band portables that do have ssb capability will help reintroduce swl's to
>ham radio.

I hope you're right.

I have been interested in radio for as long as I can remember. I
remember listening to my fathers radio with fascination that the thing
worked at all, and later building my own crystal radios from a radio
shack kit. I played with those things for hours every day.

However, it wasn't the shortwave bands that attracted me to the hobby.
Sure, they were fascinating to me once I began listening to them.
What I'm pointing out is that the interest was there before the radio,
not the other way around.

Inexpensive shortwave radios with decent performance don't hurt,
though. Still, I find that many new listeners don't understand how to
use the BFO adjustment knob on their radio to tune in an SSB signal.
Just read some of the newbie posts on rec.radio.shortwave...

Jake Brodsky, AB3A mailto:frussle@erols.com
"Beware of the massive impossible!"

137. Re: TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: SurfCaster <sadj@pegasus.coro.mei.com>
Message-ID: <34AD0C76.2742@pegasus.coro.mei.com>
Source record: 182824

Hi Roy,
Have you changed your battery lately? A friend of mine had a simular problem and he replaced the battery (It was dead) and it cleared up his problem. Im not saying its your problem, but you can check the voltage of the battery.
I changed my battery last year when my friend had his problem just for the heck of it.

Also, would you be interested in testing a program for the TS440? Im currently writing a program W3.1 (Soon Win95) to control the ts440 by a pc. You would, of coarse, need the interface from the TS440 -> PC.
Just send me a email and I will put you on the beta mailing list

PS: If you know of any feature you would like a program to do while in the communications with the TS440, drop me a note.

Send replies to : Surfer@snet.net
Stan NI1Z

Roy White wrote:
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138. HamNet Forum on C from CompuServe

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Scott Loftesness <sjl@firstdata.com>
Message-ID: <eUXUPQ5F9GA.304@nih2naab.prod2.compuserve.com>
Source record: 182825

The HamNet Forum on CompuServe is now available to anyone who has Internet access and
either Netscape or IE 3.0 or higher. In the past, you had to have a CompuServe account
in order to get into Forums. Now, as part of a project called "C from CompuServe" there
are over 500 Forums accessible from the World Wide Web, including HamNet

HamNet is one of the oldest communities of amateur radio, shortwave listeners and
scanner enthusiasts in cyberspace. Begun in 1981, HamNet was one of the first "forums",
or online discussion groups, on CompuServe's original "MicroNet" service. Today,
HamNet has 23 message sections and file libraries, covering all aspects of amateur
radio and related electronic hobbyists interests.

There are three levels of participation available with the new "C from CompuServe"
service. Guest Membership provides read-only access to the HamNet message board, and is
free.

Limited Membership is also free, but allows you to enter some of the CompuServe
transactional areas and databases. You download a "Virtual Key" plug-in for your
browser that allows CompuServe to recognize you. In addition, Limited members can pick
one Forum for full participation at no charge. In other words, if the only thing on
CompuServe you're interested in is the HamNet Forum, Limited Membership means you can
fully participate in HamNet, but only HamNet, for free.

Finally, Full Membership allows complete participation in all 500 Forums, for a monthly
fee in the future of under $10. However, during the introductory period now underway,
Full Membership is also available free of charge with a 30 day notice being provided to
you prior to the monthly fee being imposed.

To check out the HamNet Forum, point your browser at this url:

http://www.csi.com/go_c.asp?PIN=HamNet

It'll try to recognize you and then deny access unless you have Virtual Key (IE4.0 for
the Mac comes with it), and take you to a signup screen. You can either select "Free
Preview" for read-only access, or download the plug-in and sign up for membership. Full
membership is now being offered with the free trial mentioned earlier

Please send me an email if you have problems with it, or there's something I can help
you with.

Scott Loftesness W3VS
Chief SysOp, HamNet

139. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Thomas.Weeks@mirage.brooks.af.mil
Message-ID: <68j2l6nm1@leo.brooks.af.mil>
Source record: 182826
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

In article <Pine.BSI.3.95.980102091712.2870A-100000@home.dp.net>, tech@dp.net says...
>
>
>It goes something like this..... No matter who makes it, every company
>gets a lemon or two, or perhaps a run of them, in their line up.
>It happens with cars, radios, etc.
>
>I have owned 3 RS 202's and know of others that own them , and have had
>little if any problems,

Hi!

I just got a used 202 for $120 and am working on getting my tech or novice license...

I am an EE (EET really) and was interested if you knew about any good hardware hacks that can be
performed on this rig...?

PLease send replies to tweeks@texas.net

Thanx..

Tom D Tek

140. Station forsale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: n3qom@netusa1.net
Message-ID: <68j2g4$ppi@koptsw35.delcoelect.com>
Source record: 182827

I have the following equipment forsale

1: FT 990 the AC version, 10 - 160 meters and general
coverage recv. build in tuner Very good condition.
Asking $1100.00 you ship.

2: TS690AT with matching speaker and PS50 power supply
and build in tuner. Very good condition.
Asking $1050.00 you ship.

3: Standard C558A dual band 2/440 HT with case and
hand mike. $300.00

4: Cherokee AH-50 6 meter hand held 2 month old
$180.00

5: Alinco DJ-F1T 2 meter HT, battery will not hold charge
over a day or 2, but transmit and recv. great $125.00

6: Forsale for a friend ....
Fluke 105 digital Scopemeter, its a 100 MHZ digital scope
and a digital volt/Ohm meter in a hand held case. Fluke
sell them for $2600.00 new. This includes the computer
interface cable and software. asking $1700.00 or best
offer.

You can contract me at 765-453-5239 evenings
or e-mail me at n3qom@netusa1.net

141. Re: IC 706 mkII

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68j2la$s6i@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182828

Jerome Buie <djbuie@nettally.com> wrote:

>has anyone made transmitter changes (IE all freq. open) to a new 706 ?
>IF so what is this change.

>KB4POA

Cut diode D16 on the main circuit board. That should do it.....

73, Jim KH2D

142. Re: IC 706 mkII

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68j2ms$s6j@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182829

Jerome Buie <djbuie@nettally.com> wrote:

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>IF so what is this change.

>KB4POA

Cut diode D16 on the main circuit board. That should do it.....

73, Jim KH2D

143. Re: Logging Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: sereikas@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <68j4mc$gp5@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182880
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

For what it is worth I HIGHLY recommend DX4Win. I have used DXBase (not the new Win95 version), LogWindows 3.0 and EQF. All of the other programs are good, but in my opinion, the best overall is DX4Win. It is only $69.95 and the best part is that updates are FREE and downladable from the DX4Win Home Page. The support is GREAT....they realy work to help you and they are fast and easy to communicate with.

DXBase was good but VERY expensive....not only to purchase initially, but to keep up to date. They update it religiously 1X per year at a cost of about $49....that adds up quickly. EQF is VERY good and an excellent value for the price and service is good.

I love DX4Win and am using it with Windows 95, even though it is a 16 Bit program....I hear they will be coming out with a 32 bit version in the future.

Hope this helps. BTW, I am Not associated with DX4Win, DXBase, EQF in any way, just an avid Ham.

73,

George
KC2MF
On 29 Dec 1997 23:18:45 GMT, "Donald M. Ross" <dross@sirinet.net>
wrote:

>Happy New Year!
>
>I'm in the process of looking for a new logging program. The ideal program
>will be a Win95 program and track HF and VHF and all of the major awards.
>
>VUCC
>WAS (HF and VHF)
>DXCC (HF and VHF)
>US-CA (by bands to include VHF)
>Do contests, field day, etc
>
>If you have any experience with one that does all this, please e-mail me at
>dross@sirinet.net
>
>TNX ES 73 K4ABN/EM04

144. Re: Going to Dayton

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: hsynovetz@uasc.com
Message-ID: <883757614.1175453714@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182881

In article <68g7jfhfd1@w3eax.umd.edu>,
ham@w3eax.umd.edu (Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I]) wrote:
>
> In article <68dm8mbfe1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>,
> T.L. Bryant <tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com> wrote:
> >>So, does anyone have any suggestions of where to stay in or around
> >>Dayton.. the hotels that I've called are all full... I've also
> >>looked though the Internet pages for Hotels, Motels and even
> >>RV rentals and campgrounds... Not knowing the area , I'm hoping someone
> >>can point me a sleeping location... Anyone know of a barn that hasn't
> >>been rented?
> >>
> >>Thanks for any direction...
> >>
> >>Dennis N6NG
> >>--

I usually stay in Richmond, In. It's about a 30 minute drive, straight shot to Dayton on I70. There are about half a dozen hotels/motels there, and they usually don't fill up. Also, the campgrounds in Dayton don't get full this early...you might consider that, since the weather is nice in May. The hamvention web page has the info. (Man, why did you have to bring this up? Now I can't wait). 73 KA9YZB

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

145. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: armond@delphi.com
Message-ID: <Z3VEyRi.armond@delphi.com>
Source record: 182882

Ray KC2AYO <rsirois@stny.lrun.com> writes:

>(already passed the theory). WHEN I finally get it, the work and effort
>involved will make that license particularly valuable to me....

Ray: BRAVO!!! N6WR

146. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68j8ia$cds@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182883

"Alan Anderson" <James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com> wrote:

>As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with amateur
>licenses anyway.....

On what analysis/interpretation do you make that assertion?

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

147. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68j8t1$cg6@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182884

rsirois@stny.lrun.com (Ray KC2AYO) wrote:

>On 29 Dec 1997 18:18:08 GMT, kb9kyy@indy.net (Brad Wilmot) wrote:

>>I am just sickened by the "No Coders Bashing" ......
>>Can't we all just get along?

>Brad,
> You can't afford HF and don't want it. I don't see any need for you
>to learn code. HOWEVER, I'm all for the code requirements for HF use,

Because?????

> I'm a
>Tech-Plus who is struggling to get to 13, and I'll do it, for my General
>(already passed the theory). WHEN I finally get it, the work and effort
>involved will make that license particularly valuable to me....

What difference would it make if you obtained the general
and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
(or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
getting the license rather than doing it on your own?

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148. WTB or Trade for: FT-50RD and accs...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: chia@news.utk.edu
Message-ID: <68jen0$4p9$3@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
Source record: 182885

I want to buy a Yaesu FT-50RD radio. I have an ICOM W32A that is
only 3 months old to seel or trade. If anyone is interested then send me
E-Mail nd I'll give you the phone # to contact me at. If anyone has a FT-50RD
for sell that doesn't want to trade then let me know I am still very
interested in this radio. thank you 73

KF4UAE
chia@korrnet.org

149. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad3eba.1368669@news.total.net>
Source record: 182886
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 2 Jan 1998 14:29:08 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>I listened to 3950 last night. Perfect example of what's wrong with amateur
>radio today. Several stations jamming each other. About all I could make out
>was one old goat saying that "this frequency is in use and you are deliberately
>interfering with another station...you are in violation of FCC rules...", etc.
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

perfect example that the CW requirements won't make the good hams.

Even extra class amateurs aren't so good eh... what should we do
about it ?? 2m repeater users [technicians] are much polite.

Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

150. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AD41C9.14C3@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182887
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:>
> coders: I thought CW made good amateurs !!
>

That's what you get for trying to think. For you, it doesn't work.

151. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Luldoinne Wennmeir <apple46@flexgroup.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17b8$40c7d020$529192ce@default>
Source record: 182888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net>
> wrote:
> ok then. we don't want it. please don't force us what we don't
> like.

You are not mature or intellegent enough to know what is good for you. As your mother once told you to "eat your vegetables", now, we tell you to learn the code. You should be thankful for our guidance in this matter and not so given to disobedience and rebellion.

> CW is obscelete. period. most people don't like it right ??

You must learn the correct spelling of obsolete if you are not bright enough to use the spell checker. These are just the contunued whinings of a disobedient child who cannot get his way.

> don't force us for HF access then.

To learn CW is not necessarily for the purpose of knowing or actually using CW. It is to learn discipline and not give in to the easy way out. Students who take endless quarters or semesters of calculus and other math courses will probably never use all the details they have learned but mathematicians tend to be the most employable of all graduates from Universities. When prospective employers are asked why?, they say that these people are the most logical in their approach to problem solving. They apply their discipline to all their problems and situations. If you are "forced" to learn the code, maybe you will apply this discipline to learning and expanding in a field of your liking. You simply have to stop whining about doing something you don't want to and realize that it could ultimately be for your own good.

152. Re: Majority Says "Bye Bye Morse". Cult Followers Mourn.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102202800.PAA05226@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182889

Please don't take this post as onother biased and rabid argument for (or against) continuing the morse code requirement. This is not meant to be more vitriol. I am just trying to prepare all us practitioners of the dark art of CW to accept the inevitable. After all, Morse code is pretty old-fashioned technology. It is an arcane art mastered by only an elite few. There are many more efficient modes than CW, and CW holds back the progress of Ham Radio technology since it doesn't require upgraded protocols and hardware/software implementation every few years. It is not fair to force those with no interest in this outdated art to master a skill that it literally takes weeks of hard study to learn. A lot of new hams are intimidated by the code, realizing what a useless but insurmountable obstacle it is, and so the code requirement has not only kept new blood from getting into the hobby, but it has also kept Technicians with a lot of time and money invested in Amateur Radio from progressing. We need new blood into the hobby, and we can't afford to let us elitist traditionalists stand in the way of progress. I therefore back down from my previous position that the CW requirement must stay in effect. However, we must prepare ourselves for the consequences of dropping CW.

When (not"IF"... the day will come. the question is WHEN) the code requirement is abolished, how many new hams will bother to learn the code? About the same number who build their own rigs now, i think. After 15 or 20 years, the majority of even Extra class licensees will be no-coders. Once they are a not so silent majority, somebody is gonna wake up to the situation with the overcrowded fone bands vs the still peaceful non-fone bands and say "Hey! That outmoded old CW stuff went out the window back when the Coast Guard stopped guarding 500Kc! The FCC finally acknowledged it when they dropped the code requirement and I could get a lcense, too. We still got these old foot-dragging, progress-hating brass-mashers hogging up all the good spectrum. Let's get it!" Then the feds will bow to popular opnion and open all the bands up to fone ops once and for all. After all, the majority will be in favor of it, and treaties be damned. I am uncomfortable with the idea of hearing fone guys complaining about my beedly-beeps interfering with their QSO on 14010. but I guess I'll just have to roll with the tide and become a mic worshipper too. I'll make a nice plaque for mounting my favorite key on. It will make a nice display, adding a touch of old-fashioned charm to the shack.

With the bands completely opened up, I predict an increase in the number of ops who memorized the questions to pass their license exam and really don't know too much except maybe where the band edges are and how to trim a dipole. When we have reached this point, by and large we WILL be just cb-ers who can install our own equipment without help.

When we have reached THIS point, may as well not have an exam at all. Many clear thinkers of that day to come will insist that the testing requirement is totally irrelevant, as are multiple classes of license, since anybody can

memorize enough to pass whatever level of license they desire. The majority will see the logic, and the feds will be forced to act again for the betterment of the hobby after dragging their foot for a few years. RTTY, AMTOR, Packet, and all the other data modes along with CW transmissions, will be outlawed. Data is more efficiently transmitted over the internet anyway, and the modes will just require too many old-fashioned, antiquated skills. Finally, all those interfering "beedle-beedle-beedle" and cricket chirping sounds will be eliminated, and it will be just talk, talk, talk. That complicated stuff has no more relelvance in modern communications than spark! Want nostalgia? get a jungle drum.

Mail-in no-test licensing will be convenient, and popular, and will bring in hundreds of thousands of new hams. Finally, the amateur bands are almost as free as God intended them to be! Freedom to express yourself, freedom of speech, long repressed on the bands, will be joyously celebrated by the downtrodden who have fought all the long years to throw off the heavy hand of the FCC and those hateful, elitist pro-exam nuts. The QRP homebrewer fanatics will be silenced by a very sensible law requiring all equipment used on the air be type-accepted, i.e. made in a factory where the manufacturer can ensure that no skill is needed to get on the air and talk, talk, talk. Band selection should be automatic, and power level set at the maximum the built-in power supply can handle. An HF all-bander will have a thousand preset simplex channels for the auto-propogation channel-picker-outer to choose from. The only user-adjustable control will be the on/off switch, the "volume" knob, and the push-buttons for background music and sound effects.

Finally the big day will come. The courts will recognize that everybody, licensed or not, is entitled to equal use of the amateur bands. FCC licenses will continue to be proudly displayed by the old-timers who had to take a 10 question true/false test to earn them. The same old-timers will collect such curiousities as Volt-meters, grid dip meters, oscilloscopes, soldering irons, and the like, and as they die the newest craze, collecting antique ham gear from the pre-freedom days will take off. The FCC, in alarm, will impose heavy fines on posession of old fully user-adjustable transceivers and transmitters that have not had their finals removed and connectors filled with a type-accepted epoxy based compound at an authorized factory.

New employment opportunities will open up for practitioners of the dark arts. There will be a big demand for technicians who know how to plug everything together and make it work. These radio experts will take care of all the really mysterious stuff like installing a station GND, whatever the hell that stands for, and connecting an antenna properly. Once the radio nerd is done, paid, and gone, the proud station owner will have a station capable of transmitting a signal clear to the other side of the globe... of course with all the QRM nobody will understand the words, but it will still be comforting to know that one's voice can help contribute to the joyous unintelligible babble all the way in Ulan Bator. Radio will truly be making the world a smaller, friendlier place!

Finally, the day will come when some ham, browsing through an antique ham radio shoppe will see a dusty old set, one of the really old ones ordered disabled by

the FCC because the continuously variable tuning permitted off-channel transmission. The ham of the day will notice an opening on the back panel cryptically labeled "KEY",and wonder why the ancient, long dead owner though it was necessary to lock up his AB.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

153. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980102202900.PAA07695@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182890

In article <67e2vs$av2$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> writes:

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Michael Bruss <fzbruss@catbert.ucdavis.edu> wrote:
> I'm curious about how
>CW worked before the advent radio and ocillators,
> i.e. the telegraph. I
>have the impression that there was what amounted to
> a clicking relay on the
>receiving end. Was a dot two clicks close
> together and a dash two clicks
>further apart? Or was there some way to
> vary the length of a click or
>perhaps two types of click? Any of these
> would appear to have been harder
>to learn and use than an ocillator.

> Mike

Mprse telegraphy was originally meant to be used to punch holes in paper tape, which would then be read by eye with the use of templates. Operators quickly learned to copy by ear, even before this new-fangled telegraph idea really got off the ground. The sounder was born about the same time as the first long-distance (out of earshot) telegraph line. The paper punch idea was discarded for the next hundred years or so except in player pianos.

You may have noticed that all really really old keys have two sets of contacts... MAKE and BREAK. I would assume ... well never mind what I assume.

"ENGINEER'S MINI-NOTEBOOK, Communications Projects", by Forrest Mims III, Radio Shack, has a simple electromagnetic sounder in it that uses only MAKE and GND. Maybe the BREAK circuit engaged a damper that stopped the sounder vibrating? or maybe the BREAK simply ensured that the armature pulled away from the sounder plate, or maybe there were two sounder plates. Need to examine an antique sounder or do some reading.

If you have ever used an antique key with the extra contacts, you probably were intrigued by the extra clack of the BREAK contacts. It sure does sound nice once you get used to it. Kinda sounds like the telegrapher on the really old westerns. At 20 WPM it sounds like you are really flying if you disable your side-tone and open the contacts up enough to hear them good.

By the way, they wouldn't have called it CW (continuous wave) since it was DC. The term CW did not appear until well after the dawn of the fadio age, when the birth of the oscillator spelled Spark Gap mode's eventual demise. CW, DC

telegraphy, and Spark are all on/off modulated with Morse Code, yet they are completely different modes and the term CW applies to only one of them.

As far as difficulty in learning goes, I doubt that it would be much more difficult to learn Morse telegraphy with a well-designed sounder than with an oscillator. It's just whatever you get used to first, I think.

73 evrbdy
AB5VH
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

154. Code bashers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jay Moyer <bjmoyer@wcic.com>
Message-ID: <34AD531F.5902@wcic.com>
Source record: 182891

I do not have my license yet but am looking forward to getting it while
i furiously practice my code. And above all other aspects i do belive
in the morse code. In fact i dont plan to use ssb for quite a while
and i am going to build my own equipment(qrp). I see multiple reasons
to use code to other methods, code uses less electricity so in emergency
situations you can save your batteries and probly run a transmitter of
one of the 12 volt solar battery charges. Code gets though in
interferce, which if you are using HF you will encounter. Code is
understood internationally, ssb isnt much faster when you have to use
phonetics. There are probly thousand of other reasons to learn it that
arent mentioned here.

SORRY For speelling mistakes {:->

Jay Moyer
bjmoyer@wcic.org

155. Re: 160 Meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad5315.850347@news.total.net>
Source record: 182892

On 31 Dec 1997 18:21:19 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>>I don't know if they make one for 160m, but worth while to look at.

>If
>>you have no luck with a commercially-available unit, they shouldn't be
>too
>>hard to make. A friend of mine has a 8 watt 160m HT which is a
>direct
>>conversion/double sideband transceiver. It worked quite well
>provided you
>>didn't come into contact with the h/held's antenna, which
>could give a nasty
>>zap!

>I would like to see the loading coil for the whip on such a rig! Seems like a
>fine line is being walked between small size and efficiency. I commend your
>friend on his ingenuity and go-for-it-ness. I would not have attempted much
>over a watt, I think, on 160 with a whip antenna.
(...)

>There was a Japanese company, High-Power I think the name was, that made a 20
>meter HT. I believe it had SSB and CW, and it was reviewed in one of the ham
>rags about 5 years ago.

> It was taken off the US market almost as soon as it
>got here, but I guess it could be ordered from Japan if one doesn't mind the
>paperwork.

As far as I know, the company called "MIZUHO" makes a 20m HT as well
as 6m (ssb and cw only) and 10m.

it works quite well according to some users.

Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

156. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad51e8.549563@news.total.net>
Source record: 182893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 13:36:41 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

>> coders: I thought CW made good amateurs !!
^^^^^^
>That's what you get for trying to think. For you, it doesn't work.

I intended for PRO-coders. sorry. actually I am a coder.

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157. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad550d.1354598@news.total.net>
Source record: 182894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 2 Jan 1998 19:57:11 GMT, "Luldoinne Wennmeir"
<apple46@flexgroup.net> wrote:

>> CW is obscelete. period. most people don't like it right ??

>You must learn the correct spelling of obsolete if you are not bright
>enough to use the spell checker. These are just the contunued whinings of
>a disobedient child who cannot get his way.

I don't want to stick with casette tape: I do with floppy disk.
I don't want to stick with DOS: I do with Windows 95.
CW is obscelete so I don't stick with it. If you want to stick to
casette tape, DOS and CW, please do so. Most of us who live on the
earth don't care.

>> don't force us for HF access then.

>To learn CW is not necessarily for the purpose of knowing or actually using
>CW.

> It is to learn discipline and not give in to the easy way out.

Not many people want or actually interested in amateur radio. How do
you make them learn discipline ??

>Students who take endless quarters or semesters of calculus and other math
>courses will probably never use all the details they have learned but
>mathematicians tend to be the most employable of all graduates from
>Universities.

> When prospective employers are asked why?, they say that
>these people are the most logical in their approach to problem solving.

>They apply their discipline to all their problems and situations. If you
>are "forced" to learn the code, maybe you will apply this discipline to
>learning and expanding in a field of your liking. You simply have to stop
>whining about doing something you don't want to and realize that it could
>ultimately be for your own good.

I don't think I graduate from the university... maybe I will. I don't
know. you are right... it doesn't make sense at all... you have to
calculus and other stuffs that you don't even use in the future. I
hope to open up my own business or become a private stock broker. In
this case, why am I university ?? what a useless time... but...
public sees myself as a "better person" (?) if I graduate from the
university I guess. It's sad, but like CW stuffs... we must do
whatever unnecessary...

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158. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AD3227.F3CDCE83@flash.net>
Source record: 182895

Bill Sohl wrote:

What difference would it make if you obtained the general

> and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
> (or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
> it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
> Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
> must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
> getting the license rather than doing it on your own?
> --------
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK

The only problem I see Bill is where does it end? I'll grant you the above, but couldn't we make the same argument about the questions on the test, Why should one answer questions about packet, SSTV, RTTY if he/ she never intend to operate those modes?

Why do I need to know how to calculate a 1/4 dipole, since I'm going to buy one at the ham store? I don't really need to know about the Q of a circuit since my rig has all broadband circuits. It would just go on and on until their is nothing left, it perhaps is outdated but it does at least make one work hard to get it, and those are the ones I want joining the hobby, the ones that want to be here, not just those who could get a ticket because it's easier now.

I'm quite sure there are many many questions on a Bar exam that a lawyer will never use in his practice, yet they are still there, while in college I must take electives that have NOTHING to do with my course of study, why, because the whole idea is provide a well rounded education. If we apply this 'no code' argument to these other 'testing' senarios there wouldn't be much left because there would always be someone who didn't want 'THAT PART'

Regards,

Tim

>

159. Re: CW: What ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34AD5601.3C0@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

TERRY L. COBB Sr. wrote:
>
> Ed Legenza wrote in message <34AC4290.4914@earthlink.net>...
> >Bill wrote:
> >>
> >> WK1V wrote:
> >> >
> >> > mike wrote:
> >> >
> >> > >Ed N6XA
>
> From K6ME Terry:
>
> Well 1500 watts CW on the CB Band sounds like fun But they would just move
> on up too 10 meters like some already have.
> Anyway CBers are not the root of this CW thing.
> Since I'am an extra you know where I stand on the matter right !

Sounds like the same place that I do..and I did not mean to offend
everyone who is a CBer just the rambo types!

73

160. Re: TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R0201981229150001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 182897

In article <01bd178b$9b632160$5492a4cf@roywhite>, "Roy White"
<rwhite@nf.sympatico.ca> wrote:

>I have a TS-449-SAT with an intermittent in it. Here is what appears to
>happen.
>Everything is going along fine and then the rx and tx becomes garbled.
>Shortly after you completly loose both tx es rx. Also sometimes you can
>hear the frequency scanning while the display remains constant. Sometimes
>the display is lost...Just dotts.

This is a well-known problem with the 440's PLL losing lock. Check the
service bulletins available at the Kenwood web site for the standard cures.

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

161. Re: Code bashers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <68juf9$ceo@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 182898

>Jay Moyer <bjmoyer@wcic.com> wrote:
>
>For that reason alone ALL ham's worldwide should have to at least pass
>a basic CW test. How are we going to communicate with other Hams if we
>can't even understand a "common language". If those that are codeless
>think everyone in the world "speaks" english they are truly deaf! If
>you want to "speak" around the world, PAY THE PRICE!

I'm sorry to have to point this out, but what language are YOU encoding into Morse Code? Is it not English? If a foreign ham understands "rig" and "antenna" and "temperature" when spelled out, will that person not also understand it when spoken? If we use the "standard CW shortcuts", would they also not be understood over phone?

You are entitled to you opinion on the code-test issue, but please find a better reason then the foolishness above. CW is NOT a language. It is an encoding scheme added on top of language, and is no more understandable than the language being transmitted.

--Larry A. Warsinski--
N8JPK -- Calumet, MI
lwarsins@up.net

162. X-9000 Mounting Brackets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: radiocom@net-link.net
Message-ID: <34ad7c56.552562275@nntp.net-link.net>
Source record: 182899

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100 ea. Control Head mounting brackets for Motorola Syntor X-9000,
New unused. $75 delivered (US) Ken K8YYC radiocom@net-link.net
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163. RDF file format

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Caesar <pcaesar@devcor.com>
Message-ID: <883786602.898961@wagasa.cts.com>
Source record: 182900

Does anyone have any info on the RDF file format used for Yaesu radio software (ADMS)?

Thanks,
Paul Caesar
KF6FJV

164. First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: lisa_webster@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <883787243.331415563@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182901

Does the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America which guarantees the right of free speech, give someone the right to shout "Burt Fisher," in the middle of a crowded ham-fest?

Just Curious.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

165. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AD93C7.B14E9727@shore.net>
Source record: 182902

lisa_webster@hotmail.com wrote:

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> America which guarantees the right of free speech, give someone the right
> to shout "Burt Fisher," in the middle of a crowded ham-fest?
>
> Just Curious.

Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right to
shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.
--
j:) -=wk1v=-

166. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68kegp$23i$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182903

In article <01bd17de$8084b040$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Roll is at it again ... most everyone else has realize that
>"Masa" is apparently a Japanese student studying in Canada.
>As such, English is not his primary language, but Roll insists
>on slamming him because his English is not up to "Roll's Standards
>of Excellence" (something like "Roll's Standards of Beeping Skills"

I have no intention of slamming MASA due to his spelling. However,
I find his diction very poor, and considering that he is not
speaking, but instead is composing, one should expect a higher
quality of posting from him than something written "off the cuff".
If one cannot enunciate his ideas efficiently, how can one be
taken seriously?

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

167. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Graham VE1FC <ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca>
Message-ID: <34adb5a9.0@198.164.187.20>
Source record: 182904
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

I have both a 202 and a 242.....
The 202 is GREAT.. excellent receive..
The 242 is just too dam broadband on receive...
I receive the local ambulance on the 147.165 machine here in town.. I wish
the 242 was narrow band like the 202.... Also sensitivity is poor on the
144-148 mhz area... Hell I got the 3 year contract... Might as well slap it
on the counter for them to look at....

All said and done the Radio Shack radios are good.. as far as I am concerned
..
Graham
ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca
http://www.surfcity.nb.ca/~ve1fc

Cutie Boy wrote in message <34abc5f8.164334@news.total.net>...
>On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 01:25:09 -0800, "Ted Lee"
><amway@nospam.rogers.wave.ca> wrote:
>
>>I first spend $400 Cdn to purchase that radio.
>
>I bought it for $299.
>
>>Next month it was on sale for $329, I should of waited,
>
>RS reimburses you a price difference if within 30 days (I always buy
>a stuff when it's on sale. It's usual to see $100-$150 discount on
>certain products).
>
>RS Canada sells a card that gives you a 10% discount on anything from
>regular price at $15 I think. If you buy something over $100, you
>will get the card free.
>
>If something is priced $400, you will able to get it $360 instead.
>
>Many people don't know this... just a tip from "cutie boy" :)
>
>
>>Brought it in again for repairs. This time the warranty ran out. So it
cost
>>me $120 to fix.
>
>>Waited four months. Replace more chips, at my cost, no labour cost since

>>under repair 90 day warranty. Cost me an other $90.
>
>>I listen about 200 minutes for every minute transmitted!!
>
>>My old 2nd hand Kenwood TR-7800 works great, never had a program.
>
>I realize some of the RS stuffs don't work after a couple of days.
>It happened to me a couple of times... but usually these things
>happen in first 30 days and can be replaced very easily.
>
>
>Make sure you buy an extend warranty on high priced products.
>My HTX-202 went to repair for a couple of times and I got a new one.
>If I had no extended warranty, my HTX-202 just became a garbage (202
>comes only 90 day warranty).
>
>>Here my brand new HTX-212 spending more time in the shop that actual
usage!
>
>I am using HTX-242. Seems it's working OK.
>
>
>>I have a HTX-202, works great, along with my ICOM IC-02AT which I've been
>>using 320 days a year since 1989.
>
>>no problems with voltage, or swr.
>
>
>> So why did the HTX-212 fail me twice?
>
>you didn't have a luck.
>
>
>>So next time, buy the extended warranty for Radio Shack radios.
>
>depends on what you purchase though...
>
>I don't buy any extended warranties on scanners... but I do buy it
>on amateur stuffs.
>
>
>>never again to buy a Radio Shack mobile.
>
>
>My 242 is working OK. My 202 wasn't working OK.
>kinda opposite eh ??
>
>
>_____

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168. Charles

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Larson <plarson@xmission.com>
Message-ID: <34ADD498.91A@xmission.com>
Source record: 182905

State subsidized ham radio.

169. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: "John J. Trainor" <jjtrainor@interworldnet.net>
Message-ID: <68k7bl$o1g$1@news.inconnect.com>
Source record: 182906

I agree 100 percent with jeff@centuryinter.net. We don't want all these tackey "NO-CODERS" crowding the SACRED HF bands. Don't you know if "WE" (ARRL) let em in they might do somethin to upset all them old farts at ARRL. So jeff I am asking your help to start a campaign to REQUIRE all applicants for auto driver's license to demonstrate their proficiency in HORSE-BACK RIDING before they can drive a car. You do know how to ride, don't you jeff???
The "code must go."

170. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68kek8$251$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182907

In article <01bd17e1$91382c20$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>The theory is necessary because ham radio is *supposed* to be a
>technically-oriented service. We are allowed to build, adjust, repair,
>etc. and are not required to use type-accepted equipment.

There is NO REQUIREMENT that hams be "technical". Being technical is a
CHOICE. Hams can be technical if they so choose, or not technical if they
want to go that route.

Using your "I shouldn't have to take a code test, because operating code
is an option" standard, theory examinations should likewise be eliminated.

>I admit that today's tests don't do a very good job of assuring even a
>modest degree of technical competence, but that's a different problem

Fix that problem first, then we'll talk.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

171. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr*@no.net>
Message-ID: <34ADE3DD.5E9C@no.net>
Source record: 182908

CBRambo wrote:
>
> I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss
> out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect
> example of what's wrong with amateur radio today. Prime ammunition for Rep.
> Billy Tauzin and others who wish to kill the hobby and turn it over to
> commercial interests in exchange for campaign $$$$$.
>
> I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in
> it...it's done!
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You probably have a point there, but what else can you expect when you
make it so easy for the cb types to obtain a license.

172. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gaetan Hasse <Gaetan.Hasse@student.ulg.ac.be>
Message-ID: <34AD6754.7EDF@student.ulg.ac.be>
Source record: 182909
Cross-posted to: bit.listserv.c370-l,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.lang.c

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Michel Castelein wrote:
>
> /* This C program runs in MS-DOS, in remembrance of MORSE,
> officially deceased the 1 January 1998. */
> #include <dos.h>
> #include <string.h>
> #include <stdio.h>
> #include <ctype.h>
> #define NUL '\0'
> #define FREQ 900U /* unsigned frequency (in Hertz) */
> #define TU 80U /* unsigned time_unit (in ï¿½seconds) */
>
> void dot(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(TU); nosound(); }
>
> void dash(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(3*TU); nosound(); }
>
> void delim(unsigned int n)
> { /* space between the signals forming the same letter = 1 TU
> space between two letters = 3 TU's
> space between two words = 7 TU's */
> delay(n*TU);
> }
>
> void main(void)
> {
> int c;
> size_t i, j;
> char user_input[81];
> char *ptrs[256];
>
> memset(ptrs, '\x00', 256 * sizeof(char *));
> ptrs['A'] = ".-"; ptrs['N'] = "-."; ptrs['1'] = ".----";
> ptrs['B'] = "-..."; ptrs['O'] = "---"; ptrs['2'] = "..---";
> ptrs['C'] = "-.-."; ptrs['P'] = ".--."; ptrs['3'] = "...--";
> ptrs['D'] = "-.."; ptrs['Q'] = "--.-"; ptrs['4'] = "....-";
> ptrs['E'] = "."; ptrs['R'] = ".-."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
> ptrs['F'] = "..-."; ptrs['S'] = "..."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
> ptrs['G'] = "--."; ptrs['T'] = "-"; ptrs['6'] = "-....";
> ptrs['H'] = "...."; ptrs['U'] = "..-"; ptrs['7'] = "--...";
> ptrs['I'] = ".."; ptrs['V'] = "...-"; ptrs['8'] = "---..";
> ptrs['J'] = ".---"; ptrs['W'] = ".--"; ptrs['9'] = "----.";
> ptrs['K'] = "-.-"; ptrs['X'] = "-..-"; ptrs['0'] = "-----";
> ptrs['L'] = ".-.."; ptrs['Y'] = "-.--";
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> ptrs['M'] = "--"; ptrs['Z'] = "--..";
> ptrs['+'] = ".-.-."; ptrs['-'] = "-....-"; ptrs['='] = "-...-";
> ptrs['/'] = "-..-."; ptrs['?'] = "..--.."; ptrs['\''] = ".----.";
> ptrs['.'] = ".-.-.-"; ptrs[','] = "--..--"; ptrs[':'] = "---...";
>
> printf("Enter some data followed by EOF (i.e. Ctrl+Z):\n");
> for (i = 0; (c = getchar()) != EOF; i++)
> { user_input[i] = c; }
> user_input[i] = NUL;
>
> for (i = 0; i < strlen(user_input); i++)
> { char morse[] = {'\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0'};
>
> if ( isalnum(user_input[i]) || user_input[i] == '+'
> || user_input[i] == '-' || user_input[i] == '='
> || user_input[i] == '/' || user_input[i] == '?'
> || user_input[i] == '\'' || user_input[i] == '.'
> || user_input[i] == ',' || user_input[i] == ':' )
> strncpy(morse, ptrs[toupper(user_input[i])], 6);
>
> printf("%c = %s\n", user_input[i], morse);
>
> if ( morse[0] == NUL )
> delim(7);
> else { for (j = 0; j < strlen(morse); j++)
> { switch ( morse[j] )
> { case '-': dash(); delim(1); break;
> case '.': dot(); delim(1);
> }
> }
> delim(2); /* delim(1 + 2) */
> }
> }
>
> }
>
> Michel Castelein
> former Radio Officer
> (Merchant fleet/ H.R.N.S.-Brussels 34th promotion)
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Hello
i come from belgium too
i am from liege
si tu parles francais dis le moi vite!
i need your help please write me (email!!)
i trust you
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gaetan

173. Re: Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ad11bb.20540674@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182910

Grettings Ray
You are partially right.
During the pre-70's, most radio enthusiats got their exposure to 2 way radio via amateur radio.
During the 70's and 80's, most got their exposure to 2 way radio via cb.
During the 80, plus, most radio enthusiats are getting their exposure to 2 way radio from cb and scanners. Scanners are giving them exposure to above 30 mhz not necessarily below 30 mhz.

I, personally, believe that that is why sooo many radio enthusiats are are cb or above 30 mhz oriented.

That fact that we are currently using ssb may? be a controlling factor.

Cost might be a controlling factor as well, an hf radio $2000 and vhf radio 500ish, a cb under 100, a scanner?

Also most radio enthusiats don't relate cw to being a via communications mode since there has been soooo much negativizm thrown at it. Most amateurs, who use cw, can see/hear it's benefits, however most no cw users can't. That is another reason why amateur radio is not as popular as it was before.

Larry ve3fxq

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 15:25:10 GMT, algo@bellatlantic.net (R. Makul K1XV) wrote:

>When I was a young larva in the 1950's, I had a Heathkit AR-3 that I
>used to listen to for hours. Listening to hams on AM built my
>interest in ham radio, and in 1962, in my pupae stage (age 14) I got a
>novice license, and soon later a general. Most of my peers at that
>time got started in this way. We had little or no initial exposure to
>VHF.
>
>It recently occurred to me that the present use of SSB makes it very
>challenging for a SWL with listen in on ham radio, if they can listen
>at all, with modest receiving equipment.
>
>As a result, I think that fewer SWLs are exposed to the next step,
>becoming licensed. Instead, those who are newly licensed these days
>get their first exposure in some other way.
>
>It would be interesting to hear anecdotes as to how people first got

>inspired to get a license.
>
>73, and Happy New Year, Ray, K1XV

174. Re: Fewer SWLs becoming hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ad13b3.21044829@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182911

p.s. also shortwave listenning has been largely replaced by scanner listenning.
Larry

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>inspired to get a license.
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175. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-02 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ad4e6e.36082512@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182912
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi Jim
First happy new year
Second I must admit I kind of agreed with your concept of curiosity.
For me curiosity about crystal sets, radios (kits etc) and the idea of
amateur radio, I was also between 10 and 16 at the time, encouraged me
to become an amateur. To me, amateur radio was just something I had
to get. At first I couldn't see the need for the morse code until I
used it for a few months and its value slowly became apparent.
I tried ssb, for a while, but didn't like the click that were around,
so I went back to cw. During the early 70's, I joined up with the 2
meter fm crowd and became heavily involved with volunteer work, both
on and off the air. When packet became standardized I went over to
it.
I have been involved with the internet now for about 2 years, waiting
for amateur radio to rediscover itself and continue its technical
growth.
I personally believe that cw is a major benefit to hf operating and I
will be very much saddened if/when cw is not part of the hf amateur
exam.

Larry ve3fxq

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 10:59:17 -1000, Jim Reid <jreid@aloha.net> wrote:

>I think that becoming a Radio Amateur has NOTHING to do with knowing
>CW Morse Code. It HAS to do with Natural Curiosity!! The people who
>ought to become radio amateurs are not those who just want another
>mode to communicate. No, POTS is so cheap now, radio amateur status
>is NOT important to communicate (POTS = plain old telephone service).
>
>The people who have been becoming radio amateurs for at least the
>last 97 years or so, are the people who are CURIOUS about natural
>phenomena!! They are folks who once, perhaps learned the names of the
>stars
>and constellations; or, maybe they collected mineral rock samples as
>kids;
>they loved the science course in Jr Hi School, or today, I guess
>it is called Middle School! They went on in High School and took
>algebra, biology, chemistry, and maybe even some physics and
>elementary trig!!
>
>What IS important is What Have they Done BEFORE they decided
>they WANTED an amateur radio operators license!! Not what
>they do after. That will take care of itself quite naturally.

>
>The people who ought to be radio amateurs will WANT to learn about
>radio science and all the history of the art. They won't be
>afraid to learn CW Morse, nor have they been, nor are they now!
>Look at the 2176 new Extra Class (20 wpm CW) license earners/upgrades
>just in the first 11 months of 1997 (W5YI Report).
>
>As for being required by law to pass a CW test to operate as an
>HF SSB operator, I don't think so, but beefed up technical
>and electronic theory tests, without published answers should be
>mandatory. However, I know the US Gov. apparently by some
>sort of legislation or Civil Rights law must publish answers for their
>tests, but I disagree with this. And the tests should change
>questions regularly -- oh, of course this idea will be screamed down
>as unfair. Such unfairness arguments is what brought us the so called
>objective multiple choice/ true-false tests of today. I also believe the
>
>test should be about working problems, or writing down answers, no
>multiple guessing available! But, this was argued as too subjective
>on the part of the FCC Engineers who used to administer and grade
>such tests during the long ago.
>
>So, I believe the FCC ought to get out of the test make up
>business all together at let it become a full and total function by
>the VEC organizations. Yes, I know voluntary committees of
>amateurs make up the test questions now, but somehow the
>FCC is involved, and that should change so the amateur community
>can make up and vary the tests frequently, set up the rules,
>administer,
>and advise Gettysburg about who ought to receive a license.
>
>73, and just my own opinions.
>
>Jim, KH7M
>On the Garden Island of Kauai
>
>
>

176. Re: Thoughts on CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68n7uh$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182583

rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>Tony, hams, while usually eager to help the newcomer or the wannabe, argue a
>lot with their peers. It's just a fact of life. That doesn't mean we don't all
>like each other and cna't usually get along. This CW debate is just a
>continuation of the AM/SSB debate, which is a continuation of the Morse/Fone
>debate, which is a continuation of the Spark/CW debate. Hams have argued for
>and against RTTY, for and against accepting the cast-off HF bands that the LF
>and MF commercial guys thought were useless, for and against CW from an
>electronic keyer or a keyboard, I could go on and on.

I don't think so, RC. I think this time, it's different. I think something
happened that directed a lot of people to amateur radio that should
have been directed to the FRS or elsewhere. Now the American
welfare mentality has kicked in and the masses who are not really
sure why they are here are being prodded to scream for more. The
internet has provided us a medium by which we can argue with and
prod other people whom we could never argue with or prod before.
This is the right place for the sheep to come meet the shepherds.

I have never met more disoriented, disinterested people than the
ones who are entering ham radio right now. Questionnaires distributed
at local 'ham club' meetings asking about people interests in the
hobby come back blank. I agree that most hams are eager and willing
to help newcomers - I just don't think there are many newcomers
with enough interest in amateur radio that want to be helped. Nobody
wants to build a dipole anymore, they'd rather buy one from Gordon
West for $89.95. The fascination with the 'magic' of radio has
disappeared, and without the fascination, so has the interest. Anyone
who says the no code tech license has not caused people to flock
from the citizens band service to amateur radio is totally blind.
I don't mean to imply that anything is wrong with people from the
citizens band service, but the CB'ers I have met with no code tech
licenses have no idea why they are here and seem to lack the very
basic interests that use to bring people to the amateur service.
Our ten meter net from the local 'ham club' here recently disappeared,
and when I ask somebody where it went I was told 'Back to 27.645'.
When I asked why, 'More people to talk to'. These people had no
business wasting $6.00 on a ham license test in the first place.
A little more investigation revealed something totally amazing. These
guys actually think that if they caught on 27.645 with a linear, the
ham ticket is a get-out-of-jail-free card. I don't know who started
that rumor, but Billy Graham would probably like to meet him.
What a great reason to get a ham license.....

I honestly think that if you open up 20 meters to no code techs tomorrow, you will never see more than 5% of them on HF anyway, because they aren't motivated or interested enough to got put up a dipole and buy a radio. Eighty percent of the five percent who would show up on HF are already operating there now, irregardless of the fact they are not licensed to do so, probably because on some nights they find 'more people to talk to' on 20 meters than they do on 27.645 and they already have the radio.

The noise you see here is just that - noise.

Two classic examples.

Carl, WA6VSE, AKA Squiggy. Has had a tech license for 25+ years. Says he is dying to get on HF to do exciting digital experimentation that he can't do on VHF or UHF or anywhere else. Says he passed the CW tests years ago. Says he's an engineer, and has forgotten more about electronics and theory than most hams will ever know. Says he's an experienced HF operator from his days across the border in Mexico. For two years he has been in the newsgroups preaching the no code hardline, swearing, calling people names, insulting everyone who doesn't agree with him. If Carl was REALLY interested in getting on HF, he'd be there. He has all the qualifications. He's not interested in ham radio - he's only interested in making noise.

Len Andersen, AKA Grandpa Lenny. Old dude. Old as dirt. Years and years of commercial and military radio experience, or so he says. Quotes Microsoft Bookshelf and the CIA factbook with a flick of the wrist and a click of the mouse. Preaches the government shouldn't tell us what to do hardline. Expert in BBS messaging technology, refers to everyone by their last name as he apparently thinks that is cute. Very interested in radio, or so he says. Knows everything there is to know about radio, has built, tuned, and operated in ever commercial radio service know to mankind. Been whining in tune with Carl in this forum for a long time. Same whine, different day. Longs for the terrible government of the United States to grant every human being their God given right to the use of the HF bands without taking a CW test. But yet he doesn't even have a license. Not even a no code tech license. Nada. I honestly think that if the amateur radio service was abolished, Len would be much happier than if no code HF privileges were granted - he's not a ham so he has nothing to loose. He's not interested in ham radio - he's just interested in making noise.

We use to argue with the new guys, make fun of them, and then climb up on the roof and help them put up an antenna we'd made for them. These guys don't want antennas - they aren't interested in ham radio.

I GAVE an HF radio to a no code tech. I made him an antenna. I gave him some coax. I put the antenna up for him, and showed him how the radio worked. He gave me the whole works back a week later. Boring. Would rather watch TV. No interest. Why this guy is a ham is beyond me. Take an HF radio to a HAM club meeting and see how long it takes to give it away....

I'm sure a lot of new hams or people who are thinking about ham radio are confused by what they read here. People who are hams who come here looking for something interesting or constructive about ham radio don't usually stay here for long. Most things constructive that do get posted here get put into the 'no comment' file, as the usual group of noise makers aren't interested in anything constructive and the people looking for anything constructive are long gone. Anyone who doesn't know what ham radio is that comes along and reads this stuff would think hams are all a bunch of screaming idiots.

No code, pro code, coded, uncoded, whatever, what goes on here does no good for amateur radio whatsoever. Nobody is going to win. Everybody is going to loose. One of these days somebody who is holding the chain is going to get very tired of all the noise and simply pull the plug.

Anyway, RC, go away and come back in two years. I can assure you there will be one thing here that you will always find. Noise. But it's not the same noise, it's a much different kind of noise and I think it will be the last noise that ham radio makes.

73, Jim KH2D

177. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68nap5$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> wrote:

>Jim Kehler wrote:
>> Happy New Year Billy.

>Hey Jim, Happy New Year. Did you use CW during that grandaddy
>of a storm? :-)
>--
>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

We tried, Cecil, but it was so damn windy the DAHS kept blowing away.
DITS worked OK, not as much wind resistance..... Good thing we still
had that long, underwater, fiberoptics coax going to Hawaii - just used
the antenna over there.

73, Jim KH2D NAOACC (I don't have an employer)

178. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: fred@vaxxine.com
Message-ID: <68ne0kssk1@alpha2.vaxxine.com>
Source record: 182585
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Louis Bybee <louisb@datacomm.com> wrote:

>I have purchased a lot of things from Radio Shack and for the most part I have been
>treated well. EDITED

> Louis

>Dwight G. Bosselman wrote:

>> If you do buy Radio Shak, be sure to buy the service contract. EDITED
>> Beware when you buy! I surely won't waste my time or money on their stuff
>> again!
>>
>> 73 Dwight W9YQ
>>
>> John Lochey wrote:
>>
>> >
>> > DANO <kimo9@idt.net> wrote in article
>> > <01bd13ac$f1425200$081871ce@default>...
>> > > anyone had experience with rs mobile 2-meter rig. what did yiu think. can
>> > > it be converted for any goodies? is it worth the money they're asking?
>> > any
>> > > suggestions for something in the same price range.
>> > > DANO
>> > >
>>
>> --
>> 73 Dwight de W9YQ

Well we certainly seem to have some opinions above but I can only
speak for myself.I got one It went on sale 299. I think ? some time
last year. I like it for the money I spent.The only problems Ive had
at all is that the frequencies that I have in memories ie local
pd,fd,a simplex and a repeater accasionally get lost. BUT this may be
something that I am doing wrong in programming. The reason I bought
this (despite that I think that rs is over priced and under featured)

is that it was cheap and repairs cant be worse than all the rest of
the radios on the market (all the time in and waiting for expensive
parts). So bottom line I lke mine Would I trade it for anything else
NO. see ya

VE3-SAK Pete

179. Re: RDF file format

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ae23d2.2280136@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182586

Are you refering to RDF or PDF?
Larry

On Fri, 2 Jan 1998 16:17:29 -0800, "Paul Caesar" <pcaesar@devcor.com>
wrote:

>Does anyone have any info on the RDF file format used for Yaesu radio
>software (ADMS)?
>
>Thanks,
>Paul Caesar
>KF6FJV
>
>

180. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ae2172.1672303@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182587

I read in an old qst, about 20 years ago, that many non english
speaking countries, when they teach amateur radio to their club
members, also give them some elementary english leasons.
Also, I has been indicated on various newscasts, etc, that English is
the general language of international radio.

I find it interesting how so many pushers of dropping the code want
such detail in why we should learn the code.

Several years ago, at an amateur radio display, I met a fellow who was
going for his Canadian basic licence. He was adament that he would not
be using cw. The following year, I met the fellow, again, at the same
display and he told me he was preparing for his 12 wpm endorsement.

I asked him why, since he seemed so against the code. He told me that
after being on vhf, etc, for a few months, he soon got tired of the cb
like operating. He chatted to a fellow club member who suggested he
get his cw endorsement. He did. He tried ssb but was disatisfied
with what he was hearing on ssb, so, he is went to cw and is now
practicing for his 12 wpm so he can use 20 meters, etc.

He also told me that he is also helping his amateur radio club by
helping to teach the code and providing code practice, at the club.

Larry ve3fxq

On 2 Jan 1998 20:29:01 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>In article <67e2vs$av2$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys"
><rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> writes:
>
>>
>Michael Bruss <fzbruss@catbert.ucdavis.edu> wrote:
>> I'm curious about how
>>CW worked before the advent radio and ocillators,
>> i.e. the telegraph. I
>>have the impression that there was what amounted to
>> a clicking relay on the
>>receiving end. Was a dot two clicks close
>> together and a dash two clicks
>>further apart? Or was there some way to
>> vary the length of a click or
>>perhaps two types of click? Any of these
>> would appear to have been harder
>>to learn and use than an ocillator.
>

>> Mike
>
>
>Mprse telegraphy was originally meant to be used to punch holes in paper tape,
>which would then be read by eye with the use of templates. Operators quickly
>learned to copy by ear, even before this new-fangled telegraph idea really got
>off the ground. The sounder was born about the same time as the first
>long-distance (out of earshot) telegraph line. The paper punch idea was
>discarded for the next hundred years or so except in player pianos.
>
>You may have noticed that all really really old keys have two sets of
>contacts... MAKE and BREAK. I would assume ... well never mind what I assume.
>
>"ENGINEER'S MINI-NOTEBOOK, Communications Projects", by Forrest Mims III, Radio
>Shack, has a simple electromagnetic sounder in it that uses only MAKE and GND.
>Maybe the BREAK circuit engaged a damper that stopped the sounder vibrating? or
>maybe the BREAK simply ensured that the armature pulled away from the sounder
>plate, or maybe there were two sounder plates. Need to examine an antique
>sounder or do some reading.
>
>If you have ever used an antique key with the extra contacts, you probably were
>intrigued by the extra clack of the BREAK contacts. It sure does sound nice
>once you get used to it. Kinda sounds like the telegrapher on the really old
>westerns. At 20 WPM it sounds like you are really flying if you disable your
>side-tone and open the contacts up enough to hear them good.
>
>By the way, they wouldn't have called it CW (continuous wave) since it was DC.
>The term CW did not appear until well after the dawn of the fadio age, when the
>birth of the oscillator spelled Spark Gap mode's eventual demise. CW, DC
>telegraphy, and Spark are all on/off modulated with Morse Code, yet they are
>completely different modes and the term CW applies to only one of them.
>
>As far as difficulty in learning goes, I doubt that it would be much more
>difficult to learn Morse telegraphy with a well-designed sounder than with an
>oscillator. It's just whatever you get used to first, I think.
>
>73 evrbdy
>AB5VH
>73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

181. Re: ANTENNA LENGTH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ae27c0.3286138@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182588
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Dear Mr. Slime
Try http://www.crompton.com/wa3dsp/hamradio/antcalc.html
Larry

On Sat, 27 Dec 1997 23:24:17 -0600, Glenn Roberson
<kg5uc@piasanet.com> wrote:

>> Mr. Slime wrote:
>> >
>> > Hi.
>> >
>> > I want to know how to calculate the antenna length (well... I don't
>> > know how to but I have the advanced license !! That's kind of what
>> > we are talking about for nocode-code argument... we need more
>> > practical exam ;-)).
>> >
>> > Is it wavelength (MHz) = full wave ?
>> > wavelength / 2 = half wave ?
>> > wavelength / 4 = quarter wave ?
>> >
>> > I think you had something else that you have to consider, but I can't
>> > remember it...
>> >
>> > Thanks.
>> >
>> > Please e-mail me at slime@radiotelephone.net.
>> >
>
>The thing that amazes me is that anyone would want to demonstrate their ignorance
>of such a
>basic knowledge for the world to read. All Mr. Slime has to do is to go to his
>(or her) local
>library, obtain a copy of The Amateur Radio Handbook (it doesn't matter how old
>the copy;
>the formula for calculation of a dipole antenna is nearly as old as radio
>itself), and look it up.
>Undoubtedly, considering that Slime may not have easy access to a library, but
>does obviously
>have access to the Internet, there are many sites that also offer that
>information. All one
>needs to do is learn how to use the various search engines to get the
>information. That would
>surely relieve him/her of the necessity of embarrassing him/herself on a public
>forum.

>
>73 from Glenn - KG5UC
>
>

182. NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <1301359931-980103130100@privates.org>
Source record: 182589

RE: NO CODE vs CODE!
BY: CHIA@NEWS.UTK.EDU (JOHN R to ALL on Tue Dec 30 1997 01:08 am

> Path: inet-serv.com!chippy.visi.com!207.15.7.17.MISMATCH!news-out.visi.com!
> news-kc-17.sprintlink.net!news-east.sprintlink.net!news-peer.
> sprintlink.net!news-sea-19.sprintlink.net!news-in-west.sprintlink.net!
> news.sprintlink.net!Sprint!199.1.48.12!newsfeed.usit.net!utk.edu!not-
> for-mail
> From: chia@news.utk.edu (John R Alley)
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
>
> Bravo my fellow ham, I TOO am a No-Code tech (as of Sept 97 to be
> exact...). And I also WANT to see the Code KEPT and RETAINED for use in my
> (along with other Hams) future in the hobby. The code is a very valueable
> part of Amateur Radio and *I* want to continue to study until I can master
> it. Just my .02 worth.
>
> Chia
> 73 de KF4UAE
> John
Welcome to the hobby!
73 de N3JNC, Mark

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* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
---

183. 160 Meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <628494680-980103125000@privates.org>
Source record: 182590

RE: 160 Meter HT
BY: "GLENN" <GLENNMILLER@WORL to ALL on Tue Dec 30 1997 12:18 am

>A REALLY long telescoping antenna. HI!

I want one! ;)
73 Mark,N3JNC
---
* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

---
* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
---

184. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34AF1CB8.3689@icss.net>
Source record: 182591
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
> >On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 05:22:18 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
> >wrote:
>
> >>73, Jim KH2D
> >>http://www.knowcode.com/fastcode/learneasy/lessonplan/start/index.html
> >>ARRL Member For Another Month, Yona Village, Guam Island, Western Pacific Ocean
>
> >>Five Words A Minutes IS No Code !
> > ^^^^^^^^^^^
> >a minute.
>
> Sorry, Masa, been listening to too many JA's and BY's on my HF radio.
> Starting to suffer from a case of broken typing.
> You, of all people, should be correcting other peoples English on Usenet....
>
> >please explain what you mean by 5 WPM license is no code.
> >You don't know what you are talking about and that's the problem (of
> >pro-coders).
>
> Try talking to somebody at the rate of five words a minute. See how fast they
> fall asleep. We are talking about Morse code here, right Masa ? Turn your
> radio on 14.002 and give me a call, we'll see who knows what who's talking
> about.....
>
> >>Can't Get It UP ? - Join NoCode International and Help Destroy Ham Radio !
>
> >go to JA and have fun with amateur radio. they have millions of
> >people there.
>
> Thanks anyway, but too crowded, too expensive, too cold in the winter time,
> none of the street signs are in English, they don't use American money, they
> don't have VHF repeaters, they don't have autopatches, the VHF band is only
> half as big as it is here, they have only 10 kcs on the 75 meter phone band,
> they have to pay for a license every year, and I can hear millions of people in
> Japan when I turn my radio on anyway, so no need to go - every time I listen to
> fifteen meters I think I am already there. Plus we have millions of Japanese
> people in Guam every year anyway, so I can see them here at Kmart.
>
> Besides, amateur radio in Japan is no fun at all. If it was, then half the

> active Japanese HF operators wouldn't have U.S. vanity callsigns and be
> running all over the world to other places to play with the radio. Try busting
> a pileup on HF with 10 watts and then tell me how much fun it was. If ham
> radio in Japan is fun, one JA ham would not have flown to the U.S. to stand
> in line and get a vanity call sign from KH7, and he wouldn't have 10 or 11
> club callsigns issued to him from the U.S. If ham radio in Japan was fun,
> over half of the KH2 extra class calls wouldn't be issued to Japanese hams,
> most of whom have never been to Guam. If ham radio in Japan was fun,
> over half the KH0 extra class calls wouldn't be issued to Japanese hams,
> most of whom have never been to Saipan. If ham radio in Japan was fun,
> there would not be a bunch of W5YI VE teams in Tokyo giving U.S. exams.
>
> Every Japanese ham that I have ever met who enjoys ham radio just can't
> wait until the next time they can get out of Japan to enjoy it.
>
> Every time there is a major contest on HF, a group of hams from Japan
> drags 2000 pounds of antennas and equipment to Guam or Saipan for the
> contest. Japanese hams always come to my house to play with the radio,
> so I think it's safe to assume that ham radio in Japan is no fun at all,
> probably even less fun than W6 land.......
>
> So how's ham radio in Canada, Masa, is it fun there too ? Do they have
> lots of VHF repeaters, or do you just talk to cops on your HT ?
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

Jim, is Harry still selling licenses to the tourists? Brian

185. Re: Need weather satellite frequenties !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Yuk-Lun Ma M.D. / BV5DD/1" <bv5ddma@ms2.hinet.net>
Message-ID: <34AD753D.566DE7F9@ms2.hinet.net>
Source record: 182592
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.space,nl.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Laura Halliday ï¿½gï¿½Dï¿½G

> CRT wrote:
>
> > The internet has all satellite photo's. Why bother with that stuff?
>
> People have asked me exactly the same question when they see
> the APT pictures I receive (NOAA-12, NOAA-14 and Meteor 3-5).
>
> Why do I do it? Because I'm curious. Because I like to tinker
> with radio and electronics. The pictures, while neat, are
> merely a byproduct - it's the pleasure of taking a pile of bits
> and using them to receive signals from space that really matters.
>
> I'm currently improving my setup, and considering HRPT. S53MV's
> article in VHF Communications 3/97 was most inspiring...
> --
> Laura Halliday "Les cigognes se sont envolees
> ve7ldh@direct.ca Est-ce que nos promesses seront eternelles?
> Grid: CN89mg Les tournesols se sont refermes
> (Chenevez/Laporte) Peut-etre la vie est-elle encore belle."

Dear Sir, Yes, so many friends ask me the same questions in BV. I do
my set up and fine tuning of my partial homebrew station for APT. I
enjoy it not only the picture slowly appear on the screen, but also
improved of my interpretation of the raw data compared with that of the
TV.
It improved my technique and my horizon.
73

--
Yuk-Lun MA M.D. / BV5DD/1
Email:bv5ddma@ms2.hinet.net
Email:bv5dd@amsat.org
P.O.BOX 3-34, LOTUNG, I-LAN, TAIWAN 265

186. Re: Random Wire ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ad9d7e.56325568@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182593

I had the same problem before but I, hope, I found the cure.
I don't know your station layout but try this, Arrange it such that
your antenna comes in from one end of your station. Put your antenna
coupler and transceiver at the same end of your station. Put your
computer(s) and monitors as far away from you radio equipment as
possible. This should help to reduce the co-interference.
Larry ve3fxq

On 2 Jan 1998 11:51:23 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>The only real problem I have with random wires fed directly from a tuner is
>that you get a lof of RF in your computer on TX, and a lot of RF in your rig on
>RX when you have computer and anteena feed close together, or you have anything
>connecting the two such as a HAMCOMM interface, TNC, rig control interface,
>computer-controlled DDS, CW keyer, etc. I use a 100 foot end fed wire at home
>out a third floor window with counterpoises around my living room. It works,
>but stray RF sometimes is a problem. The nice thing is... no feedline losses!
>Also, you are not merely dealing with an impedence mismatcch,,, to a certain
>extent you are also resonating the antenna, so you have fair multi-band
>performance. Your ground system is of paramount importance with an end fed
>wire, unlike with a balanced antenna. If you experience key bite or heavy RFI
>especially only on certain frequenciies, your ground is probably at fault.
>Good luck with the wire... it can be made to work pretty well and it's
>certainly a cheap way to go.
>73 evrbdy
>AB5VH
>73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

187. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ad9b89.55824202@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182594
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I realise that possibly I should not be adding my two cents worth here
but I thought I might consider it.

Your comment at the end.

>coders: I thought CW made good amateurs !!

I my opinion you missed the meaning of the phrase. Before you lay
blame to cw for the rest of the text of your message, why not copy
some cw for a while. You might find that the average cw qso is much
less garbage mouthed than you might think.

Just because the person has passed the cw exam does not mean that he
will keep his language clean. If you listen to cw conversations more
you may find that they are far more oriented to the way that amateurs
used to communicate and I suspect that most amateur do communicate..

Larry ve3fxq

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 12:29:20 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

>following up to rec.radio.amateur.misc, rec.radio.amateur.policy for
>code/nocode debaters' interest:
>
>
>antenna42@aol.com (Antenna42) wrote:
>
>>> n5hdq@wf.quik.com said:
>
>>> I have been refered to as a 3950 jammer by some people in this group.
>>> Matter of fact I am, according to one, a passive jammer, what ever
>>> that is.
>
>>> Perhaps I should define a jammer, according to the 3950 liberty netters.
>
>>> A jammer is anyone who does not agree with the liberty net bunch.
>
>>> A jammer is anyone (who is not a liberty netter) who happens to start a
>>> QSO on 3950 when it is vacant. This denies the liberty net their right
>>> to free speech in that they can't come on 3950 and vent their
>>> frustrations about this and that and everything in general.
>
>
>>What a bunch of bullshit! Listen, N5HDQ, I am an swl that frequently listens

>>to 3950. While I don't think that you yourself are a "jammer", I have heard a
>>GREAT MAJORITY of the anti-patriotic hams (i.e., those who oppose the
>>Liberty Net people and/or free political talk in general) engage in willful,
>>obvious, malicious JAMMING. Here are the hams I have heard jamming 3950:
>>WA9KJI --- K5BLB ---- W5VVI ----WB0CXJ ---- KK7HO ---- K5ZU ----
>>A fellow called Art Studebaker (I can't remember his callsign) -----
>>and lately I've been hearing some hired thug called W9ART jamming
>>3950 almost every night. There are even more from "your" side
>>that I have heard jamming, but I can't remember all the callsigns.
>>I have heard only ONE ham that is more or less on the patriot's side
>>engaged in jamming, and that is W2YEE.
>>So when it comes to complaining about the operating practices of the
>>patriot group on 3950, N5HDQ, your complaints reek of hypocracy.
>>Tell "your" guys to clean up THEIR OWN act before they complain
>>about others!
>
>
>what a bunch of barbages on 80m ??
>
>
>
>coders: I thought CW made good amateurs !!
>
>
>
>_____
>
>Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
>Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

188. Want Items For Kenwood TS-850s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Joe K. Bales" <kc4osj@primarycomp.com>
Message-ID: <68m184$7au@sjx-ixn10.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182680
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Want to buy DRU-2 Digital Record Unit, DSP-100 External Digital Unit for Radio, and SO-2 TCXO,

email at kc4osj@primarycomp.com

joe bales

189. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1877$1e411b00$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182681

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<68kek8$251$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <01bd17e1$91382c20$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >The theory is necessary because ham radio is *supposed* to be a
> >technically-oriented service. We are allowed to build, adjust, repair,
> >etc. and are not required to use type-accepted equipment.
>
> There is NO REQUIREMENT that hams be "technical". Being technical is a
> CHOICE. Hams can be technical if they so choose, or not technical if they
> want to go that route.

That YOU choose to ignore the purpose and basis on which our service
was established and granted access to the spectrum doesn't make the
real reason disappear, Mike ...

Spouting ignorant things over and over again only compounds your
demonstration of your ignorance.

> Using your "I shouldn't have to take a code test, because operating code
> is an option" standard, theory examinations should likewise be eliminated.
>
>
> >I admit that today's tests don't do a very good job of assuring even a
> >modest degree of technical competence, but that's a different problem
>
> Fix that problem first, then we'll talk.

Fortunately, the subject is not in your hands for a decision ... we don't
HAVE to convince YOU ... only the government. If they do their job and
act responsibly, rather than abdicating to the ARRL as they have done in
the past, changes will occur ... get used to the idea ... you'll have to
live with it.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

190. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1877$a4bd82e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182682

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<68lbl3$2i3$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <68k7bl$o1g$1@news.inconnect.com>,
> John J. Trainor <jjtrainor@interworldnet.net> wrote:
>
> >I agree 100 percent with jeff@centuryinter.net. We don't want all these
> >tackey "NO-CODERS" crowding the SACRED HF bands. Don't you know if "WE"
> >(ARRL) let em in they might do somethin to upset all them old farts at ARRL.
> >So jeff I am asking your help to start a campaign to REQUIRE all applicants
> >for auto driver's license to demonstrate their proficiency in HORSE-BACK
> >RIDING before they can drive a car. You do know how to ride, don't you
> >jeff???
>
> Your analogy might have some merit if horseback riding had something to do
> with driving a car. It doesn't. On the other hand, CW is the second most
> popular mode in use on HF today. That alone makes it relevant.

Bullshit, Mike ... the privileges gained by jumping through the Morse hoop
have VIRTUALLY NOTHING to do with More skill. THAT is why many of us call
it a stupid hazing ritual.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
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191. Re: interference

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190201.OAA19764@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182683

In article <34A7FEE3.74F7@virgin.net>, simon grant <simon.grant@virgin.net>
writes:

>
HAS ANYBODY ANY SUGGESTIONS ABOUT GETTING RID OF INTERFERENCE FROM MY
>PC
MONITOR.I AM VERY SHORT OF SPACE AND I USE THE PC WHILST ON THE RADIO
ANY
>INFO WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED

BEST 73'S

SIMON

Simon, a grounded screen or metal barrier of some kind seems to help sheild
stuff a little bit if there is no room for good physical seperation. RF
chokes on Serial and Parallel cables, monitor and mouse cables, and power cords
can help. end-fed wire antennas pick up from and radiate to computers and
monitors also. I am using an end-fed wire at home, and I have problems even
with shielding and other RFI precautions. You just gotta do what you can and
tolerate what you can't get rid of.
You can get clamp-on ferrite chokes for a couple of bucks that sometimes help.
Remember that your monitor is sometimes worse than your computer for making
noise.

The ideal setup, which I can't afford and so far have been too lazy to build,
is a 19" rack setup. You can even get made-for-19"-rack computers and monitors,
though they cost a bit more. The military uses a lot of stuff like that partly
for space saving and physical security, and partly for ease of shielding. How
much shielding does your monitor have? not too much. The box has some, but
could be better.

If you run digital modes, it is really tough to keep stuff from interfering
with your other stuff. Shielded cable for connections to FSK ports, Serial
ports, mic and key jacks, etc really really helps.
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

192. Re: Puns-why not

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190201.OAA17217@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182684

Well, this is an irrelevant, out of topic subject but it is better than the pro/con CW flame war. Here's my stupidest one:

A rope enters a boar and orders a beer. The bartender sez: "Hey, beat it, buddy. We don't serve ropes in here." Dejected, the rope leaves. Then, he gets an idea. He ties himself into a bowline, unlays and frays his bitter end, and walks back into the bar.
"Heeeeey! You look familiar! Aren't you that rope I just ran outta here?"
"Nope. FRAYED KNOT!!!"
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

193. Re: VOX for the Kenwood TS-50?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190200.OAA19770@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182685

In article <68b1rt$aja@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, Jim Smith
<BEARAMI@worldnet.att.net> writes:

>
The Kenwood TS-50 is a great little radio with a draw back (No VOX).
Does
>anyone make anything that can be placed between the mike and the
radio that
>will provide VOX operations.

Thanks.

Jim (K4PPK)

sounds like a great homebrew project! You could easily build a nice outboard
"voxbox" with a lot of nice controls like variable hang time, audio level
threshhold, VU meter, variable gain, switch back to straight PTT, maybe even a
filter to keep background noise from causing VOX to key the PTT when there is
no speech. It should work great for most other solid state rigs w/o VOX.
I use the TS-50S for my main rig, but personally, I don't work fone and so care
not a bit about VOX, but I like to see us hams make stuff. I bet it would make
a popular article in QST or CQ.
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

194. Re: Eric Oyen

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190200.OAA17224@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182686

So what?
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

195. Re: Thoughts on CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190200.OAA19779@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182687

Tony, hams, while usually eager to help the newcomer or the wannabe, argue a lot with their peers. It's just a fact of life. That doesn't mean we don't all like each other and cna't usually get along. This CW debate is just a continuation of the AM/SSB debate, which is a continuation of the Morse/Fone debate, which is a continuation of the Spark/CW debate. Hams have argued for and against RTTY, for and against accepting the cast-off HF bands that the LF and MF commercial guys thought were useless, for and against CW from an electronic keyer or a keyboard, I could go on and on. Don't let these sometimes childish and over-spirited debates sour you on hamming or even upgrading. Most of the loudest and most obnoxious voices on the newsgroups or on the air are just the nicest guys you ever met when they are within punch-in-the-nose range of each other. We sometimes forget, I think, that there is a real live human on the other end of the link. Even us CW ops are not immune to this depersonalization... the only reason CW ops are so polite on the air is because it takes longer to send rude comments, and therefore is not worth the effort for the tiny bit of satisfaction such rudeness brings! Hey... now there's a pro-CW argument I never thought of! See... there I go again!!!

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

196. Re: 12wpm CW = 8 baud

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103190200.OAA17236@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182688

In article <68aqcs$k8o$2@usenet40.supernews.com>, "Bill R" <n9br@mc.net>
writes:

>
Charles,
CW and Packet aren't the same. You will never
get a tnc to
>pick up anything more than garbage when
the signals are very very weak,
>whereas the human ear
will be able to pull info out.

Charles, I am very pro-CW, but a TNC CAN pick some signals out of the muck pretty well, especially with a good DSP implementation for filtering. It is easier for the machine to pick out data when there is a constant tone that is shifted in frequency. CW is on/off, and while detecting the ON state is pretty easy, detecting the OFF state is tougher. How do you determine whether the apparant OFF bit is a true OFF or just fading, for example? does that apparant OFF state acually exist, or not? One state is ambiguous while the other isn't. On the other hand, MARK/SPACE determination is easier for a TNC, and this task it does well. If neither Mark nor Space is detected, It can be assumed that neither state exists. Maybe I'm not explaining this clearly enough, but anyway, a really good DSP loaded TNC can indeed do wonders with FSK signals down in the noise, and compares favorably with the trained ear doing CW, which TNC's ARE still a bit shaky on Even ASCII and RTTY jump right out at your screen with a really good setup, and the error-correcting "cricket" modes of course do even better.
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

197. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Alan Anderson <James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com>
Message-ID: <#9vvqyHG9GA.266@upnetnews03>
Source record: 182689

OOPPSS forgot a dit......

WK1V wrote in message <34AE345C.8A8564EC@shore.net>...
>Alan Anderson wrote:
>
>> Maybe that the Bill is directed at CB only.....
>>
>> Way around the problem.....get an amateur license......
>>
>> That should get a few million people that memorized enough answers to
>> pass......
>>
>> Alan
>> (Dit Da, Da Dit Dit, Dit Da, Da Dit)....... Just practicing.....
>
> A D A N
>(diddydahdahdidit) ?
>
>--
>j:) -=wk1v=-
>
>

198. WTB HEATHKIT SIXER LUNCHBOX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: radiowalt@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103192600.OAA22848@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182690

HELLO TO ALL.. I WOULD LIKE TO FIND A MINT, TO NEAR MINT
HEATH SIXER.

THANKS, WALTER LOS ANGELES 818-883-8282

WTB HEATHKIT SIXER LUNCHBOX

199. ***HAM RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR SALE***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: SuperBrad <SuperBrad@Home.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1881$1cd96920$1110dfd0@kb0nza>
Source record: 182691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.b

Ham Radios For Sale!
HF Equipment
I have a Kenwood TS-430S in like new condition. With mic and
internal filters! This rig also has the FM board in it for working
those great 10 Meter repeaters! It has a general coverage
receiver for listening to Military and Maritime traffic. It has been
professionally modified for MARS/CAP and WARC bands.

HF Equipment
I also have an automatic antenna tuner. It is a Kenwood AT-250
and is a matching set for the TS-430 listed above. This will tune
almost any antenna to work where ever you want it to. Also in
like new condition!

VHF All Mode!
I have an Icom IC-290H 25watt all-mode 2 meter rig. This is an
older rig but works great! This is one of the radios that was built
to last. It has FM, USB, LSB, and CW.

If you are interested please send me some E-Mail at the address below
and we can discuss pricing. Or check out my web site ad - the URL is
also listed below!

****
* Brad Cunningham KB0NZA *
* E-Mail: Brad@dialnet.net *
* URL: http://members.dialnet.net/brad *
****

200. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68m3r7$33o$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34ae3836.4700038@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
>people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
>trying to understand other languages.

This isn't a japanese newsgroup. It is an english newsgroup. While I understand the issues associated with gramatical composition in foreign languages, the fact remains that you are participating in a written, not spoken, forum, and thus have an opportunity to read what you write, and make adjustments as necessary. I don't flame you due to your spelling or diction (even the best of us slip up sometimes), but I am telling you that your "ESL handicap" nonetheless, you still look ignorant when you can't form a cohesive paragraph.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

201. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34AE9E8E.63A6@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 182693
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:
> Happy New Year Billy.

Hey Jim, Happy New Year. Did you use CW during that grandaddy
of a storm? :-)
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

202. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: petermaus@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103195401.OAA26259@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182694

>> >Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right
>to
>> >shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.
>>
>> or "FIRE!" at an NRA convention.
>

>Yeah, but don't you have to shout, "READY, AIM!" first?

No, they've done away with that code requirement.

203. Re: Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34AE8D15.5F50@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182695
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> http://www.nocode.org/articles/maia2.html
> -> excellent article
>
> http://www.nocode.org
>
> see comments made by EXTRA amateurs.
>
> Visit this excellent site
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> http://www.nocode.org
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>
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> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ------------------------------------------------------------------------
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>
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Somebody buy Cutie Boy and Rambo a set of code practice tapes so we
don't have to look at this thread anymore.

Cutie, it is not within the Amateur Community, ARRL, or even the FCC's
authority to do completely away with the code. And we will not have
that power until the ITU does away with the requirement. I know you
already have been told that. So PLEASE whining and call you
congressman! He/she is probably the only person who can have influence
on an international issue such as this.

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net
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204. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34AE8EBD.6070@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182696
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 08:37:01 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
> >Hey Masa, forget about French, I'd work on my English a little more.
>
> whatelse do you know besides English :(?
>
> ----------
> Visit this excellent site
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Ok that does it, would all the HAMS, like me start posting their message
is written out morse code, such as: --. --- .- .-- .- -.--
-.-. ..- - .. . -... --- -.--

73 All others
Ed Legenza
N6Xa

205. Re: Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68m49t$35f$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182697
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34ae4f56.10621042@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>http://www.nocode.org/articles/maia2.html
> -> excellent article

Fred "I make a living off selling test prep material" Maia?
I'm supposed to assume that an article written by him is
"impartial"? This, from the same guy who tries to weasel $5
out of every licensed amateur for their "license renewal"?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

206. Re: trunk tracker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "P. Langevin" <plangevin@kiwi.dep.anl.gov>
Message-ID: <34AE5C2D.616B@kiwi.dep.anl.gov>
Source record: 182698
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Thanks for responding Mark, I'l give it a try an let you know what
happens. I live in Illinois so I hope we have that defalt system here.
Thanks Ed

207. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae9f61.4583207@news.total.net>
Source record: 182699
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 3 Jan 1998 13:18:54 -0500, Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
wrote:

> When our "freenet" here in Montreal died in 1996 after only
>four months in operation, management claimed that people weren't
>interested. But the project was so invisible that not enough people knew
>about it to make that kind of judgement. None of the people I told
>about it knew that it was online.

I believe you are referring to "Club Libertel."

I talked to the person who is responsible for this club [freenet]. I
was looking for the freenet when I arrived Montreal and I couldn't
find one. I saw Club Libertel was looking for volunteers for
organizing the freenet... I saw it in the university newsgroup.

I contacted them and told them I could help... and la la la la.....
well... what I found out that many people weren't interested in
volunteering the Club Libertel. As a result, they became corrupt.

>newsgroups aren't being used for announcements of code and theory classes
>and hamfests, or even the existence of ham clubs. Sure, those
>announcements won't reach a lot of people, but considering how little
>effort it takes, it is shocking that these things aren't being used.

true.

> It's
>the local newsgroups that will reach new people, not the amateur radio
>newsgroups where people have to actually know about the hobby in the
>first place. But I don't see the Montreal ham clubs, and many of them
>are already on the internet, even using the rec.radio.amateur.*
>newsgroups.

actually I advertised my amateur radio web page and my study guide
etc., in can.general and such.

>And when amateur radio does get mentioned in public (ie away from the
>closed societies of the newsgroups and the clubs and amateur radio itself)
>too often the message is from the standpoint of someone who already knows
>about amateur radio. If you look at it from the standpoint of not
>knowing anything about the hobby, you get a different picture. Things
>that aren't important to the beginner get thrown in, and things that are
>obvious to hams don't get mentioned.

also too is... that the publication isn't available from local
bookstore (electronic section). well... RS has some of the
publications, but limited...

>Amateur radio, in both Canada and the US is easier than ever to get into.
>In both countries, that great wall, the code, is no longer a requirement
>to getting started.

> I'm not sure there is a need for more people to
>join the hobby.

internet is kinda almost free [or unlimited_access available] in north
america. it's not free in japan (because you have to pay for local
phone calls... about 10 cents a minute). that's what you want to
consider as well...

> I know that once things started on that path, the need
>for more people became a necessity, because by changing it from
> a technical hobby the need to justify the ham spectrum became dependent=20
>on lots of people using that spectrum.

> But there are a lot of things
>not being done that would bring people to the hobby, instead of resting
>on the hope that no code and simpler tests will make things better.

I could do one thing. I agree. That's why I wrote the study guide
for both amateur and professional. I see at least 10 downloadings
each day and I am happy with it. For the professional study guide,
I included how one can take a test and so on. We must have some
kinda instruction or publication nearby...

In general, the people don't want to spend 100s of hours when
something else [which is cheaper and more efficient] is available.
That's one of the problems.

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208. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chuck Crews <crews@erols.com>
Message-ID: <68m8fm$1ms$1@winter.news.erols.com>
Source record: 182700
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

I have owned a RS HT-220 for years now. I prefer it over my Alinco HT most of the time.

Do not try to modify the Radio Shack HT-220. I have read too many horror stories about those who have tried.

I am a U.S. Navy Electronics Technician. I have gone over the schematics for the radio. There are no "SAFE" mods to be accomplished. I know of two people that have tried a "Safe Mod" on their radio. They both were destroyed. Radio Shack had the radio built this way on purpose.

73 de KD4REL

209. Re: the WWW's largest YL page.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Amor Powers, Radio" <power@radio.ca>
Message-ID: <34AEA308.2619@radio.ca>
Source record: 182701

Lee wrote:
[YL Links...]

> is still at the website of the Stones River ARC

http://www.vol.com/~rfi/stones.html

and others at Linda's page...
http://earth.vol.com/~rfi//yl.html

Amor Powers

210. Re: 160 Meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: dgf@netcom.com
Message-ID: <dgfEM87ov.2uI@netcom.com>
Source record: 182702
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <34a82f45.1519437@news.total.net> slime@radiotelephone.net.ham writes:
>On 29 Dec 1997 07:06:25 GMT, "Mr. Punhorl Abheinne"
><eldive@preform.net> wrote:
>
>>I having bad english so pleese excuis. Am look for 160 meter HT for to us
>>in montans. Ane help?
>>
>I know the company called "MIZUHO" makes a 20m HT.
>
>I don't know if they make one for 160m, but worth while to look at.

Mizuho doesn't make 160M HT (they DO make 3.5 MHz SSB/CW HT but it is
design mainly for coverage in 3.5-3.6 MHz range, the JA band, so use
in north america is limited to CW).

Long ago another company AMERICAN STATES ELECTRONICS manufactuered
a HT called "MM-2C". It is SINGLE FREQUENCY 5 watt LSB hand-held
which can be configured to operate on a frequency between 1.5 and
about 10 MHz. The 455 kHz IF (using Collins SSB filter!) limits upper
frequency range due to image issues.

The HT is *VERY* large by modern standards (over 1kg), and long since
out of production, but it does fit the definition of 160M HT if you
set it up in the 160M ham band.

The unit I have is complete but not operational; it is one of my "projects"
for future!

73 Dave WB0GAZ dgf@netcom.com

211. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34aeb1a7.9261423@news.total.net>
Source record: 182703
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 12:24:46 -0800, W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
wrote:

>Jim Kehler wrote:

>> Happy New Year Billy.

>Hey Jim, Happy New Year. Did you use CW during that grandaddy
>of a storm? :-)
>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

hahahah... a very good joke. excellent job !!

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212. Re: IC 706 mkII

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: h0444xrp@blablarz.hu-berlin.de
Message-ID: <34ad7a3d.9706785@newshost.rz.hu-berlin.de>
Source record: 182704

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 05:48:16 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
wrote:

>Jerome Buie <djbuie@nettally.com> wrote:
>
>>has anyone made transmitter changes (IE all freq. open) to a new 706 ?
>>IF so what is this change.
>
>>KB4POA
>
>Cut diode D16 on the main circuit board. That should do it.....
Never heard of that... I cut four diodes (D10x... can't remember) and
it works. Even in BC (88-108) transmission is possible in NFM
(although no power regulation available any more - constant 15wtts).

73! de Olaf

Olaf Fichtner, Humboldt University, Chinese&Japanese Department
DL7UND, Member of JAIG #133 AX.25: DL7UND@DB0GR.#BLN.DEU.EU
Please delete "blabla" in the address for correct reply...

213. Re: Adding RIT to Atlas 210X

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AE936A.E67B23D2@flash.net>
Source record: 182705

Mark wrote:

> Help! I love my Atlas 210X but it needs an RIT control (I use RTTY and
>
> SSTV). Could someone E-mail me some plans or a schematic of an easy to
>
> install RIT control for an Atlas 210X. Thanks.....KB4AEP
>
> E-mail crslex@iglou.com

Look inside and tell me if yours is using the SG-9 board as the IF and reciever, if so I'll send you a copy of the board schematics.

Tim, ka8ddz

214. Re: no code international..ha ha joke joke

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34aeaf98.8735177@news.total.net>
Source record: 182706
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 12:51:17 -0600, 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET wrote:

>....ENTER THE NO CODE INTERNATIONAL WEB SITE AND NOTICE
>WITHOUT DOING ANYTHING , WHEN YOU SIGN IN , THEY WILL
>COUNT YOU AS A SUPPORTER OF THEIR NO CODE CAUSE.. COUNTING
>PEOPLE IN THIS MANNER.. REALLY BEGS TO ASK THE QUESTION..

Where did you get this ?? Are you responsible for no-code
international's web site ?? Good for you !!

>IS THEIR A SO CALLED NO CODE MAJORITY.. NO NOT AT ALL..

>FOR ONE THING THE HAM COMMUNITY INCLUDING THOUSANDS OF NEW
>NO CODE TICKET HOLDERS SUPPORT KEEPING CODE AS A LICENSING
>REQUIRMENT...THIS MAY BE BIASED IN SOME PRO NO CODERS MIND
>BUT EVER NOTICE THAT THE POSTS ON THIS NEWSGROUP IN FAVOR
>OF NO CODE ORIGINATE

> from the same few people?

>attitude... HEY IF THE NO CODE HAMS (OF WHICH TICKET
>HOLDERS NUMBER IN THE THOUSANDS) AND THE "MEMBERS"
>OF THE NO CODE INTERNATIONAL SO STRONGLY SUPPORT THE NO
>CODE CONCEPT THEN LETS HERE FROM MORE THAN JUST THE FEW
>WHO POST DAY IN AND DAY OUT ON THIS NEWGROUP,

Visit no code international's web site. They are basically created
and maintained by US "EXTRA" hams. Check the call signs on the
no-code international's web site (through http://www.qrz.com or some
other ways).

I signed in and I hold a code also. You don't know what you are
talking about and that's the problem for pro-coders nowadays.

> LETS HEAR
>FROM THE " THOUSANDS OF NO CODE SUPPORTERS ".. WHERE ARE
>YOU NO CODERS???

again, no code international has been supported by many coders and had
originated by coders.

>73 KNOW CODE... NOT NO CODE

Hi hi... I know code !!!!!

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215. It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ae6380.18584832@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182707
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

It sounds to me like radio enthusiats want access voice only on the
amateur hf bands. In the vast majority of anti-code comments there is
no comment about 'I want to be able to use packet or amtor etc.
There is, however, lots of references to the voice used on 80 and 20.

Is this true?

Larry ve3fxq

216. Re: Psywar

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34b0a812.6334167@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182708

kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) wrote:

>iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:
>
>
> > There are others like Carl out there. When we bring enough of these
> > like-minded persons together, we will rise up -- rise up and dominate!
>
>No, when you get everbody to think like Carl, you can put
>a fence around the United States and call it the worlds biggest mental
>institution.

You're as bad as they are. Worse, actually, because at least Carl occasionally had something interesting and on-topic to say. All you do is whine.

Dammit, I'm going to get rid of all these off-topic CW posts if I have to killfile every last one of you.

<PLONK>
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

217. Trade: Dell Latitude Notebook for FL-2100B

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Sam & Jeannette <klassi@onr.com>
Message-ID: <68mgpgbsr1@mari.onr.com>
Source record: 182709

I have a Dell Latitude notebook that I would like to trade. It is a 450 mhz with a TFT LCD. 8 meg of memory and a 300 meg HDD. I would like to trade for a Yaesu FL-2100B Amp.

This little notebook makes a great shack computer. No CRT to make interference. I use it for logging and TNC work.

Sam
N5WU

218. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34aecfd3.16987284@news.total.net>
Source record: 182710
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wrote:

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sorry... I was confusing the "storm." I didn't know there
was a "CW storm" on new years eve.
please ignore my last follow-up.

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219. Chevy Venture & 2 Meters?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: zaax@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103235700.SAA24334@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182711

I am considering getting a Chevy Venture and was wondering if anyone out there owns one. If you do, do you use it on 2 meters and have you had any problems running it mobile? I have a Yaesu Ft-3000m that I would run at 70 watts. Any problems with higher powers like that? How do you like the van in general? Any problems? Would you buy one again? What do you like about it? Any replies on the above will be greatly appreciated.

73
Zack Schindler
N8FNR

220. Re: December Stats

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34aed072.17146055@news.total.net>
Source record: 182712
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On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 12:52:40 -1000, Jim Reid <jreid@aloha.net> wrote:

>> These were new licenses issued by the FCC in each class during December:
>>
>> Extra=2 Advanced=3 General=19 Tech+=110 Tech=931 Novice=46 Total=1,111
>
>However, you evidently overlooked the license upgrades in Dec. '97.
>There were, in fact, 192 upgrades to the Extra license, of which
>129 were Advanced Class upgrading to Extra. The 2 you reported
>are those fortunate few who walk into a VE session "off the street"
>with no Amateur license, and go all the way in one session!! We
>hear about only occasionally, but it happens every month! Also,
>apparently 63 Generals or combination of Generals, Tech+, Tech,
>and/or Novice holders skipped grades, and went on to qualify for
>Extra licenses. Altogether, there were 831 license upgrades
>during Dec, 645 requiring a CW test (excepting the 186
>upgrading to Advanced) requiring a 13 or 20 wpm pass score.

>So, in fact, Extra increases more than kept up with the 120 you calculate
>would be required to "keep up" the percentages.

>73, Jim, KH7M
>On the Garden Island of Kauai

Hi. How many extras became silent keys in December ?? what a heck
in all classes ??

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221. Re: Heading to Dayton without a room? Never fear!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: mamoman@xs2.xs4all.nl
Message-ID: <68mjbc$99n$1@news2.xs4all.nl>
Source record: 182713

Yep, I just went last year a week before I knew about it, and still had a
room (university) it was my first time in USA and it was wonderfull to see
so many amateurs.. I have also been to Germany that is small compared to
Dayton. I am going again this year for sure.

'73
Martin
PD1AJE
pd1aje@lost.demon.nl
The Netherlands.

Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I] (ham@w3eax.umd.edu) wrote:
: Fortunately, this isn't me this year, but several years ago, it was...

: Throwing caution to the wind, heading to Dayton without reservations.

: It's a good reason to be an active ham. If you head out there, you
: will surely meet up with at least ONE person you know who will
: be in a position to share a room with you.

: Alternately, hotels DO have cancellations, even for Hamvention.

: I always tell friends who waffle because they don't have room reser-
: vations,

: "Just go, get the experience, enjoy it, and we'll find a place for
: you to sleep, somewhere, somehow."

: And hams are hams, and it never fails.

: Of course, I now make my reservations upon departing from the hotel
: at the end of Hamvention...I have learned :)

: BUT in an attempt to preserve the enjoyment of others who didn't
: have the foresight, or the experience to know to do this, I
: always reserve four rooms.
: --
: * Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
: * 6m 80 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
: * Charter member, Maryland Milliwatters * W3-VK on 3w mobile CW *
: *** 301-549-1022 h / 301-982-1015 w ** Life is one big hamfest ***

222. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET
Message-ID: <883873187.878182404@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182714

In article <34AE9E8E.63A6@sedona.intel.com>,
W6RCA@IBM.NET wrote:
>
> Jim Kehler wrote:
> > Happy New Year Billy.
>
> Hey Jim, Happy New Year. Did you use CW during that grandaddy
> of a storm? :-)
> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

yep cw only , it was the only mode to get through..but
with you on the other.. with no copy ability, what good
did it do!!!!!

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

223. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Patrick Wilson <pw@i2020.net>
Message-ID: <68mnk4$aab1@news.i2020.net>
Source record: 182715
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

You have got to be joking. Excellent electronic technicians do not give a rats ass about Amateur Radio.

So that argument is as stupid as having to learn code to be a good ham.

What a bunch of chickenshit losers we sound like to the rest of the world.

Give a real test instead of giving the damned answers, then the REAL whining will begin.

Cutie Boy wrote in message <34ae51e7.11278286@news.total.net>...
>Quote (http://www.goodnet.com/~lenwink/wog.htm):
>
>> If people want to use it, use it. (...)
>> I repeat, NOBODY I have ever talked to wants to get rid of Code,
>> just the requirement (...)
>> people who like it will use it.
>
>Agreed. Blow job. If you want to use CW, go ahead and use it.
>We shouldn't ban CW; rather, we want to see CW doesn't block HF access
>for excellent electronic technicians who like to communicate by voice
>on HF.
>
>
>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org
>
>Gar�on Mignon (�galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

224. FS PRO 2004

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Patrick Wilson <pw@i2020.net>
Message-ID: <68mn98$sur1@news.i2020.net>
Source record: 182716

Forsale Pro 2004 in the box with the manual and antenna. Premium shape, no holes drilled, just modded for 800mhz.

350.00 and I pay shipping.

N5PW

225. Wanted: Old TV technical articles

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: mikemari@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <883878040.1006567442@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182717

I am doing research on consumer electronics products which came out during the late 60s to the mid 70s. In particular I am looking for articles appearing in radio and computer magazines (eg. 73, QST, Byte, Kilobaud, Popular Electronics, SMPTE and IEEE magazines) which discussed television sets using ON SCREEN parameter displays indicating volume, brightness, channel etc., for example, by using video graphic bars, broken lines, and/or alpha numeric characters. I will pay $3.00 each for any articles which I feel are useful. Can you help??? You were saving those old magazines for a reason---here it is! Thanks, Please reply directly to: mikemari@ix.netcom.com with a list/description/date of what you have. Happy New Year, Mike

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

226. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68ms5p$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182718
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 05:22:18 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
>wrote:

>>73, Jim KH2D
>>http://www.knowcode.com/fastcode/learneasy/lessonplan/start/index.html
>>ARRL Member For Another Month, Yona Village, Guam Island, Western Pacific Ocean

>>Five Words A Minutes IS No Code !
> ^^^^^^^^^^^
>a minute.

Sorry, Masa, been listening to too many JA's and BY's on my HF radio.
Starting to suffer from a case of broken typing.
You, of all people, should be correcting other peoples English on Usenet....

>please explain what you mean by 5 WPM license is no code.
>You don't know what you are talking about and that's the problem (of
>pro-coders).

Try talking to somebody at the rate of five words a minute. See how fast they fall asleep. We are talking about Morse code here, right Masa ? Turn your radio on 14.002 and give me a call, we'll see who knows what who's talking about.....

>>Can't Get It UP ? - Join NoCode International and Help Destroy Ham Radio !

>go to JA and have fun with amateur radio. they have millions of
>people there.

Thanks anyway, but too crowded, too expensive, too cold in the winter time, none of the street signs are in English, they don't use American money, they don't have VHF repeaters, they don't have autopatches, the VHF band is only half as big as it is here, they have only 10 kcs on the 75 meter phone band, they have to pay for a license every year, and I can hear millions of people in Japan when I turn my radio on anyway, so no need to go - every time I listen to fifteen meters I think I am already there. Plus we have millions of Japanese people in Guam every year anyway, so I can see them here at Kmart.

Besides, amateur radio in Japan is no fun at all. If it was, then half the active Japanese HF operators wouldn't have U.S. vanity callsigns and be running all over the world to other places to play with the radio. Try busting a pileup on HF with 10 watts and then tell me how much fun it was. If ham radio in Japan is fun, one JA ham would not have flown to the U.S. to stand in line and get a vanity call sign from KH7, and he wouldn't have 10 or 11

club callsigns issued to him from the U.S. If ham radio in Japan was fun, over half of the KH2 extra class calls wouldn't be issued to Japanese hams, most of whom have never been to Guam. If ham radio in Japan was fun, over half the KH0 extra class calls wouldn't be issued to Japanese hams, most of whom have never been to Saipan. If ham radio in Japan was fun, there would not be a bunch of W5YI VE teams in Tokyo giving U.S. exams.

Every Japanese ham that I have ever met who enjoys ham radio just can't wait until the next time they can get out of Japan to enjoy it.

Every time there is a major contest on HF, a group of hams from Japan drags 2000 pounds of antennas and equipment to Guam or Saipan for the contest. Japanese hams always come to my house to play with the radio, so I think it's safe to assume that ham radio in Japan is no fun at all, probably even less fun than W6 land.......

So how's ham radio in Canada, Masa, is it fun there too ? Do they have lots of VHF repeaters, or do you just talk to cops on your HT ?

73, Jim KH2D

227. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68msod$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182719
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 08:37:01 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>>> Quote (http://www.goodnet.com/~lenwink/wog.htm):

>>> > If people want to use it, use it. (...)
>>> > I repeat, NOBODY I have ever talked to wants to get rid of Code,
>>> > just the requirement (...)
>>> > people who like it will use it.

>>> Agreed. Blow job. If you want to use CW, go ahead and use it.
>>> We shouldn't ban CW; rather, we want to see CW doesn't block HF access
>>> for excellent electronic technicians who like to communicate by voice
>>> on HF.

>>Hey Masa, forget about French, I'd work on my English a little more."Blow Job?"
>>been a long time eh pal?

>do you know metaphor ??

Never mind METAPHOR, M@S@, go look up MASSAGE PARLOR in your French
dictionary....

73, Jim KH2D

228. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68mtc3$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182720
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 08:37:01 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>>Hey Masa, forget about French, I'd work on my English a little more.

>whatelse do you know besides English :(?

Well, I can copy Morse code about 35 or 40 words per minute..... I can say
Mushi Mushi when I answer the phone, my dog responds to hand signals,
I can say 'good morning', 'good evening', and 'good afternoon' in Tagalog,
I can say 'thank you' in Russian, and I can ask where the bathroom is in
Japanese.

But I flunked Flench in high school, so I guess with two weeks experience,
you're one up on me M@S@.....

I'd also like to take this opportunity to apologize for the gentleman who called
you an 'exchange student'. Nobody in their right mind would ever exchange a
perfectly good Canadian for you........

73, Jim KH2D

229. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68mu91$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182721
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 04:12:08 GMT, "Michel Morin"
><morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca> wrote:

>>Larry

>> Cutie boy alias M@s@ is an exchange student from Japan, not a fellow
>>Canadian.

>and you don't know that I am NOT NOT NOT an exchange student.
>I am a international student who is willing to take a "degree."

You couldn't be an exchange student, M@S@. Nobody in their right mind
would exchange a perfectly good Canadian for you.

>you don't know what you are talking about and that's a real problem
>for amateur radio. it turns the people away from amateur radio.

This isn't amateur radio. This is the internet, more specifically, usenet.
Amateur radio is connected to the black wire that goes out the window to
the antenna. This is connected to the telephone. No damn wonder you
can't learn Morse code M@S@, you can't tell the difference between a
radio and a telephone.

Hi. Dozo, Air-e-ga-toe goes zai mush ta, Emo san.

73, Jim KH2D
Save a VHF Repeater - Eat a No Code Tech Today !

230. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68muk3$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182722
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>>>Roll is at it again ... most everyone else has realize that
>>>"Masa" is apparently a Japanese student studying in Canada.
>>>As such, English is not his primary language, but Roll insists
>>>on slamming him because his English is not up to "Roll's Standards
>>>of Excellence" (something like "Roll's Standards of Beeping Skills"

>and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
>people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
>trying to understand other languages.

Another sterling example of the application of the Queens language.

I don't know, M@S@ san, I think if you check the statistics, probably
more Americans speak Spanish than they do English. Anyway, you
will always be ICHI BAN EMO SAN in my book, no matter what language
you use.......

73, Jim KH2D

231. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68mumh$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182723
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 04:12:08 GMT, "Michel Morin"
><morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca> wrote:

>> You should read his French, it's much worse than his English.

>I study French by myself, not even taking a course (I am studying it
>for two weeks now... during the winter break).

>Just wanted to let you know...

>By the way, I've been studied English for only 4 years.

You sure could have fooled me......

73, Jim KH2D

232. Re: 160 Meter HT, AH-100 SSB HF HT with transverter?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Amor Powers, Radio" <power@radio.ca>
Message-ID: <34AEFCB2.77C8@radio.ca>
Source record: 182724
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

> >On 29 Dec 1997 07:06:25 GMT, "Mr. Punhorl Abheinne"
> ><eldive@preform.net> wrote: Am look for 160 meter HT for to us
> >>in mountains. Ane help?

Your best buy for an SSB HT available now is a Cherokee AH-100 SSB/AM Handheld. http://www.bills2way.com/equip/ah100.html
It is the most powerful HT for HF-SSB at low cost. 7 Watts. US$220.
It could be used with a small transverter for 160meters.

I don't know of any 160m commercially available transverters, but a small portable transverter is much simpler to homebrew than a complete SSB handheld. There was a homebrew article for a 160m transverter in the 1974 (or 1975?) ARRL Handbook I think... :-)

The efficiency of an HT antenna is very low on 160m. It is unlikely you will get out very well with low power without a longer external portable type antenna.

Amor Powers

233. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34AEFD2C.64EC@icss.net>
Source record: 182725
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Mark wrote:
>
> larry wrote:
> >
> > It sounds to me like radio enthusiats want access voice only on the
> > amateur hf bands. In the vast majority of anti-code comments there is
> > no comment about 'I want to be able to use packet or amtor etc.
> > There is, however, lots of references to the voice used on 80 and 20.
> >
> > Is this true?
> >
> > Larry ve3fxq
> You hit the nail on the head man.... Anything that doesn't require
> thinking is acceptable to no-coders....It hurts their feeble minds.

Are you saying that the non-thinkers are on 80 and 20?
Brian/N0iMD
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234. Re: Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34AEFCC8.33BC@icss.net>
Source record: 182726
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34ae4f56.10621042@news.total.net>,
> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>
> >http://www.nocode.org/articles/maia2.html
> > -> excellent article
>
> Fred "I make a living off selling test prep material" Maia?
> I'm supposed to assume that an article written by him is
> "impartial"? This, from the same guy who tries to weasel $5
> out of every licensed amateur for their "license renewal"?
>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

Is this from MD "I've got more callsigns than you can shake a stick at?"

Callsign lookup results for:

CALL "" NAME "DEIGNAN" CITY "" STATE "" ZIP "" LIMIT "0100"

Program v1.3 - 8 March 1997 -- Last database update 1998-01-03 11:05

KH6HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P LIC ISU
4-DEC-1997
ADVANCED 136 NELSON ST LIC EXP
14-OCT-2007
PROVIDENCE RI 02908 LST UPD
4-DEC-1997

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6-MAR-1997
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6-MAR-2007
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20-FEB-1997
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RESPONSIBLE

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Returned 12 records.

UALR home page

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235. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68n17r$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182727

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Fortunately, the subject is not in your hands for a decision ... we don't
>HAVE to convince YOU ... only the government. If they do their job and
>act responsibly, rather than abdicating to the ARRL as they have done in
>the past, changes will occur ... get used to the idea ... you'll have to
>live with it.

I think WE Told YOU that bit about the government Squiggy.
Two years ago. We are still waiting. When's it gonna happen ?
Don't Convince ME - Convince the FCC ! Remember ?
The amateur ranks are declining, probably because so many no
code techs are turing blue waiting for that no code HF pie in the
sky. How long to you expect these people to hold their breath ?

If you don't hurry up, we won't have to live with it.....

73, Jim KH2D

236. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68n1lr$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182728

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Bullshit, Mike ... the privileges gained by jumping through the Morse hoop
>have VIRTUALLY NOTHING to do with More skill. THAT is why many of us call
>it a stupid hazing ritual.

THAT, coupled with the fact that you can't pass the test..... And please don't bother to bore us with the story of Squiggy's Big Adventure In Mexico On HF again , or tell us the tale about how you passed the CW tests years ago but were just too darn busy to take the written back then. I simpathize with your cause, Squiggy. What a burden to bear, what a load to carry - thousands before you have done it, but you just can't cut the mustard. Classic inferiority complex.

But then again, if anybody's good at carrying a load, you're it.

73, Jim KH2D

237. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AF1668.1ABA@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:>
> I don't think I graduate from the university... maybe I will. I don't
> know. you are right... it doesn't make sense at all... you have to
> calculus and other stuffs that you don't even use in the future. I
> hope to open up my own business or become a private stock broker. In
> this case, why am I university ?? what a useless time... but...
> public sees myself as a "better person" (?) if I graduate from the
> university I guess. It's sad, but like CW stuffs... we must do
> whatever unnecessary...
>

Ah, the logic of it all!

238. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ada098.790156@news.total.net>
Source record: 182730
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 3 Jan 1998 00:13:25 GMT, yodoc@aol.com (Yo Doc) wrote:

>If the above is a typical example of the level of literacy
>among Canada's university students,

are you a trilingual ??

Gar&#65533;on Mignon (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

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239. Re: How can I have CW QSOs on the Net?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Lee <willee@interconnect.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17f5$db869aa0$01cbf2ce@william>
Source record: 182731

CW QSO's on the internet !!!

Come on guys, That would be like blow up dolls in a whore house......

Aint nothing like the real thing baby...

William Lee N5WRX

240. Re: Can't we all just get along?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ada1ce.1100227@news.total.net>
Source record: 182732
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 3 Jan 1998 00:22:10 GMT, yodoc@aol.com (Yo Doc) wrote:

>OK...let's say you're an AMATEUR radio operator. You're tuning
>across the 20-meter band, and hear a station from West Africa
>sending CQ...in CW, of course. You don't have any key, keyer,
>or any other way to use CW because you don't believe in it. How
>are you going to communicate with the chap in West Africa? He
>doesn't have a SATCOM station of any type whatsoever.

so ? someone is calling CQ on SSB from west africa and you don't
have any SSB transmitters whatsoever, but you have lots of CW
transmitters with bunch of keyers. what are you going to do about it
??

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241. FS: Tube Powered Portable Stereo Premium Reel to Reel by Webcor $100

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <68ke40$k7c$9@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 182733

Webcor Regent Coronet Stereo Tube Model #2380-1 reel to reel.
Made in Chicago. Excellent running top-end three speed tube unit
from late 1950's or early 60's with extra features. Has separate
optional Webcor compact mini-suitcase speakers that fold into
little suitcase. Handles 7 inch reels. Has top-end options for
its time. Weighs about 38 lbs by itself. No mikes, missing
small piece of cover plate on bottom about 2"x 3" for access
(Just screw in any plate to cover if you wish), have SAMS
photofacts manual for unit. $100 plus UPS Shipping. Will pack
it free.

Have photos if you wish me to email them to you. Must see.

Will consider trades all or in part for Civilian or Military
tube tester as well -- or guitar or bass amp.

242. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: petermaus@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103043101.XAA10863@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182734

>Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right to
>shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.

or "FIRE!" at an NRA convention.

243. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103045001.XAA13473@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182735

In article <19980103043101.XAA10863@ladder01.news.aol.com>, petermaus@aol.com
(Peter Maus) writes:

>>Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right
>to
>shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.

or "FIRE!" at an
>NRA convention.

Or "TAKE A SHOWER...PLEASE!" at a hamfest.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

244. Re: TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: aplant@gte.net
Message-ID: <68kj0j$9hs$1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182736

On 2 Jan 98 14:31:12 GMT, "Roy White" <rwhite@nf.sympatico.ca> wrote:

>Hello
>
>I have a TS-449-SAT with an intermittent in it. Here is what appears to
>happen.
>Everything is going along fine and then the rx and tx becomes garbled.
>Shortly after you completly loose both tx es rx. Also sometimes you can
>hear the frequency scanning while the display remains constant. Sometimes
>the display is lost...Just dotts.
>
>Anyone who can help please drop me a line at my e-mail address listed
>below.
>
>Any help would be greatly appreciated.
>
>Roy
>VO1RW
>rwhite@writeme.com
>
Sounds like the infamous VCO5 problem, where the sealing
compound inside the VCO5 shield conducts with age. There
is a KEnwood service bulletin out for this. Basically,
the fix involves cleaning out the old sealing
compound, replacing a couple of diodes and transistors,
and resealing the VCO with hot melt glue.

Al K8IT

245. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Alan Anderson <James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com>
Message-ID: <uOQzEYDG9GA.229@upnetnews04>
Source record: 182737

Maybe that the Bill is directed at CB only.....

Way around the problem.....get an amateur license......

That should get a few million people that memorized enough answers to pass......

Alan
(Dit Da, Da Dit Dit, Dit Da, Da Dit)....... Just practicing.....

Bill Sohl wrote in message <68j8ia$cds@jupiter.planet.net>...
>"Alan Anderson" <James_Alan_Anderson@msn.com> wrote:
>
>>As soon as Bill 608 passes, there will be a few million CB'ers with amateur
>>licenses anyway.....
>
>On what analysis/interpretation do you make that assertion?
>
>Bill Sohl K2UNK
>ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
>No Code International, member - 1007
>Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org
>

246. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: bill carty <bcarty@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <#kGsH1DG9GA.270@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 182738

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <68g8o8$s4e$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <68f04u$4o3$4@news.mhv.net>, <Tom@astro.net> wrote:
>
>> I actually agree with you. I wouldn't mind if they increased the
questions
>>on each test by say 15-20. I think haveing to know more technical info is
far
>>more important than having to do a code test. I'm currently trying to get
to
>>13wpm so I can upgrade to general (from Tech plus).
>
>Hello Tom,
>
>You'll find that most pro-code advocates agree with your synopsis above.
>I have found almost no people (on either side of the code test issue)
>who think the existing theory examinations are "sufficient". I think
>most people (again, both sides) believe that the technical content is
>sufficient or needs to be modified slightly, but the delivery mechanism
>is all wrong (how many colleges do you know that give you your final
>exam questions and answers at the start of your classes, and let you
>"pass" the class by taking and passing the exam whenever you want?)

You know passing a test, whether it is in school, or for a job (civil service) or something like the ham test really only prove that they can study and pass a test. Not if they can use that knowledge. I work for and with engineers, many of them have passed their PE test but if you ask them to design, build and operate what they design they couldn't do it. Very few of the people passing professional test can do what they are testing on. Ask a structural engineer to demonstrate the ability to weld two I-Beam together. Or ask an automotive engineer to pull and service a transmission. They passed the test for their fields but they can't do it because their training didn't require them to learn more than what the professor was going to have on the final examination.

>
>I, for instance, would like to see the examination process privatized
>and run similar to the SAT testing system. No exact pre-published question
>pools, just study guides (with sample questions/answers) similar to SATs.

I also may have missed something when I was studying for my test. I didn't think that the question pool I was studying from were the exact questions on to be on the test, but a sample of what would be on the test. As it was I passed both test with good scores in the 90% range. That's what some of the No-Code bashers forget too. That you have to (or at least I did) pass a 30 question novice test, and a 25 question technician's test. It's been five

years since I took the test, and since I haven't had an urge to upgrade, as my no code tech priveledges serve my needs (when my equipment works) I haven't up graded. (Yes I am appliance operator who can do some minor maintenance on his equipment.)

>
>
>Even though most of the No-Code Agenda agrees the theory testing structure
>is broken, they steadfastly refuse to adopt a position of mutual
cooperation
>with many in the pro-code camp to work together and "fix" the theory
>examinations. Once the theory examination structure is fixed, many in the
>pro-code camp (myself included) would actively support elimination or
>reduction in the code examination.

Although I am on the fence with the no-code/code licensing, mostly because of the treaties that the U.S. has signed. (regardless of what you feel about international treaties, they exist so as to be far to most of the world. Sure every once in a while the US gets screwed, but how many times have we as a country forced our believes down others throats in the form of international treaties? These treaties that we signed are the same as some of the local ordinances that keep anarchy from running rampent in the streets!) I do agree that the test could be a little more in depth. I wouldn't want to see any essay questions as they are too open for interpetation. But more multiple quess questions on the theory yes, with the possibility of demonstrating how to build a simple transmitter, or a reciever. (this might be pushing it). But I also think the rules and regulations governing Ham radio need as much weight as the theory. With out understanding the rules all the theory in the world won't help keep the ham bands self policing.
>
>There is another vein of thought within the pro-code camp that the code
>test should be maintained to promote a common mode of communications
between
>all hams. Morse represents the least technical, simplist method to use.
>While there certainly is logic to this argument, I personally don't agree
>with it as use of any mode within the amateur service is optional, and
>requiring a 'common mode' is pointless unless you are also going to require
>people to own gear and operate it regularly.

Good point! I own an HT that I use only in emergencies, and during storm season. If I am required to go out and buy an HF rig that I really don't have time to use to make it cost effecient, it wont happen. Besides another point that seems to be lost among the pro coders and no coders many of us live in buildings, or communities that prevent us from either erecting an HF antenna due to community ordinances and building codes, or stringing out a random wire antenna due to lease agreements. so what common mode would be required? HF Phone? HF CW? If the intent is to provide other than local regional emergency communications HF is the only way to make it happen.This in its self could kill the hobby.
>

>Welp, that's enough for now.
>
>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have with my
guns.
I thought this was ham radio not politics. Besides, other than Teddy's legal
murder I have nothing to compare your statement to. How do I know you
haven't killed anyone? Besides there are no danagerous weapons, only
danagerous people.

>--
>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

Fine just don't be surprised when people stop listening to you when they
need to...

Regards
Bill Carty
N8PAG

247. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae2bbd.1506205@news.total.net>
Source record: 182739
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Fri, 2 Jan 1998 23:47:16 -0400, "Graham VE1FC" <ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca>
wrote:

>I have both a 202 and a 242.....

>The 202 is GREAT.. excellent receive..
>The 242 is just too dam broadband on receive...

I use 242 and I don't get any intermods usually... 202 doesn't also.

>I receive the local ambulance on the 147.165 machine here in town.. I wish
>the 242 was narrow band like the 202....

check your ambulance freqs to make sure that its image freq or double
or triple freq doesn't fall near 147.165. I sometimes hear nearby
cordless phones on 147.060 which is directly coming from 49.02 MHz
cordless phone.

> Also sensitivity is poor on the
> 144-148 mhz area...

242 doesn't work well for SIMPLEX operation.

> Hell I got the 3 year contract...

I have a three year warranty too.

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248. Re: 12wpm CW = 8 baud

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae331b.3392875@news.total.net>
Source record: 182740

On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 12:47:45 -0000, "Bill R" <n9br@mc.net> wrote:

> CW and Packet aren't the same. You will never
>get a tnc to pick up anything more than garbage when
>the signals are very very weak, whereas the human ear
>will be able to pull info out.

but we don't have to use very very very very weak signals [garbages]
nowdays do we ??

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249. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae33e2.3592037@news.total.net>
Source record: 182741
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 30 Dec 1997 20:28:01 -0700, CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com> wrote:

>reading the rest of your post. I don't care to hear your ridiculus
>analogies and unsuccessfull attempts to defend CW with a setimental
>passion.

> I already know that it's completely pointless to require CW for
>*anything* now that we're nearing the 21st century. Hell, I knew it was
>old and rusty before I was licensed five years ago.

I agree with you.

Ham radio itself will die anyway... it's too expensive and too old.
It takes too much time before you can use it.
The internet is much faster and efficient. There are more people on
the internet than the ham radio.
The CW requirement is just helping other people to avoid ham radio and
use the internet instead.

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250. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae351d.3907151@news.total.net>
Source record: 182742
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 2 Jan 1998 19:28:35 -0700, "John J. Trainor"
<jjtrainor@interworldnet.net> wrote:

>I agree 100 percent with jeff@centuryinter.net. We don't want all these
>tackey "NO-CODERS" crowding the SACRED HF bands.

it will not be crowded because not many people are interested in ham
radio nowadays. + it isn't so cheap to get on the HF... radio +
antenna + tuner +.....

I have a HF rig here, but I don't use it.
You go ahead and use the frequency. Less and less people are on the
air nowadays. Even 2m and 70cm repeaters are under-used.

> Don't you know if "WE"
>(ARRL) let em in they might do somethin to upset all them old farts at ARRL.

ARRL will become upset because they can't sell CW products such as
code practising tapes and such. Of course they support CW
requirement. Someone explained about this a couple days ago...

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251. Re: Congress wants to de-regulate FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AE345C.8A8564EC@shore.net>
Source record: 182743

Alan Anderson wrote:

> Maybe that the Bill is directed at CB only.....
>
> Way around the problem.....get an amateur license......
>
> That should get a few million people that memorized enough answers to
> pass......
>
> Alan
> (Dit Da, Da Dit Dit, Dit Da, Da Dit)....... Just practicing.....

A D A N
(diddydahdahdidit) ?

--
j:) -=wk1v=-

252. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AE34E0.C06304D@shore.net>
Source record: 182744

Peter Maus wrote:

> >Actually it's covered under the same paragraph which gives you the right to
> >shout "MOVIE!" in the middle of a crowded firestation.
>
> or "FIRE!" at an NRA convention.

Yeah, but don't you have to shout, "READY, AIM!" first?
--
j:) -=wk1v=-

253. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae3800.4645694@news.total.net>
Source record: 182745
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 04:12:08 GMT, "Michel Morin"
<morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca> wrote:

>Larry

> Cutie boy alias M@s@ is an exchange student from Japan, not a fellow
>Canadian.

and you don't know that I am NOT NOT NOT an exchange student.
I am a international student who is willing to take a "degree."

you don't know what you are talking about and that's a real problem
for amateur radio. it turns the people away from amateur radio.

about me, visit:
http://www.radiotelephone.net/masataka.htm

don't forget to visit my updated amateur radio web site at:
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/

> His main language is Japanese and he does seem to have a problem
>with English. You should read his French, it's much worse than his English.
>73 Michel.

Michel: I suppose you speak Japanese as well as I do in French ??

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254. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae3836.4700038@news.total.net>
Source record: 182746
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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>>Roll is at it again ... most everyone else has realize that
>>"Masa" is apparently a Japanese student studying in Canada.
>>As such, English is not his primary language, but Roll insists
>>on slamming him because his English is not up to "Roll's Standards
>>of Excellence" (something like "Roll's Standards of Beeping Skills"

and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
trying to understand other languages.

thanks for your comment.

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255. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68lbl3$2i3$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182747

In article <68k7bl$o1g$1@news.inconnect.com>,
John J. Trainor <jjtrainor@interworldnet.net> wrote:

>I agree 100 percent with jeff@centuryinter.net. We don't want all these
>tackey "NO-CODERS" crowding the SACRED HF bands. Don't you know if "WE"
>(ARRL) let em in they might do somethin to upset all them old farts at ARRL.
>So jeff I am asking your help to start a campaign to REQUIRE all applicants
>for auto driver's license to demonstrate their proficiency in HORSE-BACK
>RIDING before they can drive a car. You do know how to ride, don't you
>jeff???

Your analogy might have some merit if horseback riding had something to do
with driving a car. It doesn't. On the other hand, CW is the second most
popular mode in use on HF today. That alone makes it relevant.

When horseback riding becomes the second most popular form of personal
transportation, come back and try again.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

256. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae3a09.5166700@news.total.net>
Source record: 182748
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 04:12:08 GMT, "Michel Morin"
<morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca> wrote:

> You should read his French, it's much worse than his English.

I study French by myself, not even taking a course (I am studying it
for two weeks now... during the winter break).

Just wanted to let you know...

By the way, I've been studied English for only 4 years.

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257. V'Plex BRASS RACER iambic key

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: hb <dev@null.any>
Message-ID: <34AE47AC.BC6CC277@null.any>
Source record: 182749

$60, including shipping

as new

Do not press REPLY. Use this address:

ev856@cleveland.freenet.edu

258. Re: TRUNKER 3.5.1 supports R8500, R7000, R10

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf5oj@iamerica.net
Message-ID: <34ada08c.1129919@news.iamerica.net>
Source record: 182750
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 17:40:02 GMT, jcwren@atlanta.com (John "Chris"
Wren) wrote:

>
> I've add support for the R8500, R7000 and R10 in this version.
>R7100 support is there, but is untested (I'm told that the address is
>the same for the 7100 as it is for the 7000).
>
> The package also includes the tutorial I posted to the net, a
>few days ago.
>
> If you would like a copy, please feel free to e-mail a
>request.
>
> - Chris, KD4DTS
>
>
>---
>John "Chris" Wren, KD4DTS
>jcwren@atlanta.com
>770-945-8288 (H)
>770-840-9200 x2417 (W)
>
Something Chris forgot to mention is that this version can be used on
COM1 thru COM4. Very Useful!.

Clifton Turner KF5OJ

259. PRO 2004

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Patrick Wilson <pw@i2020.net>
Message-ID: <68lgdm$o2l1@news.i2020.net>
Source record: 182751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I have forsale a PRO 2004. No scratches, holes, dents. Comes in the box with the manual and antenna and original packing.

350.00 firm.

This will be going to the frostfest on Jan 18th. I will pay shipping. Has been 800mhz modded. Need money for a tower.

7 3

Pat
N5PW

260. Re: 2 mobile radios = repeater

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68ljt5$dqo@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182752

jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) wrote:

>I too have been wondering this myself.

>Can someone walk me through the process of setting up a repeater with a couple
>of mobile radios as I am relatively new to the sport of amateur radio and am
>very anxious to try this repeater idea with a phone autopatch.

Well, you need more than just a couple mobile radios, but let me take a shot
at it.

Five parts required: Radio One, Radio Two, Controller, Antenna, Duplexer.

Coordinate the frequencies you are going to use with whomever the
frequency coordinators are for your area. Different places, different groups.
See ARRL for details on a group near you. Understand the two meter band
plan. Some frequencies are not for repeaters, they are for other things, like
satellites and weak signal work. Don't put repeaters on uncoordinated
frequencies, it causes lots of hate and discontent. Once that is done.......

Radio one is the receiver. Hook it the the controller.
(Receive audio)
The controller contains the phone patch. Hook it to the phone line.
Radio two is the transmitter. Hook it to the controller.
(TX audio, PTT)
Hook the duplexer to radio one, radio two, and the antenna.

When radio one hears something, the controller keys radio two
and repeats it. When the controller hears certain touch tones,
it takes the phone line off hook and dials the phone, and patches
the call to radio two...

The duplexer a) keeps the transmitters signal very narrow and
b) keeps the receiver listening in a very narrow space so that the
transmitter doesn't overload or desense the receiver and thus
kill the incoming signal on radio one. In other words, the duplexer
prevents the two radios from interfering with each other, and
allows them both to use the same antenna.

Adjust the transmitter to an appropriate power level based on how
good the receiver hears (don't want people to hear the repeater if
they can't key it, frustrates the users). Adjust the squelch so it
won't pop open unless it hears a copyable signal. Put the radios on
a frequency where the receiver hears no intermod, or interfearance,
from other signals (which you already have coordinated).

Poof ! You have a repeater.

VHF ham repeaters use a 600khz split. Commercial repeaters use a
5mhz split....

If you are going to do this with two VHF (2 meter radios), plan on
spending 1600 to 2000 dollars for a good duplexer. The two meter
band is not wide enuff to do it without duplexers, unless you put
radio one and radio two a mile apart. To see what happens without
a duplexer, hook radio one to one antenna, and radio two to another
antenna. Listen to a conversation on a local frequency on radio one,
then while you are listening key radio two on another frequency
600khz away from the frequency you are listening on, and note what
happens to the receive signal. You may get away with a cross band
repeater and no duplexer, 146/440 or 146/220 but you won't make
one on two meters without a duplexer.

Hope that helps. I'm not an expert, but I think that covers the basics.
I'm sure somebody will correct me if I am wrong.

73, Jim KH2D
Mariana Islands DX Association http://www.guam.net/pub/midxa

261. WTB ROTOR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: ktheo7707@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103145500.JAA22242@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182753

I am looking for a rotor with a brake and can handle a lpa with a wind resistance of 7.5 feet. Thanks ktheo7707@aol.com

262. Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae4f56.10621042@news.total.net>
Source record: 182754
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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http://www.nocode.org/articles/maia2.html
-> excellent article

http://www.nocode.org

see comments made by EXTRA amateurs.

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263. Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae51e7.11278286@news.total.net>
Source record: 182755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Quote (http://www.goodnet.com/~lenwink/wog.htm):

> If people want to use it, use it. (...)
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264. Re: Psywar

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68lk2p$dqo@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182756

iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:

> There are others like Carl out there. When we bring enough of these
> like-minded persons together, we will rise up -- rise up and dominate!

No, when you get everbody to think like Carl, you can put
a fence around the United States and call it the worlds biggest mental
institution.

Happy New Squiggy, we didn't blow away.......

73 Jim KH2D

265. Re: First Amendment Rights

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103151201.KAA25980@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182757

In article <34AC9516.684@no.nst>, Bill <billr*@no.nst> writes:

>
Boy that is certainly true, what with all the cbers that turn up
>at
ham-fests now.

From what I've seen, it's not the CBers with the huge stomachs that hang over their belt, the month-old coffee stains in their shirts, the strong breath and body odor, etc.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

266. Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68llij$dqo@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182758
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

When somebody told Billy they were studying to pass the 13 WPM
code test, billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl) said:

>What difference would it make if you obtained the general
>and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
>(or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
>it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
>Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
>must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
>getting the license rather than doing it on your own?
>

That's Billy-speak. Billy likes to dance the twist.....

Translation: Do you think everybody else who is not as
ambitious as you are should get the same license
as you do, or do you think you are special and deserve
more because you are willing to work for it ?

Happy New Year Billy.

>Bill Sohl K2UNK
>ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
>No Code International, member - 1007
>Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.orgasm (designed especially
> for those who can't get it up... Code Speed, that is....)

73, Jim KH2D
http://www.knowcode.com/fastcode/learneasy/lessonplan/start/index.html
ARRL Member For Another Month, Yona Village, Guam Island, Western Pacific Ocean
Five Words A Minutes IS No Code !
Vana White Shouldn't Give Code Tests !
Can't Get It UP ? - Join NoCode International and Help Destroy Ham Radio !
Save A VHF Repeater - Eat a No Code Tech Today !
Is Grandpa Lenny Dead or Is He OLD_NERD@WEBTV ?
Did Anybody Send Sqiggy A Christmas Card ?
Gee, I just LUV these Signature Files.........

267. Help Tchad contact

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: am033@FreeNet.Carleton.CA
Message-ID: <68lks3$9tv@freenet-news.carleton.ca>
Source record: 182759

I would like to communicate with a Peace Corps Volunteer currently
stationed in Tchad (Chad) Africa. Is there a directory which lists
amateur radio operators by geographic location? Would appreciate any help.
Thank you.
Bob
rjg@pop.tiac.net

268. trunk tracker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "P. Langevin" <plangevin@kiwi.dep.anl.gov>
Message-ID: <34AE1733.3FF9@kiwi.dep.anl.gov>
Source record: 182760
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Can any one help me, program trunkstations into my new Pro 90? I'm confused. I thought it was just a matter of putting in frequency's, but once again I'm wrong. Those poor folks at radio shack didnt know how to help me. So I turn to you. Has any one figured it out.
thanks Ed

269. Re: Attitudes Of Hams When Advice Is Requested

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1851$9b908800$0d8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 182761
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> Bert <n9tbs@itol.com> wrote in article <68kjsemtl1@news.inc.net>...
> Twice now in the last 10 minutes (my first attempt at searching the
> newsgroups for some antenna information) I have found a kinda
> "nasty" response from on HAM to another. I thought that most Hams >
helped each other, and second, isn't using the newsgroups for research >
kind of the same as looking something up in a book. Maybe even a
> little more fun?

Generally the helpful and polite responses are far more common. In any human endeavor there will be those few who are arrogant, rude, very immature, or seriously troubled (drug, alcohol, or personality defects).

I've learned to feel very sorry for the "bad eggs" and to pray that they will heal and mature, while trying to remembering to affirm and emulate the more mature and helpful. (Perhaps that's the nature of a pastor!)

I trust that you will find the overwhelming majority of hams here and elsewhere to a wondeful bunch of folk! I have.

73, DavidC AA1FA A Happy & Blessed New Year To All!

270. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68ln0l$8is$1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182762
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34A92567.212@firstinter.net>, nospamrickw7rt@firstinter.net wrote:

>
>If the code is still such a great filter, explain the trash mouths on
>our 20 and 75 meter bands....mostly extras....I do think we can find a
>much better filter than learning how to be a human digital modem.
>
>Rick Tannehill W7RT
>Ham since '61
>Pro-Code 61-92
>Pro-No-Code/Slow Code 92 to present

How about this for a filter?

"No-Code General" Must have at least a 2-year degree (AAS) in Electrical / Electronic engineering
"No-Code Advanced" Must have a 4-year degree (BSEE) in Electrical / Electronic Engineering
"No-Code Extra" Master's degree or better in Electrical / Electronic Engineering

That would filter out the people with no dedication to the hobby of radio or the art of electronics, but would also open the door for more perfectly qualified operators to use HF, and still keep the "Lazy CB'er" out of the HF bands. Who's going to spend at least 2 years in school and thousands of dollars just to avoid a CW test? This way, people with proven knowledge, who were interested in Ham Radio, would be rewarded for their efforts and they could upgrade by either learning CW and taking the traditional route or by earning a higher degree. All would still have to pass a written test on Rules & Regulations and operating practice.

271. PHONE patch, Heath hybrid

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: hb <dev@null.any>
Message-ID: <34AE6002.A68111F@null.any>
Source record: 182763

Model HD-15, excellent condition

With working meter and manual

$50 includes shipping from Portland, OR.

Do not press reply. Use this address...

hb@hevanet.com

272. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AE3EFD.DE1AD0DD@flash.net>
Source record: 182764
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Quote (http://www.goodnet.com/~lenwink/wog.htm):
>
> > If people want to use it, use it. (...)
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> > just the requirement (...)
> > people who like it will use it.
>
> Agreed. Blow job. If you want to use CW, go ahead and use it.
> We shouldn't ban CW; rather, we want to see CW doesn't block HF access
> for excellent electronic technicians who like to communicate by voice
> on HF.

Hey Masa, forget about French, I'd work on my English a little more."Blow Job?"
been a long time eh pal?

273. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae6a9f.17606765@news.total.net>
Source record: 182765
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 08:37:01 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> Quote (http://www.goodnet.com/~lenwink/wog.htm):

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do you know metaphor ??

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274. Re: Going to Dayton

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us
Message-ID: <68lpvq$f0s@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>
Source record: 182766

just another idea..... Columbus is also about 1 hour from Dayton (more like 45 minutes unless you choose 'rush' hour) There are a number of motels, etc. on the West side of the city.

--
C. W. Gibbs <cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us>
---------- "Laziness Breeds Efficiency" -------------

Psalm 119:112

275. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae6ca8.18127874@news.total.net>
Source record: 182767
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 05:22:18 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
wrote:

>73, Jim KH2D
>http://www.knowcode.com/fastcode/learneasy/lessonplan/start/index.html
>ARRL Member For Another Month, Yona Village, Guam Island, Western Pacific Ocean

>Five Words A Minutes IS No Code !
^^^^^^^^^^

a minute.

please explain what you mean by 5 WPM license is no code.
You don't know what you are talking about and that's the problem (of
pro-coders).

>Can't Get It UP ? - Join NoCode International and Help Destroy Ham Radio !

go to JA and have fun with amateur radio. they have millions of
people there.

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276. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae6daa.18386374@news.total.net>
Source record: 182768
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 08:37:01 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

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whatelse do you know besides English :(?

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277. Re: trunk tracker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark <masteve@wwisp.com>
Message-ID: <34AE2738.DAAD254C@wwisp.com>
Source record: 182769
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

To program the Pro-90:

I live in Birmingham, Al as example. There is a little booklet which
came with the radio.
In the book is listed the 2 trunk systems in Jefferson county.

Pick a bank, example bank 0. Now, program all the frequencies of the
trunking system
into this bank. once you have this done, press the "trunk" button. The
display will blank
and the bank digits at the top of the display will blink. Press the
number of the bank you
wish to "trunk scan". Press the "0" button. If there is a "carrier"
present, the scanner will
lock onto it. When it does, press the "srch" button. Now, the scanner
will lock onto the
first signal it comes to. If you want to track a conversation, press
the hold button. You
will notice that the "number" or trunk id has been locked. Now, when
one of the persons
transmitting unkeys, the radio will "follow" the conversation to
whatever frequency they
turn-up on.

If you live in an area which does not use the "default" type of motorola
trunking, you may
have to manually determine the system by trial and error (instructions
in booklet). Fortunately for me, Birmingham uses the default system,
and the scanner works flawlessly.

Let me know if you get your scanner working....it's a really good unit
regardless of the
trunking feature....

Mark

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> thanks Ed

278. the WWW's largest YL page.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lee <rfi@vol.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1869$ebd9e3c0$ab2c1b26@default>
Source record: 182770

is still at the website of the Stones River ARC
http:/www.vol.com/~rfi/stones.html
Our YL page has over 130 links.....Come visit us and submit any YL links we don't have.
We also have one of the most comprehensive ham-related websites anywhere including
our new Contesting page.

73,
Lee (NY4T)
Webmaster: SRARC (K4FUN)
http://www.qsl.net/ny4t

279. What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ae6f6e.18837743@news.total.net>
Source record: 182771
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio.nocode

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The number of hams in JA is increasing.
Although no-code basic license allows you to operate on HF spectrum,
many operate on VHF/UHF even on microwave bands.
440 repeaters are used, 1.2 GHz repeaters are used and they are now
setting up 2.4 GHz repeaters. This is a way to keep ham radio
spectrum.

for repeater info, go to:

http://www.jarl.or.jp/Japanese/A_Shiryo/A-1_Repeater/A-1_Repeater.htm

and then click the respective area to continue...(from 0 to 9)

learn something from JA.
here, almost nobody uses UHF higher than 70cm. well... 70cm repeaters
are even under used. 2m repeater are underused here in Montreal
as well.
commercial guys are almost there to take our bands.
keep cw and make ham radio dead. heheeheheeee....

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Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
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Gar�on Mignon (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

280. Re: RSGB Membership Graph 1986-2006?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Simon Lewis <pacsat@pacsat.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <qLZaOCAEthr0EwFk@pacsat.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182772
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34ad5256.29715329@news.prestel.co.uk>, sadboy@hotmail.com
writes
>Blah,blah blah,,,the same old tosh churned out by a bitter and twidted
>person with sod all else to do but grind his personal axe,,get a
>life,,who gives a shite about the RSGB ??,,join or dont
>join,,simple,,christ it must be hell being your wife/son/daughter or
>other relative. Isn;t it time for another pro/anti RSGB debate on that
>bores' paradise that is the packet network or how about another anti
>morse debate??. No wonder lots of people see amatuers as sad,lonely
>old tossers and no wonder very few women waste their time on it.

yes well you're email address says it all!

ROTFL!

73 Simon GM4PLM
+--+
| Simon Lewis GM4PLM Editor - EMN |
| European Microwave News - Supporting Microwave Radio Across Europe |
| Homepage - www.pacsat.demon.co.uk Email emn@pacsat.demon.co.uk |
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281. Re: Carl Stevenson

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net>
Message-ID: <34AE78B7.25D18861@dm.net>
Source record: 182773

Troller, go away!
Shoo!
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-John S. Bond <kingsnake> WA6FRN/6
kingsnake photography; a division of Gyro Gearloose Productions
http://www.humboldt1.com/~gyrgrls/
ICQ uin:4604100

282. This Week in Amateur Radio #249 (for air through 1/9/98)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephan M. Anderman" <sanderman@delphi.com>
Message-ID: <JvaGqRw.sanderman@delphi.com>
Source record: 182774

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Here is a summary of news items covered on edition #249 of
"This Week in Amateur Radio", North America's satellite-delivered
audio bulletin service, for the week ending 9-Jan:
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1. Affiliates Report Apparent Failure of Sputnik 40/PS2/RS-17
2. Mir Loses Another Attitude Computer, Packet TNC Still Down
3. Final Acts of WRC-97 Now Available from FCC
4. ARRL Explains New DXCC Fees, Members Express Unhappiness
5. Ohio Club Initiates "E-mail Elmer" Program
6. NASA Receives Award from ARRL for SAREX Cooperation
7. Special Event Station Calendar
8. "Gateway 160 Meter Net Report" with Vern Jackson, WA0RCR
9. Weekly Propagation Forecast
10. AMSAT Offers Suggestions for Tricking Your Tracker for 1998
11. Microsoft Tests Windows '98 Beta 3, Release Later This Year
12. "The RAIN Dial-up" from Chicago
13. BONUS EDITION - "Ancient Amateur Archives" with W2XOY
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Funding for the program's transmission and production expense was
provided this week by a grant from Gene Wicklund, W0ZOK, of
Horace, North Dakota, where "This Week in Amateur Radio" is heard
via satellite Saturdays at 8:00 PM along the Red River Valley on
the W0ZOK repeater on 443.75 MHz.
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State not-for-profit corporation based in Albany, NY. The
program is heard on the "W0KIE Satellite Network" each Saturday
at 9:00 PM (EST) on the Hughes Communications SBS-6 commercial
communications satellite, transponder 13B upper, located at 74
degrees west longitude in equatorial geosynchronous orbit. The
transponder center frequency is 12.019 GHz; tune up in frequency
to 12.031 GHz. Program audio is on the 6.2 MHz analog
subcarrier. A fee has been paid to W0KIE for access to the
satellite uplink.
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On the WorldWide Web, program audio can now be found in several
formats (including streaming audio) at http://www.roava.net/twiar
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through the courtesy of the Blue Ridge Video and Digital Society of Roanoke, VA, and at http://user.icx.net/~ke4hsm/twiar.html with thanks to Greg Williams, KE4HSM, of Knoxville, TN. The service is carried on VHF/UHF repeaters throughout North America and by WA0RCR on 160 meters at 1860 kHz. Contact your local amateur radio club or repeater operator if "This Week in Amateur Radio" is not being heard in your area.

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283. Re: FS;TR751e Kenwood 2m/multi

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: steve100@sodoff.dircon.co.uk
Message-ID: <34b1745c.5529826@news.dircon.co.uk>
Source record: 182775
Cross-posted to: alt.radio,alt.radio.amateur.club.clarc,alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.space

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 11:55:29 -0500, "Ernie Stedman"
<n2ojq@worldnet.att.net> wrote:

>you did ok-
>these go for $425 - $500 used.

Yep, I'd say the same.
BTW to convert from pounds (GBP) into dollars (USD) multiply the GBP
price by about 1.62 at the current rate to get dollars cost.
So you are looking at around $267, plus import taxes and carriage.
Import duty here in the UK is around 5% of the value of the item(s)
plus we get to pay 17.5% of the value to the taxman. Ripper!

>>>>>TR751E 2 metre multimode, 25w, very good condition.

>>>>>ï¿½165 Phil G6GIY (NW Eng)
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"Labour is the superior of capital,
and deserves much the higher consideration"

Abraham Lincoln 1809-1865.

Regards, Steve, Plymouth UK. (M1BJR)

284. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ae6bb6.36332275@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182776

On 2 Jan 1998 20:29:01 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>In article <67e2vs$av2$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys"
><rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> writes:
>
>Michael Bruss <fzbruss@catbert.ucdavis.edu> wrote:
>> I'm curious about how
>>CW worked before the advent radio and ocillators,
>> i.e. the telegraph. I
>>have the impression that there was what amounted to
>> a clicking relay on the
>>receiving end. Was a dot two clicks close
>> together and a dash two clicks
>>further apart? Or was there some way to
>> vary the length of a click or
>>perhaps two types of click? Any of these
>> would appear to have been harder
>>to learn and use than an ocillator.
>
>> Mike
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>Mprse telegraphy was originally meant to be used to punch holes in paper tape,
>which would then be read by eye with the use of templates. Operators quickly
>learned to copy by ear, even before this new-fangled telegraph idea really got
>off the ground. The sounder was born about the same time as the first
>long-distance (out of earshot) telegraph line. The paper punch idea was
>discarded for the next hundred years or so except in player pianos.

Actually, Morse's machine used a pen to make marks on a moving paper strip, driven by a clockwork mechanism. This was intended to be read by eye. The pen was activated by an electromagnet. Pen down and pen up made distinct click-clack sounds defining the element leading and trailing timing edges. Operators soon learned that they could tell what character was being sent by the click-clack sounds made by the pen. Since they had to transcribe the marks to readable plain text anyway, and it was slower to keep looking up at the paper strip and back down at their copy blank, they started just copying by the sound of the pen.

Similarly, Morse's encoding machine used an encoder called a "port rule" which was driven past a switch by a clockwork mechanism. The port rule had notched sections assembled on it corresponding to the characters to be sent. These notches worked the switch. Setting up a message on the port rule was similar to setting type (Morse stole several of his ideas from the printing industry). Setting type by hand is clumsy and time consuming,

so operators started to just manipulate the switch directly by hand. Later, sounders sans pen were designed, and keys intended to be hand operated were designed, and we got the traditional "Morse" telegraph.

But the paper tape idea didn't go away for a hundred years. Thomas Edison revived it in a different form in a device he called the ticker tape machine. He figured most people wouldn't bother to learn Morse so that they could have a telegraph in their homes, but they might accept a device which printed readable text on a paper strip. Unfortunately for Edison, Bell showed his telephone the same year, and it won the home market instead of the ticker tape machine. Tickers were sold to businesses who needed a written record of transactions, however, and the stock ticker remained in use up until computers took over.

Page printing versions of the ticker also came into broad use after WWI, and were called teletype machines. Some of them remained in use even into the computer age as computer input/output devices. An accessory for the teletype did punch and read tape. This allowed multiple copies of a message to be printed, or allowed messages to be relayed from one circuit to another without having to retype the messages.

Early computers often used punched tape as a way of storing and loading their programs. (We didn't always have to toggle front panel switches by hand in order to enter a program, though we usually had to toggle in a bootloader program, which instructed the computer how to read a punched tape, after a cold start.)

Punched cards were also used. These were originally designed to drive Jacard looms (the source of the original Luddite uprising), but were adapted to hold the data for the 1900 Census. IBM gained much of its early market making card punches, card sorters, and card printers for the government, so they carried the punched card idea over as an input device for their computers. Believe it or not, there are still card punches and readers in use today in some of the more backward IBM shops. Industry even used them as inventory control tags until the bar code replaced them.

Back to Morse sounders. I originally learned Morse on a sounder. My teacher was a retired railroad telegrapher. What I didn't realize (and neither did he), was that radio didn't use Morse Code, and that it used variable length tones and spaces instead of clicks and clacks. (Neither of us had a SW radio at the time.) It came as quite a shock when I first heard the International Code on a radio. It didn't sound anything like Morse Code on a sounder, and of course several of the character codes were different too.

Today we call what I learned American Morse. The Code used on the radio is a derivative of the code used by telegraphers in Europe and was called variously the Continental Code or the International Code.

I had to start over from scratch learning the proper code, and with tones instead of click-clacks. It was tough. Copying a sounder is much easier than copying tones. The click-clacks are the timing edges which define the code elements. You have to recover those timing edges from tones by mentally envelope detecting them in order to demodulate the tones back into the modulating waveform generated by the sender's key.

That's hard to do in your head. It takes lots and lots of Pavlovian conditioning to do it. Our brains don't come wired from the factory to be envelope detectors. But our brains are good at picking a tone out of noise, and that's important on the radio, so we struggle to become envelope detectors of tones.

Early arc transmitter operators learned a better way. The brain comes wired from the factory with the ability to discriminate pitch. Those arc transmitters couldn't be keyed on and off rapidly, but they could be FSKed by switching a reactance in and out. So the operators did that, and copied the FSK signals by ear. That was closer to the click-clack of the landline sounder in that the timing edges were sharply defined, and the direction of shift told key down and key up. Some RTTY operators can still copy a bit by ear (I can copy my call sign and several common words and phrases at 60 WPM), though at today's speeds that's rare, and not worth the bother since the machine does it so much better.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

285. Re: How can I have CW QSOs on the Net?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ae80ca.41729351@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182777

On 3 Jan 1998 02:26:05 GMT, "William Lee" <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:

>CW QSO's on the internet !!!
>
>Come on guys, That would be like blow up dolls in a whore house......
>
>Aint nothing like the real thing baby...
>
>William Lee N5WRX

That's true. It is a poor substitute for ASCII.

Gary
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286. Re: Info-Hams Digest V97 #1656

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ae81a3.41946421@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182778

On 30 Dec 97 06:07:01 GMT, jherman@sierra.NET (Jacqueline Herman) wrote:
>Ed Legenza wrote: "Most hams (or prospective hams) have the
>mistaken idea that emergency communications involve V/UHF
>FM work only."
>
>How true, Ed. We just heard from Jim KH2D about how *only* HF
>was used on the island of Guam during the aftermath of Super
>Typhoon Paka (230+ mph winds). No 2m simplex was used, no
>2m repeaters were used, no 70cm simplex was used, no 70cm
>repeaters were used. Only HF.

Yep, the phone system stayed up, and apparently so did the civil
and military authorities' mobile communications setups, so they
didn't need hams on VHF or UHF. They didn't need HF CW either,
of course, but I guess the hams wanted to play. Probably called
each other on the phone to get together on a frequency to use too.

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287. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.3.94.980103123346.23831B-100000@Stratus.CAM.ORG>
Source record: 182779
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

One of the mistakes too many people make is to think that by changing what is offered things will change. Too often, the problem lies elsewhere.

Canada had a no-code license starting back in 1978 (I think I've got the exact year). It was the digital license, intended to bring computer types into the hobby to make use of radio for networking. It was no code, required passing what I've heard was quite a difficult exam (though I never saw the questions to evaluate it myself), and allowed for operation above 144MHz.

From what I've neard, it was never a popular license. In fact, very little was heard about it, and I doubt very many actually entered the hobby that way.

Move on to 1990. Canada did quite a major restructuring of licensing for hams. It changed things so one could enter the hobby without knowing the code, and without having to pass too difficult a test. It added the use of some HF voice with a minimum code requirement. It also made building transmitters something you couldn't do until you'd passed an advanced test.

Both the 1978 and the 1990 changes were meant to bring more people to the hobby. The first try did not work, the second from what I gather did, at least so some extent.

But before these changes were made, one would hear "if only this was changed...", as if reducing standards was what the hobby needed.

But in the 27 years that I've known about amateur radio, it's visibility has never increased.. Changing the entry requirements does nothing if no effort is made to convey that new information to the public.

So we have a much simpler entry point in Canada today, but some think it's still not simple enough. I'm not sure at what point things become simple enough.

The problem lies elsewhere, as it has always rested elsewhere. Once you deal with getting the word out, only then can you decide whether or not something needs changing in the license structure. This is not something unique to amateur radio; it's something I've seen many times elsewhere. When our "freenet" here in Montreal died in 1996 after only four months in operation, management claimed that people weren't interested. But the project was so invisible that not enough people knew about it to make that kind of judgement. None of the people I told about it knew that it was online.

When the new license structure went into effect in 1990, there were no articles in the paper about it. Not as some cold extract from Parliament Hill, and not as some feature about amateur radio and it's easier entry. When there are code and theory classes, they rarely if ever get listed in the newspapers here along with the basket weaving courses. When there are hamfests, they don't get listed along with the church rummage sales. Groups complain that they can't get articles or listings, but the local newsgroups aren't being used for announcements of code and theory classes and hamfests, or even the existence of ham clubs. Sure, those announcements won't reach a lot of people, but considering how little effort it takes, it is shocking that these things aren't being used. It's the local newsgroups that will reach new people, not the amateur radio newsgroups where people have to actually know about the hobby in the first place. But I don't see the Montreal ham clubs, and many of them are already on the internet, even using the rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups.

And when amateur radio does get mentioned in public (ie away from the closed societies of the newsgroups and the clubs and amateur radio itself) too often the message is from the standpoint of someone who already knows about amateur radio. If you look at it from the standpoint of not knowing anything about the hobby, you get a different picture. Things that aren't important to the beginner get thrown in, and things that are obvious to hams don't get mentioned.

There was a hamfest here at the end of October. From past years, I thought there would be one, but I had to dig to get the details. It was not mentioned in the newspapers, even as a listing in the rummage sale section. A day or two before the event, I found a web page belonging to the club. I emailed them, suggesting that they post a message in the local forsale newsgroup. Whether I was the cause of it I don't know, but a message did appear. But as I read it, I realized that the message was aimed at hams, not at people who don't know anything about it. It would have been a great time to make a brief introduction to amateur radio, to get more people to the hamfest and learn more about it.

Amateur radio, in both Canada and the US is easier than ever to get into. In both countries, that great wall, the code, is no longer a requirement to getting started. I'm not sure there is a need for more people to join the hobby. I know that once things started on that path, the need for more people became a necessity, because by changing it from a technical hobby the need to justify the ham spectrum became dependent on lots of people using that spectrum. But there are a lot of things not being done that would bring people to the hobby, instead of resting on the hope that no code and simpler tests will make things better.

Michael VE2BVW

On Sat, 3 Jan 1998, Cutie Boy wrote:

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> The number of hams in JA is increasing.

> Although no-code basic license allows you to operate on HF spectrum,
> many operate on VHF/UHF even on microwave bands.
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> and then click the respective area to continue...(from 0 to 9)
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> learn something from JA.
> here, almost nobody uses UHF higher than 70cm. well... 70cm repeaters
> are even under used. 2m repeater are underused here in Montreal
> as well.
> commercial guys are almost there to take our bands.
> keep cw and make ham radio dead. heheeheheeee....
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> ---
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Garçon Mignon (également connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> Étudient @ Informatique et Mathématiques d'Université McGill
> Montréal, Québec, Canada
> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Université McGill)
> ---
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour répondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
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> ATTENTION: Je n'achèterai pas ou réponse aucun produit des CÉS non sollicités!!
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288. Re: the problem with cw

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103001200.TAA03515@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182913

In article <349c4a17.6612354@news.total.net>, slime@radiotelephone.net.ham (Mr. Slime) writes:

>On Mon, 15 Dec 1997 23:02:43 GMT, lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote:

>I wonder
>how many ham would use cw 'if' it could be copied as
>efficiently as ascii,
>eg by machine. I know there machines which do
>copy but this still have to
>be flexible for the human transmitter.

>I think that cw would be more
>popular if it could be efficiently
>decoded by machine.

why not use digital
>signal instead ??

Many hams, occasionally myself as well, use their computers to send perfectly timed code from their keyboard. Such machine-generated code can be copied by computer with reasonable reliability at up to around 50 WPM, and I suspect that this speed could be increased with a GOOD soundboard program. providing state-of-the-art digital signal processing. I often practice sending to my own computer using a straight key or bug. Such practice helps tighten up sloppy timing and clean up excessive "swing" in hand-sent code. As a consequence, my code can be copied by computerunder good conditions with about 85 percent correct copy with a straight key.

I used to copy the CW WX broadcasts from coast stations with the computer and HAMCOMM. WLO sends good clean code at 31 WPM, ideal for computer copy. I would get better than 90 percent on screen, enough to be a good backup to ear copy. If I didn't get it, the machine probably did.

Unfortunately, Coherent CW probably would not be a big factor in attracting new hams to CW, fascinating as it is. The big reasons for still using CW are useability of old antique or simple homebrew gear, narrow bandwidth and QRM resistance, convenience of having only to listen in order to copy, non-relieance on computers, and plain old nostalgia. Computer-aided CW does not really address anything but the narrow bandwidth concern, and bandwidth increases with speed

Where CW, computers, and new hams make the most dynamic impact on one another is in the learning process. I used primarily WD5CID's SUPERMORSE to get from o to Extra in just a couple of months. I also listened torecordings (home-made and used only a couple of times) on micro-cassette, W1AW practice broadcasts and bulletins, and both ham and commercial CW traffic, but without the program

it would have taken me at least 6 months to get up to Extra speed, and maybe as long as a year. Most Morse Tutor programs offer variable tone frequency, element speed, character speed, and overall word speed. Many formats are supported such as text file input, random groups, random length groups, plain text of normal words, and a letter at a time.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

289. Re: How can I have CW QSOs on the Net?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103001200.TAA06004@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182914

In article <34a14992.15028055@news.atl.bellsouth.net>, ke4zv@bellsouth.net
(Gary Coffman) writes:

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On 21 Dec 1997 06:13:40 GMT, "George Abide" <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:
>Does
>anyone know of a system that would allow me to have a "virtual" CW QSO
>via
>the Internet? Ideally I would like to plug my paddle in to my computer
>and
>go to a site that would allow me to contact others in real time and
>have a
>conversation via CW. Any help would be appreciated.

I doubt you could,
>George. How would the other fellow tune off enough
to get a beat note? OTOH
>MCW is a piece of cake. Just use Internet
Phone and a code practice
>oscillator.

Supermorse by WD5CID ver 4.16 allows dial-up QSOs by modem, though I have never
tried it. It could be done, though, in a sort of chat room where each user is
assigned a slightly different audio frequency. A keyboard key could be used as
a straight key. It would be a real neat trick to design such a system, and
probably most people with the requisite skills to tackle such a project just
don't care.

I suppose one could use a radio, though......
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

290. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980103001301.TAA06051@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182915

In article <34ad550d.1354598@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) writes:

>I don't think I graduate from the university... maybe I will. I don't know.
>you are right... it doesn't make sense at all... you have to calculus and
>other stuffs that you don't even use in the future. I hope to open up my
>own business or become a private stock broker. In this case, why am I
>university ?? what a useless time... but... public sees myself as a
>"better person" (?) if I graduate from the university I guess. It's sad, but
>like CW stuffs... we must do whatever unnecessary...

If the above is a typical example of the level of literacy among Canada's university students, then I fear our Neighbors to the North are headed for hard times. Masa, obviously, is a person without credibility as far as his opinions re: the Morse code requirement in the ARS is concerned; and, instead of concerning himself with this issue, should be working on attaining basic literacy skills instead. He can live without Amateur Radio; he cannot live without the means to make a living.

73 de Larry, K3LT
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291. Re: Code bashers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad8183.9135954@news.total.net>
Source record: 182916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 23:00:38 GMT, helmsman wrote:

>> Code is understood internationally,

so ? please explain what do you mean by "code" is understood
internationally:
if someone does not know "any English" in Japan, say, how do you
communicate ?? by q-codes ?? unfortunately, q-codes don't do
much.

>For that reason alone ALL ham's worldwide should have to at least pass
>a basic CW test.

?

> How are we going to communicate with other Hams if we
>can't even understand a "common language".

use the internet. make a phone call. it's better isn't it ??

> If those that are codeless
>think everyone in the world "speaks" english they are truly deaf!

if someone doesn't speak English, how do you communicate CW (in
English language) ? if you want to someone in japan who doesn't
know any English, you can only communicate in q-codes and some other
codes and that's it. Q-codes don't do much unfortunately. too
bad.

> If
>you want to "speak" around the world, PAY THE PRICE!

I don't have to pay the price. I use the internet. It's cheap and
it's efficient. I talk (text & voice) to the people all over the
world without a single license... from germany, france and japan.

>>ssb isnt much faster when you have to use
>>phonetics.

typing is much faster than CW for most of the people isn't it ??
also, the typing will remain on your hard HDD etc.,

>> There are probly thousand of other reasons to learn it that
>>arent mentioned here.

the reasons why CW must be learned:

1. keep obscelete mode that most people don't want to or care about.

2. to "avoid" the people out there who want to join the ham community
by requiring them CW skill... suggesting them to join internet where
they can communicate freely without being tested.

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

292. Re: Info: ADI AT-600 Mods?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ad8432.9822832@news.total.net>
Source record: 182917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 14:24:37 GMT, das@cts.com (Davida Strauss) wrote:

>On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 13:33:55 GMT, geezlu@worldnet.att.net (geezlu)
>wrote:
>
>>Anyone have the mods for the ADI AT-600 DualBand HT?
>>Thanks,Rich.
>>
>Check out:
> http://members.aol.com/adimods/index.html
>
>enjoy...
>
>>>> Davida - NI6X >>>
>
>

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/at600.htm

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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293. Re: RSGB Membership Graph 1986-2006?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: sadboy@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <34ad5256.29715329@news.prestel.co.uk>
Source record: 182918
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 25 Dec 1997 12:36:50 GMT, g3zhi@donny.unet.com (Ian Abel G3ZHI) wrote:

>RSGB Membership 1986-2006?
>
>Number of Members Year

Blah,blah blah,,,the same old tosh churned out by a bitter and twidted person with sod all else to do but grind his personal axe,,get a life,,who gives a shite about the RSGB ??,,join or dont join,,simple,,christ it must be hell being your wife/son/daughter or other relative. Isn;t it time for another pro/anti RSGB debate on that bores' paradise that is the packet network or how about another anti morse debate??. No wonder lots of people see amatuers as sad,lonely old tossers and no wonder very few women waste their time on it.

294. WTB: Heath Power Supplies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Saad Mahaini <Saad.Mahaini@mci.com>
Message-ID: <34AD8394.6849@mci.com>
Source record: 182919

Looking for:

Heath HP-14 DC-AC mobile power supply for the HA-14 1KW amp.

Heath HP-10, HP-13, HP-20, HP-23-A-B, PS-23, or other compatible power supplies for the HW-12 80M SSB radio.

295. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17dd$d8d52320$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182920
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Luldoinne Wennmeir <apple46@flexgroup.net> wrote in article
<01bd17b8$40c7d020$529192ce@default>...
>
>
> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote "Carl R. Stevenson"
> <wa6vse@fast.net>
> > wrote:
> > ok then. we don't want it. please don't force us what we don't
> > like.

Please get the attributions right ... I did NOT say the words above.

> You are not mature or intellegent enough to know what is good for you. As
> your mother once told you to "eat your vegetables", now, we tell you to
> learn the code. You should be thankful for our guidance in this matter and
> not so given to disobedience and rebellion.

I *hope* that this is another parody ... since I have been a ham for nearly
25 years, an RF engineering professional for longer than that, and am the
father of 3 and grandfather of 3, I do believe I'm well past the "eat your
veggies whether you like them or not" phase.

> > CW is obscelete. period. most people don't like it right ??
>
> You must learn the correct spelling of obsolete if you are not bright
> enough to use the spell checker. These are just the contunued whinings of
> a disobedient child who cannot get his way.

Again, I did NOT write the "quote" you attribute to me above ...

> > don't force us for HF access then.
>
> To learn CW is not necessarily for the purpose of knowing or actually using
> CW. It is to learn discipline and not give in to the easy way out.

If this is NOT parody, please feel free to take your work ethic crap and
stuff it ...

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17de$8084b040$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182921

Yo Doc <yodoc@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980103001301.TAA06051@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
> In article <34ad550d.1354598@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
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> >other stuffs that you don't even use in the future. I
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> >own business or become a private stock broker. In
> this case, why am I
> >university ?? what a useless time... but...
> public sees myself as a
> >"better person" (?) if I graduate from the
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> >like CW stuffs... we must do
> whatever unnecessary...
>
> If the above is a typical example of the level of literacy
> among Canada's university students, then I fear our
> Neighbors to the North are headed for hard times.

Roll is at it again ... most everyone else has realize that
"Masa" is apparently a Japanese student studying in Canada.
As such, English is not his primary language, but Roll insists
on slamming him because his English is not up to "Roll's Standards
of Excellence" (something like "Roll's Standards of Beeping Skills"
("Roll's BS" for short) :-)

> Masa, obviously, is a person without credibility as far
> as his opinions re: the Morse code requirement in the
> ARS is concerned;

Roll says that about virtually everyone who doesn't parrot
Roll's fanatical Morseodist cult dogma ...

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297. Re: AMOR POWERS NOT A HAM...does it matter?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17de$a8af9620$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182922

MailfrmPA <mailfrmpa@aol.com> wrote in article
<19971224210201.QAA05046@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> >>> In the no-code/future of ham radio debate it is my opinion that >> a
> >callsign is the chip that enables you to sit at the table and play >> a
hand.
> >
> >>>
> >>> K0MB
> >>>
>
> >
> >To Whom It May Concern:
> >
> >Look, let's talk plain here. I have never posted to this group and I am NOT
a
> >ham operator or a CBer....I am by training a physicist. I enjoy reading
> this.....etc, ad nauseum
>
> How many times do we have to read this?
>
> K&#65533;MB

Only as many times as you are stupid enough to read threads
that you don't care to read. It's really that simple.

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298. Re: Code bashers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17df$bbd9c940$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182923

helmsman wrote in article <34b1693e.39098568@news.mindspring.com>...
> Jay Moyer <bjmoyer@wcic.com> wrote:
> > Code is understood internationally,
> For that reason alone ALL ham's worldwide should have to at least pass
> a basic CW test. How are we going to communicate with other Hams if we
> can't even understand a "common language". If those that are codeless
> think everyone in the world "speaks" english they are truly deaf! If
> you want to "speak" around the world, PAY THE PRICE!

And anyone who believes that Morse is akin to the "universal
translator" of Star Trek fiction is either naive, brainwashed
by the Morse Myths, or just plain stupid.

Morse is simply an encoding of an alphabet into a series of
beeps (and a damned poor and inefficient encoding at that ...
see Gary's recent rehash of how simple FSK would have significant
performance advantages over OOK Morse).

Morse simply allows one to "spell" words ... it does NOT overcome
language barriers and the amount of information that can be conveyed
through the use of "Q-signals" and other abbreviations is severely
limited ... mostly to typical mindless "cookie-cutter" DX and contest
exchanges ... you know ... "rrr ur 599 in Dogpatch, ur name agn pse?"

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299. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd17e1$91382c20$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182924

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote in article <34AD3227.F3CDCE83@flash.net>...
>
>
> Bill Sohl wrote:
>
> What difference would it make if you obtained the general
>
> > and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
> > (or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
> > it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
> > Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
> > must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
> > getting the license rather than doing it on your own?
> > --------
> >
> > Bill Sohl K2UNK
>
> The only problem I see Bill is where does it end? I'll grant you the above,
but
> couldn't we make the same argument about the questions on the test, Why
should
> one answer questions about packet, SSTV, RTTY if he/ she never intend to
operate
> those modes?
>
> Why do I need to know how to calculate a 1/4 dipole, since I'm going to buy
one
> at the ham store? I don't really need to know about the Q of a circuit since
my
> rig has all broadband circuits. It would just go on and on until their is
> nothing left, it perhaps is outdated but it does at least make one work hard
to
> get it, and those are the ones I want joining the hobby, the ones that want
to
> be here, not just those who could get a ticket because it's easier now.

The theory is necessary because ham radio is *supposed* to be a
technically-oriented service. We are allowed to build, adjust, repair,
etc. and are not required to use type-accepted equipment.

I admit that today's tests don't do a very good job of assuring even a
modest degree of technical competence, but that's a different problem
that all the Morse tests in the world won't solve and needs to be
addressed separately. It does NOT justify the continuation of Morse
tests for access to HF ...

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300. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: George Abide <gabide@pclink.com>
Message-ID: <01bd17f4$1d91dec0$c9010bce@default>
Source record: 182925
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

>
> >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have been reading about using the internet
> >for telephony via your computer.
>
> what's the purpose of this ??
>
> efficiency ?????
>

Purpose...an interesting concept when you discuss CW. I espouse CW not because I think it will be the way to save my soul in some dire emergency when no other form of communication will get through. Actually, I believe that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off saving my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.

My interest and desire to pursue CW via the Internet stems from my belief that my creativity and thinking ability can be stimulated by communicating in Morse Code, because it engages a different brain process than reading or speaking does. The more of my brain I can engage the more power I have at hand to solve problems. Oddly enough, I also enjoy code. I never played guitar or any other musical instrument, so copying CW always made me feel like I could do something that not just anybody could do.

Now it gets really interesting, because while most hams want a no code license, I want a no theory license, because I don't have any particular interest in tinkering with radios, stringing antennas up outside my home, etc. etc. I want to send and receive CW, that's it.

Many people have replied to my request for information on "virtual CW" with the response "but who would you talk to?"... I have friends who also like CW, and I also believe that there are others like me who would enjoy the mental challenge and stimulation that CW provides. If we build it they will come.

I hope that this answers some of the questions that people have about why I want to establish a means of communicating in Morse via the Internet, in real time. However, while I have found a plethora of information on how to have the computer turn Morse into type, I have yet to find out how to interface my Bencher paddle to my Compaq, and set up a site where CW fans could chat. If anyone has any ideas please pass them on.

Meanwhile, I will leave the arguments over code vs. no code to the rest of you.

301. FS: $30 b/o Simpson 360 Digital VOM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <68kcri$k7c$3@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 182926

SIMPSON 360 DIGITAL VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER. Bought it and found I could not test it, because it uses a three prong unique sized Simpson extension cord that appears to be no longer available from Simpson (I tried to buy it). It has a battery compartment for battery powered field use, but one of the metal contacts need replacing so I could not test it that way. The point is I don't wish to put any money into it if I can't buy a power cord for it. I wanted it for bench use. I would guess that it does not run, but maybe it does? Probably good for someone who wants a back up parts unit for their Simpson 360. It's a shame, because the thing is a super unit in nice physical condition. Do not have leads or manual. $30 or best offer.

Plus UPS Shipping costs which are not much. I'll pack it free and bring it directly to UPS to get you the lowest shipping rate.

302. FS: PC GOES\Wefax

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: fhunt*@*javanet.com
Message-ID: <68kd11gj3@as1000.javanet.com>
Source record: 182927

Hello to all:

Thanks for taking the time to read and respond.
I have for sale Weather satellite capture software and hardware.
PC GOES\Wefax allows you (with the right receiving equipment) not
included,
to capture display and print weather pictures from polar orbiting
satellites
as well as HF Facsimile. Software, hardware (demodulator) and extensive
manual. You cover all shipping and insurance cost.
$100.00

Contact me fhunt*@*javanet.com
Please remove the "**" to respond

Thanks again..... Fulton

303. FS: Packet package

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: fhunt*@*javanet.com
Message-ID: <68kd38gj4@as1000.javanet.com>
Source record: 182928

Hello to all:

Thanks for taking the time to read and respond.
I have for sale a packet package. Baycom Modem and software ver. 1.5
and a Maxon 1watt/5watt H.T. with four channels on 145.010, 030, 050,
070
with the battery, dual slot charger.
$50.00 for everything.

Contact me fhunt*@*javanet.com
Please remove the "**" to respond

Thanks again..... Fulton

304. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-03 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michel Morin <morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca>
Message-ID: <sUir.17$Dx1.434909@carnaval.risq.qc.ca>
Source record: 182929

Larry
Cutie boy alias M@s@ is an exchange student from Japan, not a fellow
Canadian. His main language is Japanese and he does seem to have a problem
with English. You should read his French, it's much worse than his English.

73 Michel.

Yo Doc a crit dans le message
<19980103001301.TAA06051@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
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305. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD4AFW <kd4afw@wingnet.net>
Message-ID: <34B0774B.12DA@wingnet.net>
Source record: 182483

Kc7vho wrote:
>
> I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10
> meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods
> for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter
> radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone
> help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx
> series? If you have any info on galaxy radios please
> email me and thanks for your time and help 73 Kc7vho
Try Copper Electronics..They are the ones selling the shit to the New York Taxidrivers and anybody else with a few bucks and even less sense..Want to hear the end result..Tune in on 10 mtrs any-time the band is open, and listen to the wide-assed AM signals up and down the band..TXing on top of beacons, QSOs, and anything else that happens to be there..Why isnt anything done about this idiot. Is the FCC going to abandon enforcing 10 as they did 11 years ago? Whats the consensus on this subject? Am I the only one that gets irate on this subject?...John

306. Re: 7 MHz Loop antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b0044f.12704150@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182484

I live in the city, but your acrage is most impressive.
My suggestion would be to use the roof of the metal barn simply as a support for the antenna. I don't know how much distance is between each of the buildings, but, run the wire from each of the various buildings, on the lot. using them as connection points for each corner of the square antenna. In other words, take advantage of the full size of the acrage (not spelled right).
Larry ve3fxq

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 00:04:20 -0500, Jay Moyer <bjmoyer@wcic.org> wrote:

>Hello in need help with this delima. I got the ARRL antenna handbook
>17th edition and on page 5-18 there is a 7-MHz verticle wire loop
>antenna. I live on a farm so there is alot of buildings. The one that I
>think would be best is the tallest barn with a tin multi slope roof.
>The first slope is about 20 degrees from verticle and the second is
>about 45 degrees, the other half of the barn is the same. If i built
>four of them two of them would give a high angle propagation and the
>other two a low angle propagation but what effect would the tin roof
>have on the antennas, would puting the antenna on standoffs help? Could
>I phase them all together to make one kick glutius maximus. The antenna
>if it worked would transmit east and west. I could do the same thing on
>another barn for the north and south. If you have any ideas please
>reply
>
>Thanks in advance for the input
>
>Jay Moyer
>bjmoyer@wcic.org

307. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AFE54C.5959@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182533
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Mushi Mushi = I will ignore you. go away

Masa correcting someone's spelling?

Hey Masa - Mushi Mushi. Please!

Lumpy
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

308. Re: Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AFE4D0.16B@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182534
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

My fellow ham Frank writes:
> Gee... it would take up an entire page of the log book just to have one
> qso with him...Why so many calls?

Lumpy writes:
That new ARRL award. WAD. Worked All DEIGNAN's.
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

309. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68oo16$5cb$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182535
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

> I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him to
> interface with people that haven't been educated with
> English as their primary language. With the attitude
> shown above, I'd sure not want MD on any global
> venture undertaking I'm involved with.

Political correctness at its finest.

If I'm involved in any international venture, you can damn well bet I
want *ALL* cooerespondence to be crystal-clear, no room for misunderstandings.
Anything less creates room for future problems. To suggest that it is
somehow "acceptable" to have poor interpersonal communication skills, even
with multiple cultures, is utterly laughable. This is exactly why businesses
hire talented bilingual employees or pay major dollars for an outside
translation company -- to avoid potential misunderstandings due to language
barriers.

If someone is going to take the time to post to a predominently english-
written USENET newsgroup, then they had better take the time to make a
concerted effort to make their postings coherent. MASA's postings fall
short in this regard. As a result, his thoughts are muddled and it is
difficult to take anything he posts seriously, even if he has the best
of intentions in posting.

In article <01bd1922$4f4d7260$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>I guess they believe that the way to "foster international goodwill"
>is by being arrogant assholes and insulting people from different
>cultures

I wouldn't know about being an arrogant asshole or insulting people, Carl.
I'm sorry to say I would have to learn from the master of those arts --
you -- if I were really interested.

> ... come to think of it, that's exactly how I treat
>any ham who's technical knowledge is not "up to my standards of excellence,"
>too ...

Yes, we know.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have

-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

310. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68oo67$5d4$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182536
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34AFB4E1.310EB156@shore.net>,
WK1V <Netscape, Navigator, 4.04> wrote:

>Hey! Give 'im a break. He's just a young kid with a lot of growing up to do.

Sorry Jim, I can't agree. He's supposedly a mature young adult in college.
About time he started to learn life's little lessons.

>But I do wonder how well you would do to write or speak anything in
>Japanese.

Probably very poorly. I can only remember a little Kanji and Kitakana. Then
again, I'm not going over to ja.nocode.ham-radio.forever and posting
messages exposing the virtues of code testing.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

311. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Glenn <glennmiller@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68oq44$t17@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182537

In article <01bd18b9$7b5498c0$16cbf2ce@william>, "William Lee"
<willee@interconnect.net> writes:

>Someone told me today that they passed the 5 WPM code test by sending CW
for
>2 min. Is this a real way to pass the code test for Tech Plus? Or is
something fishy
> going on here?

Actually FCC Part 97.503(a) reads, "A telegraphy examination must be
sufficient to prove that the examinee has the ability to send correctly by
hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in the international Morse code
at not less than the prescribed speed, using all the letters of the
alphabet, numerals 0-9, period, comma, question mark, slant mark and
prosigns ar, bt and sk."

And Part 97.509(d) goes on to say, "Passing a telegraphy receiving
examination is adequate proof of an examinee's ability to both send and
receive telegraphy."

There is no provision for substituting a sending test for a receiving test.
So, if someone passes a code examination simply by sending CW with no
receiving test involved, the examiners are in violation of the testing
procedures.

Glenn, AA5PK

312. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: h0444xrp@blablarz.hu-berlin.de
Message-ID: <34aec8fe.6978770@newshost.rz.hu-berlin.de>
Source record: 182538
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 13:07:21 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>Michel: I suppose you speak Japanese as well as I do in French ??
Dekireba, dou suru? CW ha ningen no kotoba to onaji mitai - benkyou shinakereba "kaiwa" ha dekinai. Nihon no kyouiku seido de, seito ha futsuu honyaku dake benkyoushimasu. Daigaku sotsugyou demo, eigo nado ha amari shaberimasen. Kaiwa ha muri dakara, cw ga chance wo tsukurimasu.
Doryoku shitakunai hito ha hf demo zannennagara yoku aemasu. Doryoku ha ia dakara, dekiru dake yori tsuyoi linear wo tsukatte, kou iu fuu ni jibun mo qrm to narimasu. Kekka: Motto tsuyoi linear ga hitsuyou desu. Soshite: Aite kyoku ga 59 de nakereba qso shinai...
Konna konran wo fusegu tame, cw no shiken ga arimasu...

To all other readers: Sorry for posting in Japanese (although not in Kanji), but I think Masa should understand this without problems.
I'm a German by birth, learned English, Russian, Japanese, Chinese - and cw too. For me it is one more language to communicate in and I don't want to miss it. Each language I learnt also includes manners, behaviors,... And so does cw...
My hf antenna is just a simple wire. When I try to qso in ssb, most stations don't hear me, because my signal is not "59". When I try in cw, I get a respond nearly every time...

73! de Olaf

Olaf Fichtner, Humboldt University, Chinese&Japanese Department
DL7UND, Member of JAIG #133 AX.25: DL7UND@DB0GR.#BLN.DEU.EU
Please delete "blabla" in the address for correct reply...

313. The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104112842.11374J-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182539

CB Bimbo wrote: "ARRL is the self-proclaimed voice of amateur radio
and represents itself to the FCC as such," and continues, "Where's
that fat ol' CB Bimbo?"

You've got that a bit skewed, Bimbo. Since 1914 the government has
known that it can reach a considerable number of US hams by going
through the ARRL.

It was the League that united the nation's hams; prior to the ARRL,
the various ham clubs across the country were isolated and worked
independently of each other.

It was the League that set up the *very* first coast-to-coast radio
relay network (remember, there were no commercial radio broadcasts
at this time - only the continental telephone system existed). This
proved to the government just how valuable the League was for national
communications. As a result, the government awarded the League the
use of 425m for this national trunk-line system. (Remember, hams
were banned to wavelengths below 200m in 1912).

Another very important example: When the US was forced to join the
WWI hostilities, the Navy desperately needed hundreds of radio operators
immediately. The Navy turned to the ARRL and asked for help; the ARRL
put out the call, and within 10 days 2500 hams volunteered as military
ops. Next, the Navy found itself dangerouly short of radio equipment,
and asked the ARRL to help supply ham gear from the better stations
belonging to the League trunk-lines. (At that time, many hams ran
superior gear than that of the Navy and commercial stations.) The
equipment was immediately donated. League officers left the ARRL
to become military radio instructors: Clarence Tuska, League secretary,
was place in charge of the Army Air Corps radio training; Edwin
Armstrong was placed in charge of the Signal Corps' Radio Lab
at Paris, France.

There are hundreds more examples I could provide, Bimbo, of why
the government believes the ARRL and amateur radio are synonymous.
Of course, you're too blinded by some hostility or ignorance to see the
larger picture.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

314. Re: IC 751a - memory

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R0401981128520001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 182540

In article <01bd18d5$bf1161d0$058098c1@va3ncd>, "Jarek" <va3ncd@sprint.ca>
wrote:

>Can somebody help me recover my Icom 751a
>from the memory crash? I mean the battery.
>It's gone now and it's too late :-(
>I need to reprogram the memory with an original
>code that I don't have.
>Does anyone have it by any chance?
>The solar cycle 23 is on its way up and I just
>have lost my radio :-(
>
>TNX, Jarek

You can either buy a new RAM board from ICOM (at what I recall is a
reasonable price) or send your radio to them for a new battery and
reprogramming.

I believe the RAM programming must be done by the factory.

Good luck.

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

315. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34AFD2AB.A45C6BC6@flash.net>
Source record: 182541

CBRambo wrote:

Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's fine.

> Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I highly doubt it Rambo, I was listening to nets on 75 which were for purposes of discussion no different from the nets you hear today, music, dirty jokes, jamming, name calling and the like. That was in 1973/74 as an SWL, 25 years ago. In 25 years not much has changed, They (the particular nets on 75) have not destroyed the hobby yet, do you really think a VERY small portion of operators is going to pull the hobby down? I mean how many stump jumpers and liberty netters are there anyway 200? tops?
Give us a break from it all. Will you be happy if the hobby falls apart? Will it make you feel good to point your finger and say I told you so? Now the real question is, what have YOU done to benefit the hobby?

You tell us you ceased your amateur operations due to the attitude of many hams, were you so weak that you let a few bad apples spoil the hobby for you? Could you not find any other operators that shared your same interests. I cant believe someone would put in the effort it takes to get licensed and then a few jerks take it all away from you because they said something you didnt agree with. Pretty weak Rambo, pretty weak.

Tim

316. Re: Making a Low power FM transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tandy Way <tandyway@ij.net>
Message-ID: <01bd194b$9fc0dba0$802b04d1@tandyway>
Source record: 182542

> >>
> >> I'm currious what kind of rig you have that is channelized on two
meters?

what cave did you crawl out of? channel is the accepted term for fm
frequency pairs or simplex not necessarily channels in the strictest sense
of the word. get up to speed before showing your ignorance.
k4ysn

> >
> >They all are, except for the multi-mode rigs.
>
> And except for oldies like the TS-700, even the multimodes are
channelized.
> They just have smaller steps between channels.
>
> Gary
> Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
> 534 Shannon Way | We break it |
> Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |
>

317. WTB: JRC NRD-515 Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ben Wallace <bwallace@sd.cts.com>
Message-ID: <01bd194f$1a32f5a0$3506a3cd@bwallace.cts.com>
Source record: 182543

Want to buy JRC NRD 515 Receiver in excellent condition.
Please let me know condition and price. If interested, I have
Drake R4C in excellent condition with Noise Blanker for
possible trade.

Thanks,
Ben Wallace
WB8HUR -- San Diego

bwallace@sd.cts.com

318. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34AF6410.1028@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 182544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
>
> No, Larry ... many of us have, as our *primary* interest, experimenting with
> new digital modulation techniques, coding schemes (for error correction,
> not encryption), protocols, etc. to permit faster data transfers with
> lower power, less interference, and more robust performance in the face of
> the sometimes wildly varying propagation characteristics encountered at HF.
> (Note that this work *cannot* be done at VHF/UHF because the propagation
> environment and impairments are so dramatically different. Note, also, that
> in a purely digital transmission environment, "bits R bits," and can convey
> Morse code, voice, weather data, text messages, video, computer files, or
> whatever.)
>
> In the future (if the pro-coders don't succeed in killing ham radio before
> it arrives at the future ... it's currently mired WELL in the past), there
> will be virtually no need for mode-based sub-band restrictions ... because
> no matter what type of communications you're conducting (perhaps several
> different ones at the same time with the same radio ...) the underlying
> modulation, coding, protocols, etc. will be essentially the same.
>
> We have, however, proposed the establishment of modest (say 25 kHz) MORSE
> ONLY segments at the bottom of each HF band (where NO such preserve now
> exists ... remember, the ONLY "MORSE ONLY" segments specified by Part 97
> are tiny slivers at the bottom of 6m and 2m). The purpose of these segments
> is to provide assurances to the Morse enthusiasts that we are not trying
> to ban the use of the mode (Morse use would continue to be permitted on ALL
> amateur frequencies) and to provide a "preserve" where Morse enthusiasts could
> beep to their heart's content without having to compete with ANY of the more
> modern modes.
>
> Of course, this sort of progress and growth will take folks who understand
> and want to learn more about how radio works, rather than simply appliance-
> operating button pushers who judge everyone on the basis of how fast they
> can beep. The antiquated Morse requirement (and the "We beepers are a better,
> more worth class of ham than you folks who aren't interested in beeping."
> attitude have kept out multitudes of intelligent people who would have made
> good hams and could have contributed a lot to the ARS.
>
> The rabid pro-coders insist on trying to say "All they want to do is to
> grab a mike and start screaming 'CW DX' or 'CW contest'" ... While there
> *are* quite a few no-code-test advocates who are avid CW users and some
> who participate in DXing and contests (using both CW and/or SSB) I assure
> you that those are activities that are of little or no interest to many of us.

>
> As far as HF packet or AMTOR, I have operated both extensively (yes, I am a
> "lowly" tech+ here in the states, but I lived for several years in another
> country where I had full amateur privileges under the terms of a license from
> that sovereign country). HF packet sucks ... it was a half-assed abortion from
> the get-go ... AMTOR is *much* better, but even it has been greatly surpassed
> by PACTOR, PACTOR II, CLOVER, etc. and there is LOTS of room for improvement.
>
> So, don't let the fact that you don't see a lot of folks saying "I want to use
> HF packet" etc. mislead you ... many of us would love to be involved in the
> development of things that are even better than what is available now ...
> however, the pro-coders want to keep things like they were in the past. They
> can't stand the idea of ever more advanced technology rendering OOK Morse ever
> more and more obsolete. They ignore or declare irrelevant the fact that
> virtually all other radio services abandoned OOK Morse decades ago for better
> things (the last, the maritime service, will officially abandon OOK Morse in
> 1999 ... the US Coast Guard stopped even monitoring for Morse transmissions
> some time ago).
>
> So please don't listen to the distortions and lies posted by desperate pro-
> code fanatics ... they resort to those distortions and lies because they don't
> have a *single* rational, logical reason why mandatory Morse testing should be
> maintained. They have an almost endless list of Morse Myths, arguments
> relative
> to "tradition," and FUD (Fear, Uncertainty, and Doubt) relative to how the
> "hordes of CBers and outbanders will turn ham radio into a wasteland if the
> code test requirement is dropped or reduced" ... but NONE of their arguments
> hold a single drop of truth.
>
> Ham radio desperately needs growth and *redirection towards its chartered
> purposes* if it is to provide sufficient public benefit to justify its
> extensive
> frequency allocations into the coming century. DXing, contesting, and clinging
> to the past while the rest of the world leaves us in the technological dust
> will not "cut it" in this regard. It is, quite literally, a question of
> "accept
> change and modernize or die."
>
> The Morse requirement is an anachronism that serves only to preserve the
> largely
> self-endowed status of an "elite" minority who wish to "rule the playground"
> like
> a small clique of bullies (through dominance based on pure physical prowess)
> ..
> I suspect that most rational people realize that the playground bully is
> *seldom*
> the brightest and most capable individual in the general population ...
>
> In fact, most of the more rabid pro-coders here come across A LOT like "Biff"
> from the "Back to the Future" flicks ...

>
> --
> Carl - wa6vse
> wa6vse@fast.net
> NCI #1052
> Join No Code International!
> Support the modernization of ham radio and
> help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

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No,
I don't believe there are any reasonable facts for keeping the Morse code requirement and it's not an effective LID "filter". From where I look many of those who would like Morse code knowledge free access to HF bands, are those who don't want to do the means necessary to achieve the end. I have heard much of Carl's arguments before, during the establishment of the currant Tech class license. We heard that the Tech class license will attract those echo are interested in learning and many of our unused bands will see more activity and thus protecting them from commercial interest. Ladies and gentleman, it didn't happen. I can't fault the newly licensed Tech's. They received damn little encouragement from the established Amateur community and much worse nothing from the ARRL.

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

319. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AFFD22.2BF6@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182545
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

W6RCA wrote:>
> The CW testing requirement may drive The Communicatorï¿½ toward the internet.
> It simply keeps some experimenters away from ham radio because learning
> Morse code is perceived to be an obsolete requirement and not worth the
> effort by a large number of experimenters.
>
Would you care to show data indicating that "large numbers" of
experimenters kepy away from ham radio by CW versus the numbers of those
actively and fully involved in ham radio *AND* experimenting?

I think you are attempting to tilt the playing field in the direction
of your personal biases. There are many engineer/experimenters who hold
Extra class licenses-fully code tested- and disagree completely with
your assesment. Most won't challenge you here since anyone doing so has
been instantly branded as "bACKward" or "Luddite".

Persons who have the mental capacity to attain that level of learning
rarely if ever have any *real* problem in learning something as mundane
as Morse Code.

It's largely an attitude problem, of course, the "I just don't want to
do anything that I don't think I should have to do" syndrome. I feel
sure there are many engineer/experimenters who are embarassed by this
no-coder theme.

> Some will argue that the "large number of experimenters" have freely
> choosen to avoid ham radio as a hobby. IMO, ham radio needs experimenters
> more than the experimenters need ham radio. IMO, the lack of such
> individuals within the ham radio ranks is the major problem facing the
> ARS as we enter the 21st century.

Where is *ANY* evidence there is any lack of such individuals in ham
radio, or any evidence there has ever been any such lack? Because you
know a couple of sharp individuals that reject ham radio -or full
participation as code licensed hams- doesn't set out the future for the
entire hobby/service.

If that's the extent of the problems faced by ham radio, we are in
great shape. All those "experimenters" are free to join in any time.

Dick W0EX

320. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104213301.QAA07115@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182546

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104112842.11374J-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) writes:

>You've got that a bit skewed, Bimbo. Since 1914 the government has
known that
>it can reach a considerable number of US hams by going
through the ARRL.

What the government doesn't yet realize, though, is that the number is
decreasing every day. ARRL membership as a percentage of licensed amateurs is
at an all-time low and continuing to drop. Perhaps their 1930's-era policies
just might have something to do with this?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

321. Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104213301.QAA04406@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182547

In article <68oia5$53p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>Take a look at the FCC licensing. Prior to 2/91, when the codeless
>tech
license came into being, there were ~250k licensed amateurs in the US.
>In
the past seven years, we have seen those numbers almost triple.

Lucky for you. If those numbers had remained stagnant (as they would have
without the no-code license), I'll bet you would not have nearly the amount of
frequency spectrum available for amateur use today.

Yet,
>tuning around the bands, I don't hear 3 times as much activity today
as I did
>back in the late 80's. I hear many more people, but not activity.

I believe
>the problem resides in how amateur radio is sold to people. Back
in the late
>80's, with the creation of the codeless license, amateur radio
was sold to
>people as a FRS. "Keep in touch with your friends and family,
no code test
>required!" Amateur radio was not billed as a technical
service back then,
>e.g. "Learn remote command and control, telemetry,
and other kinds of cool
>stuff!" (appealing to those computer geniuses
we were supposed to get.)

Hey, if someone passes the test, obtains a license, and purchases a radio, they
have the right (within legal parameters, of course) to use that radio any way
they see fit. Again, if it were not for these new, codeless techs "keeping in
touch with their family and friends", I guarantee there would be far fewer
frequencies allocated to "amateur use" today.

The
>codeless license was sold to amateur radio as being a means by which
all
>these technical geniuses were going to get involved in ham radio, but
who
>were turned away because the code test was "outdated" or required too
much of
>their busy time to pass in order to get on VHF.

Which was absolutely true, and remains true today with regards to the continued Morse barrier for HF access.

What is truely funny about
>the codeless tech license is that all it did
was remove the 5WPM test for all
>VHF privileges -- and the 5wpm code test
is the easiest of all tests,
>amounting to little more than a mental table
translation. When push comes to
>shove, the codeless tech license did
nothing except remove a relatively
>minor requirement from the licensing
structure.

As it should be for an entry-level license.

>Yet, what I see today and
>hear on the radio today are a large number
of people with little interest in
>the aspects of radio (whether technical
or in the art of communication) and
>more in the "personal communication"
aspect. Ham radio is a cheap cell phone.

Again, if the operator goes through the hoops and makes the investment, they have a legal right to use their privileges for any legally-permitted purpose.

Several years ago I was an officer for the largest radio club in Rhode
>Island,
with 350 members. This club sponsored a repeater, which had
>coverage
in 75% of the state. On the repeater was an autopatch. Guarenteed,
>at least
once a month, when a new member would join, s/he would use the
>autopatch
an average of 10 times per day. And, you couldn't talk to these
>people.
Try to tell them that the autopatch was there for nominal or
>emergency
use, and isn't supposed to be a replacement for a cell or pay
>phone,
invariably we would get the welfare state mentality reply: "HEY! I
>PAID
MY $20! IT'S MY RIGHT TO USE THE AUTOPATCH HOWEVER I WANT!"

Just how is this "welfare mentality" when the operator in question PAID for the privilege of accessing the autopatch?

>I just
>don't think there are many newcomers
>with enough interest in amateur radio
>that want to be helped.

Depends on what your idea of "helping" them is. If it includes criticizing
their operating procedure, trying to shove Morse code down their throats, or
telling them that they're not "real hams" because they haven't submitted to the
Morse hazing ritual, then yes, I can see where they would not want to be
"helped."

More often than not they are hostile when you
>attempt to offer constructive
criticism or advise. One time I was chatting on
>146.55 simplex with a
roundtable, and I kept hearing someone talking, as if
>they were a few KCs
off, like on 146.54. No amount of searching could find
>them. At one point
I thought perhaps they were close to me in a mobile and I
>was getting some
front-end overload, until someone else in the roundtable
>eventually heard
them too. Finally, we found the party talking on the 146.70
>repeater (with
a 146.10 input). I could hear his signal from 145.8 to 146.6.
>When I
called him on the radio (and later the phone) to tell him he might
>have a
problem with his radio, I was told "F OFF, A-HOLE".

Unfortunate, but surely the exception, rather than the rule. Is it possible
that maybe...just maybe...you may have used some sort of derogatory manner
which caused you to receive a response like this?

>Take an HF
>radio to a HAM club meeting and see how long it takes
>to give it away....
>

I'm running into this problem right now. As President of Rhode
>Island's
second-oldest amateur radio club (est. 1926), we maintain a
>fully
operational club station at a clubhouse the club owns outright.
>Yet,
nobody ever uses it. One or two people might operate on a Friday
>nite
when we're down there, but that's it. Other than our "70th
>anniversity"
special event station last year, where we made over 1000
>contacts, the
station has been relatively unused. I've personally, out of my
>own pocket,
donated a new pentium computer system and a drake L4B to upgrade
>the
station. We've installed a new ICOM HF/6 meter (IC730, I think is

>the
right number), purchased by the club. New antennas, new coax,
>totally
remodeled station courtesy of our "station manager" and.... no
>use.

Maybe they don't like the company. If you harp on the newcomers to your club
the same way you talk down to no-coders on this newsgroup, I can certainly
understand why they might feel this way.

>I'm sure a lot of new hams or people who are thinking about ham
>radio
>are confused by what they read here. People who are hams who
>come
>here looking for something interesting or constructive about ham radio
>
>don't usually stay here for long.

When you really get down to it, though,
>Jim, what is interesting about
amateur radio anymore? The technology is old,
>and newer technology is
outside the engineering capabilities of 99% of
>today's hams. What is
left to talk about? I visit our clubhouse for our
>weekly friday evening
meetings, and we end up talking about our jobs, other
>events in our
lives -- rarely anything "radio" related.

So, maybe it's time to come full-circle. Admit that amateur radio has served a
useful purpose in the history of communications in this country, but also be
brave enough to admit that it's approach, it's means, and it's methods are now
very primitive, as measured by today's cutting-edge modes of communication.
After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out mechanical
noises on a brass key...and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on
receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order to
communicate around the world? Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their
pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less) can purchase a used Pentium
computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions,
atmospherics, man-made interference, or signal jammers. Maybe it's time to pay
our final respects to "the old girl" and lie her to rest, gracefully, before
the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

322. Re: internet vs ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104214101.QAA05445@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182548

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104104852.11374G-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) writes:

>I prefer building my radios and communicating without having to
depend upon
>others to provide the path. Propagation is free.

Only because Bill Clinton has not yet found a way to tax it. Give him time.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

323. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104214101.QAA08191@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182549

In article <19980104184800.NAA15241@ladder01.news.aol.com>, petermaus@aol.com
(Peter Maus) writes:

>You wanna use the bands? Pass the test.

This would be fine if you personally owned the frequency spectrum in question.
But you do not. It is publicly-owned and as such, the requirements for using
it must be relevant. Morse code no longer is.

>Incidently, for those who will
>undoubtedly ask... I never did get my ham
>license.

Now HERE'S a qualified voice to comment on ham radio issues.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

324. FT-8100R mod info - Yaesu FT-8100 MOD.jpg (0/1)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: nospam_cblazer@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b003fb.1847698@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182550

hope this gets posted correctly.

325. FT-8100R mod info - Yaesu FT-8100 MOD.jpg (1/1)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: nospam_cblazer@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b10475.1972399@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182551
Body handling: Inline uuencoded payload not displayed: Yaesu FT-8100 MOD.jpg

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[Inline uuencoded payload not displayed: Yaesu FT-8100 MOD.jpg]
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326. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b005b5.3349904@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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>
>I'd also like to take this opportunity to apologize for the gentleman who called
>you an 'exchange student'. Nobody in their right mind would ever exchange a
>perfectly good Canadian for you........
>
>73, Jim KH2D
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>
I laughed so hard at this one that it almost 'made me stupid'!
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327. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68p304$5js$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182553

In article <19980104184800.NAA15241@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
Peter Maus <petermaus@aol.com> wrote:

>What is coming out of all this debate, is that the code requirement for access
>to the ham bands is a roadblock to the 'elite'.

Hello Peter,

You've pretty much hit the nail on the head. All one has to do is go back
and review the postings of the No-Code Agenda poster-boy, Carl Stevenson.
Stevenson has posted, on numerous occasions, how he refuses to take the
13wpm code test because he is better than that. He has told us how he
has forgotten more RF theory than that contained in the pooled knowledge
of all the universe's amateur operators. He speaks of hundreds of
engineers he personally knows who refuse to get tech licenses because they
refuse to be "2nd class citizens".

What we basically see from Stevenson's postings is that he, and his
"engineering buddies", are a bunch of prima-donnas who are used to being
treated like royality. Now, here comes ham radio, with that pesky little
code test. "WELL! <harmph!> How DARE they test me in such a MENIAL mode!
I'm A GENIUS!" they all think to themselves. So, the code test is now
"outdated" (even though code remains the second most popular mode in use
on HF today) and "obsolete" (right next to SSB, which is a few years
younger, I guess), and how every ham who is not experimenting in some
new gee-whiz digital mode is a "luddite".

Stevenson and his prima-donnas fail to recognize that there are two
parts to amateur radio. There is the technical aspect, which is very
important. However, it is less important today than 20 years ago.
Electronic circuits, with custom manufacturered, non-documented ICs,
are more difficult to design and engineer these days than the typical
tube rig the average ham built for his shack 30 years ago. Equally,
perhaps even more important, is the art of communication.

Let's look at things another way: which is more likely to be remembered
by people: 1) that a ham created new technology which ultimately was
engineered into your cell phone, or 2) that hams were able to assist
in your local disaster communications during the last hurricane?

Technical knowledge is important, for competence. In-depth technical
knowledge at the engineering level is no longer required in amateur radio.
Instead, ability to communicate effectively is the important skill.
Remember: image is everything. When all people see are the "public service"
aspects of our hobby, its those elements we have to impress them with.
They're not going to know (or care) that some IC in their cell phone was

engineered by a ham operator.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

328. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68p35n$5kl$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182554

In article <01bd1936$0a704460$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Recent numbers posted her showed a net decline in the number of HF licensed
>hams in the US

Recent numbers posted here showed point data for one month only. One set of observations does not equal a trend. On the contrary, we see the number of licensed amateurs increased overall by over 30k in 1997. All license classes showed growth.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

329. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET
Message-ID: <883956319.1515585537@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182555

In article <34AFA5F7.2718@scan.missouri.org>,
w0ex@scan.missouri.org wrote:
>
> Jim Kehler wrote:>
> > So how's ham radio in Canada, Masa, is it fun there too ? Do they have
> > lots of VHF repeaters, or do you just talk to cops on your HT ?
> >
> > 73, Jim KH2D
>
> How would he know? He never gets on the air and actually USES ham
> radio, just spouts drivel on usenet about it, like most other no-coders.

amen amen amen.. we all know this to be true......
I agree 100%.....................................
You know to build something it takes work.. hard labor..
and real effort.. to destroy something, well any JACKASS
CAN KICK THE BARN IN...
8TT

----------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

330. RadioLink Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Norbert Wysocki <wysock@globalnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <68p2e4aok1@heliodor.xara.net>
Source record: 182556
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,alt.radio.uk,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have developed a software package for the design/assessment of
point - to - point radio links for the frequency range of 30MHz to 60GHz.

The software calculates system and path losses and by changing antennae
feeders etc, a reliable radio link can be designed.

A terrain profile can also be produced from OS DTM map data or entering by
hand distances and heights.

Results can be printed out.

Please visit my site http://www.users.globalnet.co.uk/~wysock for further
details.

Norbert Wysocki

331. eQSL Page online

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: MIKE NORTON <manorton@thegrid.net>
Message-ID: <68p96fgub1@zinger.callamer.com>
Source record: 182557

Hi, with all the talk over eQSL's I wanted to announce my eQSL page. Its at
http://www.qsl.net/kf6ncy/eQSL.html

Im also looking for more eQSL's to add to the page, so if you have one
please send it to me.

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In His Service
Mike Norton, KF6NCY
Pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Willows, California
http://www.tcnet.net/manorton - Berean On-Line Ministries
http://www.qsl.net/kf6ncy - KF6NCY and NCZ's ham page

332. Re: Growth of Amateur Radio, latest statistics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B02683.7D4C@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
> > >
> > CJ, K0CJ
>
> I think you're naive as hell.
>

and I think you're stupid as hell--I like him better.
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333. FT-990 Low Pwr Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Kerr <eukerr@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <esV$EGXG9GA.205@upnetnews04>
Source record: 182559

Power on FT-990 can only be lowered to about 10 Watts. A simple modification can be made by turning VR-1017 on the RF- unit full clockwise. Power range will be about 1.7 to 17 Watts from front panel.

73
Rick - KA8EGS

334. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
Message-ID: <34B0316B.2C8EE570@direct.ca>
Source record: 182560

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

>(snip)
> Technical knowledge is important, for competence. In-depth
> technical knowledge at the engineering level is no longer
> required in amateur radio. Instead, ability to communicate
> effectively is the important skill...

I've maintained this for some time: that ham radio in the 1990s
is primarily a not-very-technical personal communication service.
It's nice to hear a pro-code person agree.

...laura

335. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: mb@nac.net
Message-ID: <mb-0401982054180001@nac-wsh4-s41-115k.nac.net>
Source record: 182561

In article <01bd1977$e60f31c0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

> The fact that ARRL membership is only about 25% of US hams is
> proof enough of their lies. That many, many "members" such as
> myself are dissenters who have reluctantly kept membership only
> so we could "keep an eye on the shenanigans" and avoid the classic
> "if you're not a member you have no right to complain about league
> policies" argument.

> NCI #1052
> Join No Code International!
> Support the modernization of ham radio and
> help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

How many members does No Code International have?
--
_____________M_a_r_k___S___B_o_n_d____W_2_M_B__

336. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
Message-ID: <34B04736.2271@netcom.ca>
Source record: 182562
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the other way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW op. but why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment appears here and there?
I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me alone and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
If you have nothing else to do other than making this kind of comment, go try to learn code(for a change which will never happen, hi) or do/ learn something useful for your life/career. If still nothing else, go to sleep or eat something and keep the mouth shut.
Tony, VE6CGX

337. Re: TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Alfred Strom <kevin.strom@innocent.com>
Message-ID: <34B04BD1.4294@innocent.com>
Source record: 182563

Certain TS440's, before a certain serial number, have a problem with the potting compound covering the VCO components becoming conductive and corrosive with age. This partially shorts out the circuitry, and generally causes the PLL to unlock and go crazy.

If this is your problem, it will only get worse.

It happened to my 440 about three years ago.

I delicately scraped the potting compound off of my circuit board and resoldered every connection, but honestly it is not a solution I can recommend to others -- too many possibilities for disaster.

Jim, KA3LPC, is a Kenwood expert and repair technician who first told me about this common problem and he is experienced in resolving it. I advise looking him up at the QRZ or Buckmaster database and dropping him a line.

Good luck in fixing your 440.

With all good wishes,

Kevin, WB4AIO.
--

Kevin Alfred Strom.

please note my new e-mail address

mailto:kevin.strom@innocent.com

Resources on the Internet (Not all are affiliated with me; I speak only for myself.):

Patriotic Education --
http://www.natall.com http://www.natvan.com
Exalted European Art --
http://www.isleofavalon.co.uk/gframing/gframing.html
An Incomplete Archive of My Usenet Posts, courtesy of the opposition --
http://www.nizkor.org/ftp.cgi/people/s/strom.kevin.alfred/1996
Free Speech in Canada --
http://alpha.ftcnet.com/~freedom/
Politically Incorrect --
http://www.sound.net/~fenix/
Western Imperative Network --
http://www.usaor.net/users/ipm
Library of Yggdrasil --
http://www.ddc.net/ygg/
Institute for Historical Review --

http://www.kaiwan.com/~ihrgreg/
Nationalist Resource Page --
http://www.stormfront.org/
The Zundelsite --
http://www.webcom.com/ezundel/english/
Tyndall Looks at Covington --
http://www.webcom.com/bnp/c18.html
The Incomparable Revilo Oliver --
http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/america

338. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd1nr@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68pelp$5q8$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182564

In article <01bd18b9$7b5498c0$16cbf2ce@william>,
William Lee <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:
>Someone told me today that they passed the 5 WPM code test by sending CW
>for 2 min. Is this a real way to pass the code test for Tech Plus? Or is
>something fishy going on here?

Nothing fishy at all. The way the rules read, you must demonstrate
proficiency in either sending or receiving morse code at the designated
speed. The rules also make allowances for potential amateurs with
hearing impairment, in that they allow a flashing light or any other method
within reason to be used.

Tony

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-- Tony Pelliccio, KD1NR
-- kd1nr@anomaly.ideamation.com
-- Boston has the combat zone, Providence *IS* an erogenous zone.

339. Re: Why I HATE cw!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary O <yazzole2@aol.com>
Message-ID: <68pk5h$i4b@mtinsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182565

Funny thing, you know,
I was assigned to a COMSTA and do not recall the first Morse code signal on authorized military freq. Too difficult to encrypt.
I would be interested in what theater this took place.

As for RFI, the modern mil equipment is more than adequate to filter out unwanted RFI given "proper operator technique". The only true weakness outside of intentional jamming is EMF from a nuclear above ground blast which did not occur. Then, tube type would not (most likely) be affected and would be the vehicle of choice for comms.

73's
Gary
WD4ICI
John Nansen wrote in message <34AB23A3.4D290E3B@nwinfo.net>...
>Bill,
>
>I couldn't agree more. Thank You!
>
>73's
>John W7QQX
>
>Bill wrote:
>
>> During Desert Storm the military had considerable problems with
>> communications as a result of the sandstorms in the desert regions. They
>> found that the synthesized front ends of the high tech, new equipment
>> were subject to electical interference caused by these storms. Collins
>> to the rescue!...Collins KWM-2 s and other surplus military gear were
>> hauled out and put on line once again. Yes...tubes, the old technology
>> could handle the job. And when conditions become so deteriorated that
>> even voice communication is no longer possible, you can also count on
>> the oldest form of digital communication to pull you through...CW. For
>> ham radio...CW is part of our heritage, our beginnings.
>>
>> Happy Holidays to all.
>
>
>

340. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34B07A11.57CE@lni.net>
Source record: 182566

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <34AFB924.6D22937B@shore.net>, WK1V <spam@shore.net> writes:
>
> >You are the very one who sticks his head into the outhouse for hours at a
> >time just
> to be able to go tell any friends (if you have any) how bad it
> >smells. You don't do
> a thing to clean it up or make it smell better.
>
> Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's fine.
> Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Just one more cb'er from the chicken band clucking!
Al

341. HamNet Forum now available on WWW as part of "C from CompuServe"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Scott Loftesness <sjl@compuserve.com>
Message-ID: <#qoXRrYG9GA.120@nih2naab.prod2.compuserve.com>
Source record: 182567

The HamNet Forum on CompuServe is now available to anyone who has Internet access and either Netscape or IE 3.0 or higher. In the past, you had to have a CompuServe account in order to get into Forums. Now, as part of a project called "C from CompuServe," there are over 500 Forums accessible from the World Wide Web, including HamNet

HamNet is one of the oldest communities of amateur radio, shortwave listeners and scanner enthusiasts in cyberspace. Begun in 1981, HamNet was one of the first "forums", or online discussion groups, on CompuServe's original "MicroNet" service. Today, HamNet has 23 message sections and file libraries, covering all aspects of amateur radio and related electronic hobbyists interests.

There are three levels of participation available with the new "C from CompuServe" service. Guest Membership provides read-only access to the HamNet message board, and is free.

Limited Membership is also free, but allows you to enter some of the CompuServe transactional areas and databases. You download a "Virtual Key" plug-in for your browser that allows CompuServe to recognize you. In addition, Limited members can pick one Forum for full participation at no charge. In other words, if the only thing on CompuServe you're interested in is the HamNet Forum, Limited Membership means you can fully participate in HamNet, but only HamNet, for free.

Finally, Full Membership allows complete participation in all 500 Forums, for a monthly fee in the future of under $10. However, during the introductory period now underway, Full Membership is also available free of charge with a 30 day notice being provided to you prior to the monthly fee being imposed.

To check out the HamNet Forum, point your browser at this url:

http://www.csi.com/go_c.asp?PIN=HamNet

It'll try to recognize you and then deny access unless you have Virtual Key (IE4.0 for the Mac comes with it), and take you to a signup screen. You can either select "Free Preview" for read-only access, or download the plug-in and sign up for membership. Full membership is now being offered with the free trial mentioned earlier

By the way, if you're already a CompuServe member, "C from CompuServe" is included in your CompuServe membership at no additional charge. All you need to do is download the Virtual Key software, configure it with your userid/password, and you'll be ready to take full advantage of "C".

Please send me an email if you have problems with it, or there's something I can help you with.

Scott Loftesness W3VS
Chief SysOp, HamNet
Email: sjl@compuserve.com

342. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #338

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org
Message-ID: <$opdx.338.1998@ampr.org>
Source record: 182568
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9M2, PENANG ISLAND (6 meters from W. Malaysia). There are currently two 6 meters stations active there. Tex, 9M2TO, is currently running 150w into a 4 element yagi and Phoa, 9M2KT, is running 100w into a GP antenna. There were no times or frequencies provided, but watch for openings. QSL 9M2TO via JA0DMV JARL Bureau. QSL 9M2KT via 9M2 Bureau.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA. Peter, PA0ALB, reports there will be activity from Serian, Borneo Island (IOTA OC-088), April 10th to May 22nd. The callsign to be used is 9M8CC. His equipment will be a TS-440, PS-52, AT-230 Antenne tuner, 2 elements triband Fritzel for 10/15/20 meters and a GP for 80 meters. Check 1200z on 20 meters. QSL via PA0ALB.

9M0C, SPRATLY ISLAND DXPEDITION UPDATE. Don, G3XTT (DXpedition Publicity Officer), reports in a press release that arrangements for their forthcoming 9M0C expedition to the Spratly Islands are going well. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin. Meanwhile, nine cases have been shipped by sea on November 30th, from Southampton for Kota Kinabalu in Sabah Malaysia. They will arrive in Kota Kinabalu in early January. All the Yaesu equipment has now been shipped from Japan. This will also arrive in Kota Kinabalu in early January where it will be combined with the shipment from the UK. The combined shipment will then be sent to Pulau Layang Layang before the DXpedition team's arrival. The main team that now includes all the UK contingent plans to arrive on Pulau Layang Layang on Tuesday, February 10th. This is two days earlier that originally planned, but this gives them three full days to set up the very extensive antenna farm and the five stations. The second group arrives on Friday, February

13th. They will then be fully operational for at least nine full days including two complete week-ends. For more details and updates, please take time to check their Web pages at: http://members.aol.com/spratly98

ATTENTION CONTESTERS! Ciprian, YO3FWC, reports that the 1997 YO DX Contest Official Results can be seen in on the WEB page: http://members.tripod.com/~ciprian/yodx.htm

CT98, PORTUGAL. Look for Portuguese amateurs to use special prefixes from January 1st to September 30th during their "Expo 98". Stations who usually sign CT1, CT2 and CT5 may be using the CT98 prefix. CT4 stations may be using the CS98 prefix, CT3 stations may be using the CQ98 prefix and CU stations may be using the CU98 prefix. QSL via their regular CT/CU callsigns.

D6, COMOROS. Martin, HB9CYN, and Chris, HB9CYV, will be active as D68YN and D68YV, respectively, from January 25th to February 6th. Activity will be on all bands 80-10 meters (maybe 160m) with operations mainly on CW but with some SSB, and maybe RTTY. After the DXpedition, stations worked can find their contacts on the following Web-Page:
http://ab5eh-lin.tamucc.edu/~hb9cyn
Also QSL-requests may be sent to the addresses mentioned on the WWW-site above.

FT5W/FT5X/FT5Z, CROZET, KERGUELEN, AMSTERDAM ISLANDS. OPDX has received a report stating to expect FR5HR on Crozet for 5 days, then Kerguelen for 5 days and then Amsterdam for 10 days starting January 1st and ending January 22nd. Jean Paul, F5BU, leaves Strasbourg on January 14th to Reunion Island, and he will arrive at Crozet Island on January 21st. He will be active as FT5WG until March 18th, with operations mostly on SSB. QSL via F6APU. Also, keep an eye open for Helios, F6IHY, signing FT5XN on Kerguelen. He will be active until June. He is usually active on 20 meters but plans to be active on other bands in the future.

HS, THAILAND. It has been reported that Kareem, HS1RU, runs the HS/9M net on 7060 kHz daily, starting about 1305Z. He is often very readable in the states and has agreed to listen for a "short while" above 7150 kHz for USA when the conditions are good before starting the net. Monitor 7060 kHz around 1305-1310z, and Kareem will specify a listening frequency. It is suggested, as a courtesy to Kareem to please NOT persist in a contact after 1315z. Let Kareem and the others get on with their net. They will be back the next day. It was also mentioned that Kareem will listen for CW on 7060 khz 1305-1310z, and for the eastern USA he works the low end of 40 meters CW quite often around 2200-2400z. QSL via JG3AVS, P.O.Box 86, Amagasaki 660, Japan.

IOTA NEWS.....
Jean Marc, F5SGI, will be active as F5SGI/P from Re Island (EU-032, located in the Poitou-Charente Region Group), from February 15-21st. His activity will be on 40-10 meters, mostly on CW, but on SSB, look for him on 14260 kHz.

Look for OH8TA to be active from Hailuoto (EU-126), February 6-8th. Activity will be on the normal IOTA frequencies. Operations included VHF/UHF and RTTY activities. QSLs prefer via bureau.

KH2, GUAM. "The 59(9) DXReport" states that Walt, KF2XN, will be active until March 15th as KH2/KF2XN from KH2D's QTH while doing disaster relief work.

LU1ZC, DECEPTION ISLAND (South Shetland Group) UPDATE. Alberto, LU1DZ, GACW Coordinator, reports the two operators on the island have installed the following antennas: 10/15/20 meters 4 element tribander 30 meters high (fixed to Europe); 30/17/12 meters separated delta loops; 45 meters long wire for all bands; 160 meters half wave dipole, and they will be putting up a 2 element 40 meters monobander in future. They are currently active on 6 meters on 50110 kHz USB, and very soon they will be ready to operate on the satelite. Also, start looking for them on the SSB IOTA frequencies.

ON50, BELGIUM. During 1998, the Union of the Belgium Radio Amateur (UBA) will celebrate their 50th year anniversary. Look for UBA club stations throughout the year to use the prefix ON50 followed by a 3 letters suffix. A special award is available by working stations and collecting points. Checkout the UBA WEB site for more details at:
http://www.uba.be/algemeen/awarden.htm
Meanwhile, the Zelzaatse Radio Association (ZLZ) reports that they will be active from January 1st to December 31st using the callsign ON50ZLZ. They will be active on HF, VHF and during the UBA Contest. They also mentioned that a QSO with ON50ZLZ is good for 6 points for their ZLZ Award. QSL via ON7ZT or by P.O. Box 53 B-9060 Zelzate Belgium.

QSL INFO AND NEWS......
Harry, RA3AUU, would like to inform everyone that the QSL bureau of Soyuz Radiolybitelej Rossii (the Union of Radioamateurs of Russia) is an IARU affiliated society and the ONLY OFFICIAL address for the QSL bureau in Russia is: P.O. Box 59, Moscow 105122 Russia. He also reported to OPDX that Vasily, RW6HS, who was mentioned in last week's bulletin (OPDX.337) as the UA6 Bureau Manager, is no longer the manager for the UA6-bureau.

ZK1XXP North Cook QSLs. Tom, K8XP, states that the Dateline DX Association wants to advise those waiting for QSLs from its September operation from North Cook (ZK1XXP) that the cards have not yet arrived from the printer. The cards are being provided by FUNKAMATEUR in Germany, and we hope they will be forthcoming in the near future. They ask you to be patient. The many cards already received are safely stored and waiting attention!

Alain, F6BFH, states QSL for XV8FP will be ready early January, and he hopes to send the cards out before the end of January.

QSL MANAGER CHANGE! It was announced that the QSLs for the present operations from Nepal by the Japan UNICEF Ham Club, including Naoki, 9N1JZ (JE7RJZ) will now be handle by JH8XIX.

SPECIAL EVENT STATION 8N0WOG will be opened for Foreign Amateurs in NAGANO Japan!! Every Amateur Radio Operator who comes over to Nagano can operate the special event station, 8N0WOG, during the NAGANO 1998 Olympic Winter Games. All you need is your station license or the official certificate in the English language issued by one's MPT. Japan currently has reciprocal licensing agreement with only 8 countries now (i.e. USA, Germany, Canada, Australia, France, Korea, Finland, Ireland). This limitation will be taken away by Japanese MPT during the Olympic Winter Games. What a great chance to operate! Nagano city is located about 200km northwest of Tokyo, and it can easily be reached by Super express train from Tokyo Station. The location of the 8N0WOG station is located at the Warm-Hearty Welfare Center, just east side of Nagano City Office. The station will be opened 16 days from February 7th to February 22th. The station will be active on all HF bands from 160-10m including WARC bands, CW/SSB, 500 Watts max., and 144/435MHz FM/SSB. For more information and inquiry:
Fax to JARL Nagano Office: +81-26-233-2356
E-mail to JA0TBJ, Kimi Koyanagi: ja0tbj@mx2.nisiq.net
Check out the JARL Web site: http://www.jarl.or.jp

TR, GABON. Roland, F8EN, will once again sign TR8CR from February 5th for 5 weeks (at least). He will be active mostly on CW. QSL via F6AJA.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Look for N0TG/VP5, WA4DAN/VP5, AA4VK/VP5 to be operational January 16-23rd. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters. QSL all to: N0TG, William Rowe Jr., 1094 Big Rock Loop, Los Alamos, NM 87544.

VR6, PITCAIRN ISLAND. The "DX News Sheet" reports that VR6MG is active on 20 and 40 meters CW. No specific times or frequencies were given. OPDX did some research and found that VR6MG was reported on 14210 kHz at 0116z and 7001 kHz at 1325z.

XW30/XW30A, LAOS DXPEDITION UPDATE. The suggested frequencies for the upcomung XW30A (SSB/RTTY/FM) and XW30 (CW) DXpedition, which will take place January 5-14th, have been announced. Look for them on the usual 20/15/10 meter DX frequencies (025 and .95). Suggested frequencies for 80 and 40 will be around 7007 and 3507 kHz for CW; 3797 and 7047 kHz for SSB (depending on QRM). RTTY activity will be around 14083 kHz listening up 3-5 kHz, and occasionaly they will try 21083 kHz. On 160 meters, they will try to concentrate on 1823 kHz (and for JA - QSX 1910). On the WARC bands: CW - 18075 and 24895; SSB - 18145 and 24945; and on 30 meters they will be around 10103-10108 kHz, but as the QRM level rises (at least in Europe during the dark hours), they will try to find clear spots up around 10115 kHz. As a genral rule, they will always try to work split listening up or even down with announced listening frequency. All QSLs will be handled by SM0AGD, Erik Sjolund, Vestag.27, SE-19556 Marsta, Sweden.

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http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm

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343. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B064EC.295@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182569
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
> Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
> proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
>

There IS NO uglier American anywhere than you, Your Codelessness, and I've never even seen your picture. Beauty is skin deep, but Ugly goes all the way to the bone. Someone might be overweight and he can diet, but for you there's no help. Ugly is as ugly does, to paraphrase Forrest Gump.

>
> I guess they believe that the way to "foster international goodwill"
> is by being arrogant assholes and insulting people from different
> cultures because their English is not "up to their standards of
> excellence"

Typical Carlspeak....Stevensonslime.....If it's a code advocate involved he can't ever be right about anything. No matter that the kid's lack of intelligibility is NO standard at all. Why should it matter if no one can make any intelligence of his postings? Make him feel good--pat him on the back, don't "force" him to learn the English language just to post on an English language newsgroup! That's just like making Carl learn CW to get on HF! Blasphemy!!!

... come to think of it, that's exactly how they treat
> any ham who's code speed is not "up to their standards of excellence,"
> too ...
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> > Yes, we know.

Poor kids.....It's a tough world out there.

344. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B0725E.6299@ibm.net>
Source record: 182570
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> This is exactly why businesses
> hire talented bilingual employees or pay major dollars for an outside
> translation company -- to avoid potential misunderstandings due to language
> barriers.

Did you hear about the Japanese company that was ready to introduce
Woody Woodpecker as their spokesman/guide to the internet? The slogan
was going to be, "Become an Internet Pecker with Woody's help". :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

345. NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <626895929-980104121200@privates.org>
Source record: 182571

RE: NO CODE vs CODE!
BY: CBRAMBO@AOL.COM (CBRAMBO) to ALL on Tue Dec 30 1997 08:23
am

> Path: inet-serv.com!chippy.visi.com!news-out.visi.com!news.maxwell.syr.edu!
> howland.erols.net!portc02.blue.aol.com!audrey01.news.aol.com!not-for-
> mail
> From: cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <68a6l2jfd1@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
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> In article <68a6l2jfd1@gaia.ns.utk.edu>, chia@news.utk.edu (John R Alley)
> writes:
>
> > Bravo my fellow ham, I TOO am a No-Code tech (as of Sept 97 to be
> exact...).
> >And I also WANT to see the Code KEPT and RETAINED for use in my
> (along with
> >other Hams) future in the hobby.
>
> If you and others who think like you are successful, there will be no future
> for this hobby.
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>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

The code is pretty easy to over come and has not stopped anyone I know from advancing beyond No-Code Tech. Most of the No-Code Techs around here have upgraded to Advanced and Extra Class within a year and a half.

It has never been easier to get into the hobby. The Tech has full privleges above 30Mhz even without code. That is more phone privs than I started with my Novice.

It only takes a little practice. When I first started trying to learn code, I thought I would never get it, but in less than 30 hours of listening I passed the Novice 5WPM, and in 2 weeks took my Tech and passed. I was content for about another 2 years when the bug for more HF phone privilages bit me. I picked up an ARRL 18-22 wpm tape and the Gordon West 13WPM tapes. I listened to them in the car while driving to and from work. With in 30 days I was copying 18wpm solid and took the General 13wpm and passed. Again I am content, but lately I am getting the urge to just upgrade to Extra to just master it and open a few small windows of spectrum.

It's easy, all it takes is the desire to do it. There are around three quarters of a million HAMs in the US. The hobby is no dieing. Our club gives free classes at the local college. We meet one night a week for 12 weeks. I went through the same class back in 1991 with about 35 others. At the end of the 12 weeks we had 35 people who could copy solid at 5wpm and a few at 13 wpm and all had a good understanding of radio. We did not memorize the answers but learned the material.

It is not that hard, just take the time to learn the material and not expect to get everything handed to you in life.

If you don't want to do it, don't. The government provides some great frequencies for those who don't want to learn the material, 11 meters, and there is cellular phones, comercial radio...There is even CB chat, video chat and such on the internet, so there are plenty of modes of communications for those who don't want to learn HAM radio stuff.

HAM radio is here for anybody who wants to learn. It is not to difficult for anybody who wants it. The hobby is not dieing, in fact I hear new HAMs everyday and we are running out of call signs.

If people would expend the energy they use complaining about the code and just sit for a few minutes a day while driving to work or set aside a few minutes in the evening to listen to a tape instead of watching the boob tube, they would find they could pass the code in a few weeks.

Can you tell the difference between a Dit and a Dah, well if so you already know 2 letters..... E T

Can you tell the difference between Di dit and Dah Dah well you are up to 4 letters I M

And there are ways to help you learn more complicated letter like di dah di dit listen to the rythem, sounds a little like "the hell with it" "the L with it" yep, its an L

Well your up to 5 letters already!

Only 21 letters to go 10 numbers and a few others and you are set.

If you really think the code is there to keep people from becoming HAMs, then why don't they move the speed up to lets say 60 wpm? That should really clear the airwaves. No they don't do this, because they do want people who can use morse code in an emergency when "nothing else can get through". Sure it is a small bit of effort to master, if they did not reward us by giving us more spectrum, they realize few would bother with it. CW will get through when nothing else does. As slow and outdated as it may seem, it does get through when nothing else does. It does not take any fancy equipment, it is the bare basics in radio.

It is not there to be a barrier, it is there as part of the art of HAM radio, to be one of the skills a HAM can call upon when needed. It is one of the skills the HAMs learn in becoming part of the Amateur Radio Service. Learn it, be proud when you have mastered it, even if you think you will never use it, the day may come when you will be glad you know it. You wanna advance your

ticket, then learn the skills of the level you are going for. There are no barriers, just goals. You make your own reality. It is all how you look at it.

If it is truely just the code keeping you from 75 phone, I hope to hear you up there in only 30 days, because it will only take 5 to 10 minutes of practice a day for about one month to achieve 13 wpm.

Pick up the Gorden West 13 wpm tapes and the ARRL 18-22 WPM tapes, between the two you will get it. It is really not that hard.

Stop complaining and DO IT!
Hope to hear you got your Extra soon. ;)
73 Mark

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* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
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346. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B07C11.678E@ibm.net>
Source record: 182572
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
> Would you care to show data indicating that "large numbers" of
> experimenters kepy away from ham radio by CW versus the numbers of those
> actively and fully involved in ham radio *AND* experimenting?

Hi Dick, I work for a company that has tens of thousands of employees and actively supports amateur radio stations at their different sites. There are 1/3 as many hams at my company as there were ARRL survey respondents. We offer in-company Morse code classes in hopes of getting novices, techs, and tech+'s to upgrade so they can become part of the iEARS HF emergency communications effort. Many of the no/slow-code hams are HW/SW design engineers with degrees ranging up to PhD. The technical exams would be a breeze for them. Of the ones unwilling to upgrade to general, every single one of the more than one hundred no/slow-code hams cited the 13wpm Morse code test as their single reason for not upgrading.

> I think you are attempting to tilt the playing field in the direction
> of your personal biases.

"Personal experiences" would be a more accurate description. And actually, the playing field is tilted now. What I would like to see is a leveling of that playing field so that imminently qualified potential HF hams are not barred from participation by obsolete regulations. How about we keep personalities out of the argument? Nothing is accomplished by resorting to personal accusations. The existance of any of us as personalities has absolutely nothing to do with the issue.

> There are many engineer/experimenters who hold
> Extra class licenses-fully code tested- and disagree completely with
> your assesment.

There are a lot of those types of hams where I work. My company is a microcosm of ham radio in general although slanted toward the technical side. Nobody gets mad at anybody else because of the code testing issue. All are free to post their opinions here if they wish.

> Persons who have the mental capacity to attain that level of learning
> rarely if ever have any *real* problem in learning something as mundane
> as Morse Code.

That's just the problem. They don't want to learn something that even you admit is "mundane" and a perceived waste of time for many of them.

> It's largely an attitude problem, of course, the "I just don't want to
> do anything that I don't think I should have to do" syndrome.

Most of the guys responding to my company's internal survey say,
"I just don't want to waste my precious time learning something useless
to me."

> I feel sure there are many engineer/experimenters who are embarassed
> by this no-coder theme.

There isn't any "no-coder theme". There is a "no-code-test theme" and
there's no reason for anyone to be embarassed about it. We are simply
exercising our Constitutional rights to get some obsolete requirements
removed. IMO, if amateur radio is going to continue to exist and thrive,
the code testing requirement must (and will) be removed.

I'm a pro-coder, use it weekly, and teach Morse code classes. But I
also want ham radio to survive into future generations.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

347. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B073B9.5451@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182573
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
>> I can tell you that there are FAR MORE who DID NOT become hams at all
> SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THE OUTDATED MORSE TEST AND THE ATTITUDES OF JERKS
> LIKE YOU, DICK.

Hey I like your stats, Carl---"far more"-- now that's a number that
you can really get your teeth in and use for comparison.

Yeh, I'm the jerk that started and ran a VE team when there was none
closer than 100 miles, and welcomed no-code techs when that program
started. I still take phone calls from many of them, and go help when
they need it. I'm the jerk who tested a sightless fellow who had been
flunked twice by another team because he couldn't run his braillewriter
fast enough, and when we gave the code test verbally, he made 100%...I'm
the jerk that has always held the philosophy that ham tests should not
be any more difficult than really necessary and that anyone who truly
wanted a ham license should be able have the opportunity to get one. You
could ask any of several hundred people I dealt with as a VE over 8
years, they'll tell you what kind of a jerk I am.

Because I believe that ham radio must include morse code testing, you
have labelled me a mortal enemy to all of ham radio. Because you won't
- or 'can't'- learn it.

I'm perfectly willing to let the readers decide for themselves. Have
you ever given of your free time and effort to see that ANYONE else was
offered the opportunity for license testing?

The onus is on you, fellow.
I've got nothing to prove.
You've got a lot of hot air.

Squiggy? Har de har har!

348. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68ps91$snf@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182574

mrcoach58@aol.com (MRCOACH58) wrote:

>HOW WOULD LIKE TO GET A LETTER FROM THE FCC SAYING YOUR 20WPM CODE TEST YOU
>TOOK A YEAR AGO WAS NO GOOD I DID.....

I'd love it. I'd even love it more if the FCC raised the extra class CW test to 40 wpm, general to 35 wpm, and novice to 30 wpm.

Sometimes I go to the VE tests and take the CW test just for fun !!

I think everybody should have to go back and take the CW over at least once a year. Or even once a month. Or even once a week. Just think how much money W5YI and the ARRL could make if we all had to go take the test over every Saturday morning ! I sure hope Fred doesn't read this message !

Anyway, sounds like you are hanging around with the wrong VE guys.....

73, Jim KH2D

349. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <bill*@no.net>
Message-ID: <34AF4186.6C9A@no.net>
Source record: 182575

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <34B07A11.57CE@lni.net>, Al <daclark@lni.net> writes:
>
> >> Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's
> >fine.
> > Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
> >
> >
> >"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
> Just
> >one more cb'er from the chicken band clucking!
> Al
>
> And one who will be laughing like hell when your hobby finally collapses from
> within and ceases to exist as you know it.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Then we will all just move over to 11 meters and claim it back.

350. Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: babarum@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <MPG.f1a29c8937b1696989681@news.primenet.com>
Source record: 182576

Hello all,

I hope this is not get too religious but...

I was considering getting equipment, upgrading my tech license, but I never got into packet, never bought any equipment. When I got my license in 1994 [kc5gef] I was excited. I had followed in the 80's and earlier the debate over a no-code license etc. I thought then I could marry computers with ham radio. Well that is a yes/no. All my life I thought that ham radio was the 'leading edge' if not the bleeding edge of the beginnings of technology.

With the beginnings of the WWW as well as the growing popularity of the Inet, ham radio has been left in the dust still arguing about whether cw should be dropped or not.

All the technology that is used in radio right now is surpassed with internet/computer technology. All of which is without a need for testing for a license or heavy fed regulation.

ragchewing/chatting in real time -- no license, no feds
chatting with audio/video -- no license, no feds
bit/broadcasting with audio -- no license, no feds [see http://www.dice.net/radio/]
dxing -- no problem with the internet
emergencies broadcasting -- could be done but is MUCH easier with radio.
technical aspects -- computer/networking technology is every bit as stimulating and complicated as radio and more so.

making friends -- I have had friends on the inet since I first got on in 1992, from all over the world and 1 from india and 1 from nepal has visited my home. There online communities exactly like the ham communities. They keep scheds, channels etc.

costs are much less. Gouging by computer mfgs is far less common than radio mfgs.

I could go on. The fact is sad while the ham community squabbled they missed their chance to marry the two technologies. It was a natural marriage too.

I would appreciate if anyone could tell me what ham radio has to offer that computer/internet doesn't offer.

Thanks for taking the time to read this.

terry

351. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B08777.3CA7@ibm.net>
Source record: 182577
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Tony Hwang wrote:
> I never bother with anyone who does not like code.

Do you have a wife (or girlfriend) who likes code? :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

352. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68pkbg$63e$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182578
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

> Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
> proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
> They are the types who give US hams a bad reputation as rude and
> arrogant.

You mean, similar to these comments you've made (independently verifiable
on DejaNews for the person so inclined):

---> Include "StevensonQuotes.txt"

> Your asinine, ridiculous comments leave no doubt that you haven't a
> clue about modern communications technology ... I'm sure I have
> technicians in their mid 20s working for me who know far more than you

> Why don't you just go run a nice warm bath, climb in, and slit your
> wrists????

> ... as opposed to a cowering wimp who is too afraid to say "Why?"
> (like you)

> "Bullshit" is NOT an obscenity ... it is, perhaps, a "mild
> profanity" ... now asshole, that's a bit stronger, though still not an
> obscentity, but it clearly applies to you ...

> YOU lie virtually *every* time you post, you SOB ... you lie about at
> least one thing I've said in every post, not to mention all the
> falsehoods you glibly spread as if they were fact, just because you are
> stupid enough to believe them ...

> Because, you freaking idiot, ...

> No strawman, no FUD, you idiot ...

> I will continue to hold and support my views ... I do have a tendency to
> call idiots idiots and assholes assholes when they are flagrantly
> being idiots or assholes ..."

> most of the pro-code crowd that hangs out here are narow-minded,
> ignorant idiots ...

> It is clear from your past posts that you wouldn't understand if I told
> you, and you're a jerk, so this will be my last and final response to
> you ... go blow yourself ...

> BTW ... WRT to your allegation that I would stoop to lying about a
> direct quote ... here's a quote for you "Kiss my ass!"

> Oh, Len, I *SO* want to see these guys (Steve, Mike D., Jim C.,
> and Jim K.m etc.) retested to a *modern, meaningful* technical test
> *without* the answers being published for memorization ... I'd bet that
> most, if not all, of them would cease to be licensed hemmorhoids on the
> ass of ham radio ...
>
> Carl - wa6vse
> carl@ais.net

> Once again, Steve, you are a blithering idiot ...

> That's NOT what I said you blithering idiot!!!

> Once again, Steve, you are a blithering idiot ...

And you have the cookies to call other people ignnorant......

73, Jim KH2D
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

353. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68pkep$646$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182579

In article <19980104214101.QAA08191@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>This would be fine if you personally owned the frequency spectrum in question.
>But you do not. It is publicly-owned

Ummm, no, sorry, I don't think so. Frequency spectrum is owned by the
government, in trust for the public. There is no such thing as "publically
owned" spectrum, unless you want to count spectrum anyone can use without
a license.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

354. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B061AF.5D68@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182580
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Lumpy - ABï¿½GD wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> > you don't know what you are talking about and that's a real problem
> > for amateur radio. it turns the people away from amateur radio.
> >
>
> Lumpy writes:
>
> M@S@, I think WE don't know what YOU are talking about and that's
> a problem, or at least a continuing source of amazement to
> a lot of people on these NG's. I, for one, admire your ability to
> speak at least some foreign language(s) other than your own native
> tongue. I'll bet you speak English and French better than most
> Americans speak Japanese.
>
> But at times I really feel sorry for you. You're like the poor
> dumb kid that everyone else makes fun of but never realizes
> that he himself is the brunt of all the jokes.
>
> Come on. You want to be a financial genius, then learn the ropes,
> get a degree. Master the languages. You could go a long ways
> speaking three languages and having a degree. You could be
> the next Mr Bill.
>
> You want to speak your opinion on code vs no code? That's fine
> too. But If you're going to argue with people in English, do
> a little research and proof reading. Just as you have done
> regarding the Japanese code issue.
>
> I know I have sent you several personal emails on different
> subjects. None of them have ever been answered. That suggests
> you enjoy the notoriety of posting on the NG. But if you really
> believe in what you say, learn what you're talking about and
> answer your email. And practice that English language.
>
> Good luck in your studies.
>
> Lumpy
> English and Espanol (rarely speak Spanish)
> BS in Music (play the guitar, just for fun)
> MS in Biology (make great compost)
> Extra class Ham (never used cw, but learned it in 6 weeks)

Good for you Lump! & 73

Ed Legenza
N6XA

355. FS:GR, TEK, HP Test Equip.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Reuter <varoom@venus.star.net>
Message-ID: <34afd9eb.0@199.232.114.6>
Source record: 182581

The following Test Equipment is listed on Ebay Auction. For a full
description and bidding, click on web address.

Regards,
Gary Reuter
Kittery, Maine

3772433: GR 1491D Decade Inductor Box
Current bid: $28.50
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:38:34 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772433

3772233: Tektronix 1241 Logic Analyzer w/Accessories
Current bid: $160.49
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:39:00 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772233

3772306: Tektronix 465B/DM44 OÕscope with DMM option
Current bid: $180.25
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:39:18 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772306

3772420: Tektronix 465B 100 Mhz OÕscope(Channel 2 inop
Current bid: $79.00
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:39:46 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772420

3772377: Tektronix 465 100Mhz OÕscope
Current bid: $77.00
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:40:10 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772377

3772339: Fluke 7261A Univ. Counter/Timer DC-125Mhz
Current bid: $45.00
Auction ends on: 01/10/98 10:40:50 PST
http://komodo.ebay2.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3772339

356. Morse code programs that use the sound card.?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: nu7i@henge1.henge.com
Message-ID: <68p2s8$rg3$1@henge1.henge.com>
Source record: 182582
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I am looking for a program that will allow the user to generate Morse code using the computer's sound card, such as a Sound Blaster 16. Does anyone know of such a program that is shareware or freeware? I suppose that I might also be interested in any such commercial software, if there is nothing elsewhere. I need to make some code tapes for a ham friend. Thanks.

357. Adding RIT to Atlas 210X

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark <crslex@iglou.com>
Message-ID: <34AED632.7B76@iglou.com>
Source record: 182595

Help! I love my Atlas 210X but it needs an RIT control (I use RTTY and SSTV). Could someone E-mail me some plans or a schematic of an easy to install RIT control for an Atlas 210X. Thanks.....KB4AEP

E-mail crslex@iglou.com

358. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark <crslex@iglou.com>
Message-ID: <34AEEFB2.73C1@iglou.com>
Source record: 182596
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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larry wrote:
>
> It sounds to me like radio enthusiats want access voice only on the
> amateur hf bands. In the vast majority of anti-code comments there is
> no comment about 'I want to be able to use packet or amtor etc.
> There is, however, lots of references to the voice used on 80 and 20.
>
> Is this true?
>
> Larry ve3fxq
You hit the nail on the head man.... Anything that doesn't require
thinking is acceptable to no-coders....It hurts their feeble minds.
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359. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104011300.UAA07131@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182597

In article <68llij$dqo@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) writes:

>ARRL Member For Another Month, Yona Village, Guam Island, Western Pacific
>Ocean
Five Words A Minutes IS No Code !
Vana White Shouldn't Give Code Tests
>!
Can't Get It UP ? - Join NoCode International and Help Destroy Ham Radio
>!
Save A VHF Repeater - Eat a No Code Tech Today !
Is Grandpa Lenny Dead or
>Is He OLD_NERD@WEBTV ?
Did Anybody Send Sqiggy A Christmas Card ?
Gee, I just
>LUV these Signature Files.....

Jim:

Great sig file...although I disagree with Vanna White not giving code tests! She can test me ANYTIME!!!

What's up with the ARRL membership expiring in a month? Aren't you going to renew?

73 de Larry, K3LT
FISTS nr. 2008

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k3lt@ka3bdr.#cde.de.usa.noam | yodoc@aol.com
(302) 678-4841

360. Re: no code majority

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34aefbb6.1216018@news.total.net>
Source record: 182598
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 19:01:22 -0600, 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET wrote:

> 8TT.....KEEP CODE.. KEEP THE STANDARDS.. NO CODE TICET
> HOLDERS .. JUST LEARN THE CODE..
> ITS EASY.. IF (...)

it's easy. agreed. I did it in one day and I passed the test on
the same day. no wonder why it doesn't make a good ham.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

361. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Lee <willee@interconnect.net>
Message-ID: <01bd18b6$a1127da0$16cbf2ce@william>
Source record: 182599
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote in article
<01bd17f4$1d91dec0$c9010bce@default>...
>
>

>
> Purpose...an interesting concept when you discuss CW. I espouse CW not
> because I think it will be the way to save my soul in some dire emergency
> when no other form of communication will get through. Actually, I believe
> that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off
saving
> my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.
>
This person has no idea of what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...

--
William Lee N5WRX

362. 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Lee <willee@interconnect.net>
Message-ID: <01bd18b9$7b5498c0$16cbf2ce@william>
Source record: 182600

Someone told me today that they passed the 5 WPM code test by sending CW for 2 min. Is this a real way to pass the code test for Tech Plus? Or is something fishy going on here?
--
William Lee N5WRX

363. The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104033801.WAA24473@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182601

I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect example of what's wrong with amateur radio today. Prime ammunition for Rep. Billy Tauzin and others who wish to kill the hobby and turn it over to commercial interests in exchange for campaign $$$$$.

I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in it...it's done!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

364. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68n1p7$o3q@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182602

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote in article
<34AD3227.F3CDCE83@flash.net>...
>> Bill Sohl wrote:
>>
>>> What difference would it make if you obtained the general
>> > and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
>> > (or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
>> > it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
>> > Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
>> > must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
>> > getting the license rather than doing it on your own?
>> > Bill Sohl K2UNK
>>
> The only problem I see Bill is where does it end? I'll grant you the above,
>but couldn't we make the same argument about the questions on the test,
>Why should one answer questions about packet, SSTV, RTTY if he/ she
>never intend to operate those modes?
Additional examples of subject areas deleted for brevity.

The good thing about Tim's question is that it provides,
once again, the opportunity to point out that a potential
ham CAN, in fact, ignore several theory subject areas and
still pass the test....BUT can not ingore the CW test because
it is a separate and individual test element. I have said
on many occasions that if the pro-code test advocates were
acceptable to integrating the scoring of the theory with the CW test
then I'd have no problem retaing CE as just one more subject
area.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

365. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68n37m$o76@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182603
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34ae3836.4700038@news.total.net>,
> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>>and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
>>people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
>>trying to understand other languages.

>This isn't a japanese newsgroup. It is an english newsgroup. While I
>understand the issues associated with gramatical composition in foreign
>languages, the fact remains that you are participating in a written,
>not spoken, forum, and thus have an opportunity to read what you write,
>and make adjustments as necessary. I don't flame you due to your spelling
>or diction (even the best of us slip up sometimes), but I am telling you
>that your "ESL handicap" nonetheless, you still look ignorant when you
>can't form a cohesive paragraph.
>MD

I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him to
interface with people that haven't been educated with
English as their primary language. With the attitude
shown above, I'd sure not want MD on any global
venture undertaking I'm involved with.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
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366. 7 MHz Loop antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jay Moyer <bjmoyer@wcic.org>
Message-ID: <34AF1854.1175@wcic.org>
Source record: 182604

Hello in need help with this delima. I got the ARRL antenna handbook 17th edition and on page 5-18 there is a 7-MHz verticle wire loop antenna. I live on a farm so there is alot of buildings. The one that I think would be best is the tallest barn with a tin multi slope roof. The first slope is about 20 degrees from verticle and the second is about 45 degrees, the other half of the barn is the same. If i built four of them two of them would give a high angle propagation and the other two a low angle propagation but what effect would the tin roof have on the antennas, would puting the antenna on standoffs help? Could I phase them all together to make one kick glutius maximus. The antenna if it worked would transmit east and west. I could do the same thing on another barn for the north and south. If you have any ideas please reply

Thanks in advance for the input

Jay Moyer
bjmoyer@wcic.org

367. WTB: fm bdcast/u pwr

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Bro.David Cohen" <brodavid@enter.net>
Message-ID: <34AF46BA.A3348C8E@enter.net>
Source record: 182605
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.swap

WANTED:
micro power radio

FM broadcast, please state power, range, parts needed (antenna, mic, etc), and price. am looking to set up small radio station, maybe 10 mile range, etc.

368. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: itrydx@webtv.net
Message-ID: <68n68sejq1@newsd-133.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182606

Fill two glasses with water at difrent levels or use two
different pipes and one can hear what you are saying and I
hate morse code.

369. FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
Message-ID: <34AF6D6A.4EC2@compuzone.net>
Source record: 182607
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Hello and thanx for reading my post. I need to update my address info
with the FCC. Can I do this via the net? If so, please tell me the
exact URL.

Thanx again,
Tim

370. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: itrydx@webtv.net
Message-ID: <68n9drenb1@newsd-133.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182608

Code will go away it is out dated . Just because my father did
it. He also got rid of the out house and got a toilet.
There is reasing in some kind of requirment but see the light
we don't shovel coal to turn on a ligth bulb. I respect what
my fellow Hams have done , But the attitude I did it so you
have doesh't get it anymore.
Tune in to 14.300 and see if we can talk about C.B when
we don't correct ourselves. Who is better use with the
licends or the ones that don't know
better because thay didn't take a test on the use of our
hobby .

371. Re: 3950 Jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: nospam_cblazer@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34af3724.23728715@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182609

>
>perfect example that the CW requirements won't make the good hams.
>
>Even extra class amateurs aren't so good eh... what should we do
>about it ?? 2m repeater users [technicians] are much polite.
DREAM ON. Things are the same no matter where you go.
License class does not descriminate against people who want to be as
rowdy as the fellas on the lower hf bands.
The two meter repeaters are just as bad. Heck..try traveling
through tennessee and talking on any of the WR3S repeaters of 220 mhz.
Try dayton ohio repeaters....the list goes on.
I just put up with it....sometimes even join in and have fun
!!! One day you will die and will not be able to enjoy anything
anymore. Shut up and live.

372. Re: trunk tracker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: jimrubin@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <jimrubin-0401980249360001@user-37kb6eg.dialup.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182610
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34AE5C2D.616B@kiwi.dep.anl.gov>, "P. Langevin"
<plangevin@kiwi.dep.anl.gov> wrote:

>Thanks for responding Mark, I'l give it a try an let you know what
>happens. I live in Illinois so I hope we have that defalt system here.
> Thanks Ed

Ed,

You MUST program your trunknng freq's when in "trunking" mode! That is,
first press the "trunk" button and keep it pressed for about 2 seconds
(until you hear two beeps) THEN choose a bank, then program in all the
frequencies. If you enter the frequencies in regular mode, the radio will
not track the system!

Cheers,

Jim

373. IC 751a - memory

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jarek <va3ncd@sprint.ca>
Message-ID: <01bd18d5$bf1161d0$058098c1@va3ncd>
Source record: 182611

Can somebody help me recover my Icom 751a
from the memory crash? I mean the battery.
It's gone now and it's too late :-(
I need to reprogram the memory with an original
code that I don't have.
Does anyone have it by any chance?
The solar cycle 23 is on its way up and I just
have lost my radio :-(

TNX, Jarek

374. Re: FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Storm <jastorm@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34AF45F3.D241E1EB@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182612
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Try www.fcc.gov

73, Jim WB6LWS

Tim wrote:

> Hello and thanx for reading my post. I need to update my address info
> with the FCC. Can I do this via the net? If so, please tell me the
> exact URL.
>
> Thanx again,
> Tim

375. To: VE3FXQ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dale Allen <daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net>
Message-ID: <01bd18eb$d6840780$623f8bcd@daleal>
Source record: 182613

Yes Sir, unfortunately there are those out there who think that their precious hobby is going to go all to *!@$#^%& if the "unsavory CB element" of amateur radio gets theur way. Maybe this is so, but would it really get any worse (witness the manifold reports of those who listen regularly on 80 Meters) than it already is??? Besides, where is the incentive to use other (high speed) digital modes from 30 MhZ down? The bandwidth of those modes is very much wider than old fashioned Morse Code and would create more problems (especially with overcrowding). The plain fact is that just as the spark gap xmitters went, so will the OOM (on-off Morse) eventually go, every government agency in these united states (and Canada) has abandoned the Morse Code and Amateur radio should (and eventually will) follow, strange thing that, we (amateurs) used to be the leaders !!!!!
Good day sir and 73's
--
Dale Allen
KB7TNR
daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net

376. Re: WTB Kenwood Station Accessories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Gregg.E" <Gregg.E@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68nhpq$8pe@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182614
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Wanting To Buy Other Kenwood Station Accessories Must Be Clean & In
Expensive

Gregg.E <Gregg.E@worldnet.att.net> wrote in article
<68nhgr$8pe@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>...
> Wanted Kenwood HC-10 World Clock Must Be Near Mint
> 73's Gregg E
> KD5BAY@earthling.net
>

377. FS Kenwood PC-1 Phone Patch 8 Pin

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Gregg.E" <Gregg.E@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68nhbq$7e8@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182615
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

For Sale Or Trade Kenwood PC-1 Phone Patch (Excellant Shape Except For A
Spot On The Moni/Null Meter Lense Wired For 8 Pin In & Out. (Like New)
55.00 Plus Shipping OBO
73's Gregg KD5BAY
KD5BAY@earthling.net

378. Kenwood TH-22AT MARS CAP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tony Degnan <tdegnan@sport4u.com>
Message-ID: <68ni20$689@argentina.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182616

I have a TH-22 and was looking at the advertisement and it said that it could be modified for this. I have looked everywhere on the Internet to find this and can not. I was wondering if anyone out there has done this or knows how to do this. I would sure appreciate hearing from someone who has had experience with do this or tell me where I can find the information. Thank You.

Tony

379. WTB early microcomputers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: RWood54741@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <68nn8r$nvh@mtinsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182617

I am a collector of early microcomputers.

I wish to buy the following computers...

> Mark 8
> Scelbi
> Altair 8800
> Altair 680
> Sol 20
> Kim 1 motherboard

> also any peripherals for the above and MITS circuit cards.

Thanks,

Bob

380. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AF6294.5D53@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182618

Brad Wilmot wrote:
>
> I am a blind, teenage ham, who cannot afford HF
> equipment, and I really don't want it.

Which is the bigger handicap.
Blind, teenage or can't afford HF?
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

381. Re: **Please tell me about YOUR mobile APRS**

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AF687C.B28@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182619

Steve S wrote:
>
> There are a few of us trying to get going with mobile APRS. We'd like to
> take a common approach to help each other with integration issues.
> Anyone having luck with DeLorme, TAPR, or other equipment, share your
> stories with me. Email or post is fine.
>
> Thanks
> 73,
> Steve
> KF4NNQ
Hi Steve -

I'm using a highly modified Tripmate (external power, NMEA
conversion and external antenna). I've built the guts of
the Tripmate and an MIM module (the heart of the mic-e encoder)
along with a 7805 regulator power supply into a project box, not
much larger than the original Tripmate housing. This and an MFJ
dedicated APRS packet radio and 2m whip are all I need. Running
it on a 19" mag mount whip, 5 watts on the top shelf of my closet
it hits local RELAY and/or WIDE digipeaters and is seen by other
APRS hams along the front range of the Rocky Mountains here in
Colorado. No APRS software is required for this "mobile tracker"
setup. In my QTH APRS I use WinAPRS, Pico Packet TNC, Kenwood
2m mobile, IBM Thinkpad.

Check the Colorado APRS site listed below for APRS links. Email
me for any other, more specific questions. And if you're ever
anywhere on the eastern slope of the Rocky's, join us on the
APRS 2m voice net. Sunday evenings, 1900 hrs local time on the
CRA repeater system, 147.225.

73 - Lumpy
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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

382. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AF6DAE.6658@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182620

DANO wrote:
>
> in the federal laws..
> so, lets say you have one of those scanners ...
> and your speeding thru tenn. the warning light goes off and you slow
> down...well, tenn highway patrol ...
> after he pulls you over, he sees the scanner, and
> knows thats what warned you, he can arrest you on the spot.

Well to begin with -

TN state troopers do not have authority or jurisdiction to
enforce these federal laws you think you have heard of,
although there may certainly be state or local laws, which
they do have the authority to enforce.

Second of all, I highly doubt that you would be arrested
'on the spot'. At the worst, it is a misdemeanor (a criminal
offense) or in some cases the lower classification of 'violation'
(a traffic, not criminal offense) or lower still a local ordinance
violation. All of which are arrestable situations, just as jay
walking or running a red light is. But it is very rare that any cop
would arrest you for any of these minor charges.

Perhaps the simplest answer to the whole thing is
DON'T SPEED. Scanner or otherwise.

Proudly Retired Deputy Sheriff, Lumpy

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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

383. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AF723A.339C@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182621
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

I heard he bought Canada. And he's thinking of Japan next...
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http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

384. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AF7921.1FC9@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182622
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
> you don't know what you are talking about and that's a real problem
> for amateur radio. it turns the people away from amateur radio.
>

Lumpy writes:

M@S@, I think WE don't know what YOU are talking about and that's
a problem, or at least a continuing source of amazement to
a lot of people on these NG's. I, for one, admire your ability to
speak at least some foreign language(s) other than your own native
tongue. I'll bet you speak English and French better than most
Americans speak Japanese.

But at times I really feel sorry for you. You're like the poor
dumb kid that everyone else makes fun of but never realizes
that he himself is the brunt of all the jokes.

Come on. You want to be a financial genius, then learn the ropes,
get a degree. Master the languages. You could go a long ways
speaking three languages and having a degree. You could be
the next Mr Bill.

You want to speak your opinion on code vs no code? That's fine
too. But If you're going to argue with people in English, do
a little research and proof reading. Just as you have done
regarding the Japanese code issue.

I know I have sent you several personal emails on different
subjects. None of them have ever been answered. That suggests
you enjoy the notoriety of posting on the NG. But if you really
believe in what you say, learn what you're talking about and
answer your email. And practice that English language.

Good luck in your studies.

Lumpy
English and Espanol (rarely speak Spanish)
BS in Music (play the guitar, just for fun)
MS in Biology (make great compost)
Extra class Ham (never used cw, but learned it in 6 weeks)

385. FM 828 UHF Info ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: gilly@camtech.net.au
Message-ID: <34b86867.13425561@news.camtech.net.au>
Source record: 182623

Hello to all on the newsgroups.

I have an Phillips 828 UHF W2 (500 - 520 Mhz version) and I am thinking of using the amp section as the final amp in a 432 Mhz transverter .

The Transverters output is approx 100mw.

According the specs in the handbook the only changes required to the TX PA are 5 capacitors to bring the amp back down to a "T" model (420 - 440 Mhz)

The final would also need to have some form of bias setup for use on SSB.

I am interested if anyone has "played" around with this idea and can tell me if it was successful or not and could provide me with any hints.

Thanks in anticipation.

Alan gilly@camtech.net.au

386. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: al7dl@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104141401.JAA12583@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182624

>The number of hams in JA is increasing.

Numbers can be deceiving at times. In speaking of the Operators License in Japan, it is issued for life and therefore no one can really tell how many hams there really are. The number of Station Licenses are a better indication. The station licenses are far lower than the operator licenses. The number of hams is increasing in both the U.S. and Canada., also.

>many operate on VHF/UHF even on microwave bands.
>440 repeaters are used, 1.2 GHz repeaters are used and they are now
>setting up 2.4 GHz repeaters.

In the large metro areas of the U.S., this is true also. Japan is a much smaller country with a more densly packed population. In the U.S. and Canada, the population is more spread out and therefore, why should hams say in central Wyoming set up a microwave repeater when they can get along just as well with two meters...

I really don't feel that flooding the ham bands with warm bodies (just for a 'bean count') is the way to go. I fully suspect, after CW is dropped as a licensing requirement (which I suspect will happen about 2015 to 2025) the next crusade will be 'why do I need to know anything about electronics and RF theory? No one needs to know that to operate a radio.' Next, it will be; 'make the written exam easier to allow more people into amateur radio, the written test is too hard'.

>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
>

BTW, Masa, you never have answered the question as to how to contact the 'personnels' you sent your licensing suggestion to. You mentioned in your initial post on the subject that those 'personnels' wanted to hear from everyone, but no one knows how to contact them. No names or addresses to make comments to.

Bryce, K1GAX (ex AL7DL)

387. One thing I have to be thankful for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34af0222.25890949@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182625

There is one thing I have to be thankful for, in this code/nocode debate. I find that many, probably most, amateurs who enter the hobby via the nocode licences, eventually, in terms of months not years, do get the cw endorsement.

I suspect they get the nocode licence 'first' to take the pressure off having to pass so many tests to become an amateur. Once they are on the air, above 30 mhz, the pressure is off and they relax and start learning the code. Also, when they get the full brund of the activity style on vhf/uhf, many decide to, at least, give learning cw a try.

Many say that cw has outlived it's usefullness, you have to use cw for serveral months and develope second sence to using it before you can appreciate it's value. Unfortunately, no amount of explainations can demonstrate the usefullness of the morse code. You have to be able to use it like another language before it's use becomes apparent.

The one thing I am rather bothered by is that so many people are giving the beginners the impression that it is bad before they get the chance to learn it and use it and discover it's value for themselves.

In terms of wanting to get on hf to use ssb, I would rush too fast. Though voice is much easier than cw, voice isn't all that it is advertised to be.

There are a lot of amateurs who discover, like I did, that voice is not their cup of tea. It is nice to have cw to fall back on.

Larry ve3fxq

388. CAT for Yaesu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Laurent LABOURIE <llabourie@nordnet.fr>
Message-ID: <68o7e7$h2o$1@news.internetsat.com>
Source record: 182626

Bellow information about specific softwares for Yaesu:

Soft990 MS-DOS for FT990/890/840/900/920/1000MP

FT-Manager Windows 95/NT for FT990/890/840/920/900/1000MP

Both software are featured with :

. real time monitoring
. short wave data base
. band scope
. DX-Cluster (Soft990 only)
. Web Cluster (FT-Manager only)
. Memory manager

To see at :

http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/f6dex

389. HELP WITH YAESU!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: gmoni1@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104145001.JAA15590@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182627

I have a Yaesu HT Tranceiver that is being offered to me. The problem is I cant not find a price for it the model is FT-80C. can anyone help me

390. Conversion of Nova MR225

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris Watts <C.J.Watts@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <68o7n4ibe1@plutonium.btinternet.com>
Source record: 182628
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Does any one know where I can find details to convert
the Nova MR-225 radio to 2Mtrs.

73 Chris Watts (G7PVL)

391. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: ctwla@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <68o7v0$1j7@dfw-ixnews3.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182629

In <19980104033801.WAA24473@ladder02.news.aol.com> cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:
>
>I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss
>out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect
>example of what's wrong with amateur radio today. Prime ammunition for Rep.
>Billy Tauzin and others who wish to kill the hobby and turn it over to
>commercial interests in exchange for campaign $$$$$.
>
>I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in
>it...it's done!

I agree with you on the 10 year, but I disagree that the liberty net is jaming.
The liberty net will only jam somenoe that comes up with something they disagree, as they have no tolerence for disagreements, every one has to agree or else.
It is the andiliberty people who go to a freequency ocupied by a sertain group with their ideas, and try to push them out of the band.
While the liberty net members can't stand any one who is not a republican, the other side can't realize that "you must know your oponent" therefore you do not silence your oponent.
This is a political probem that spilled over to Amateure radio by politicaly deprived people.
C Thomas

>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

392. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1922$4f4d7260$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182630
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
<68n37m$o76@jupiter.planet.net>...
> kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
> >>and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
> >>people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
> >>trying to understand other languages.
>
> >This isn't a japanese newsgroup. It is an english newsgroup. While I
> >understand the issues associated with gramatical composition in foreign
> >languages, the fact remains that you are participating in a written,
> >not spoken, forum, and thus have an opportunity to read what you write,
> >and make adjustments as necessary. I don't flame you due to your spelling
> >or diction (even the best of us slip up sometimes), but I am telling you
> >that your "ESL handicap" nonetheless, you still look ignorant when you
> >can't form a cohesive paragraph.
> >MD
>
> I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him to
> interface with people that haven't been educated with
> English as their primary language. With the attitude
> shown above, I'd sure not want MD on any global
> venture undertaking I'm involved with.
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK
> ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> No Code International, member - 1007
> Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
They are the types who give US hams a bad reputation as rude and
arrogant.

I guess they believe that the way to "foster international goodwill"
is by being arrogant assholes and insulting people from different
cultures because their English is not "up to their standards of
excellence" ... come to think of it, that's exactly how they treat
any ham who's code speed is not "up to their standards of excellence,"
too ...

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Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052

Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

393. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AFA5F7.2718@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182631
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:>
> So how's ham radio in Canada, Masa, is it fun there too ? Do they have
> lots of VHF repeaters, or do you just talk to cops on your HT ?
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

How would he know? He never gets on the air and actually USES ham
radio, just spouts drivel on usenet about it, like most other no-coders.

394. Re: Growth of Amateur Radio, latest statistics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1924$82019220$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182632
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CJ <cjr@wavefront.com> wrote in article <349FE04F.71E01780@wavefront.com>...
> I think the ARRL, like most organizations, listens to its members.
>
> CJ, K0CJ

I think you're naive as hell.

The ARRL BOD does what it damned well pleases ... after all,
they are all "high-class" (long-time, coded) hams who "know
what's best for everyone else (NOT).

The ARRL is Nero fiddling merrily while Rome (ham radio) burns.

Their policies are aimed at maintaining the status quo, keeping
Morse as THE measure of the worth of a ham and perverting what was
chartered as a *technically-oriented* service into an electronic
gameland where appliance-operating know-littles can play mindless
electronic paintball wars competitive games to "earn" silly
certificates to hang on their walls to make them feel "important."

The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.

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Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
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Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

395. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afaa30.3501652@news.total.net>
Source record: 182633
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 4 Jan 1998 03:38:17 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss
>out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect
>example of what's wrong with amateur radio today.

and amazing enough, they went to through "cleaning process" eh ??

what a great ham can be made !!

>I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in
>it...it's done!

it's done !! yeay !!!!!

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

396. Re: FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Glenn <glennmiller@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68o9uo$ceh@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182634
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> I need to update my address info with the FCC. Can I do this via the net?
If so,
>please tell me the exact URL.

You may only renew an expiring amateur radio license online with the FCC.
All other license actions require submission of an FCC Form 610 (dated
September 1997 only) to Gettysburg via USPS.

Glenn/AA5PK

397. ICOM IC-T22a Mods Needed!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Anthony Lawson <kb9rsu@soltec.net>
Message-ID: <68o97e$b64$1@aura.soltec.net>
Source record: 182635

I own an Icom IC-T22a 2 Meter HT that already has extended recieve and transmit from 140-150. Are there any mods (keypad or hardware) to widen the TX range to match the default RX range (136-174)? Any help will be much appreciated!

73 de KB9RSU
kb9rsu@soltec.net

398. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AFA9AA.1B6A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182636
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

larry wrote:
>
> It sounds to me like radio enthusiats want access voice only on the
> amateur hf bands. In the vast majority of anti-code comments there is
> no comment about 'I want to be able to use packet or amtor etc.
> There is, however, lots of references to the voice used on 80 and 20.
>
> Is this true?

Your observations are very astute, Larry. There has been only fleeting reference to "I wanna experiment with new digital modes" but when pinned down by questioning about "why don't you go ahead and come up with some concrete proposals that any ham can work with" they always change the subject. More No-Code Agenda at work.

What they *REALLY* want is easy access to the HF voice bands, and that fact alone drives the entire no-code movement. Believe it, it's a fact cast in stone. The only thing that Morse code has to do with it is that it's a hurdle which they find to be too much trouble to leap, so they are intent on destroying it.

Dick W0EX

399. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afab21.3742679@news.total.net>
Source record: 182637
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 4 Jan 1998 14:14:31 GMT, al7dl@aol.com (AL7DL) wrote:

>>The number of hams in JA is increasing.

>Numbers can be deceiving at times.

> In speaking of the Operators License in
>Japan, it is issued for life and therefore no one can really tell how many hams
>there really are.

> The number of Station Licenses are a better indication.
^^^
The number of station licenses is increasing... unfortunately...
especially among young people (it's very common among high school
kids).

> The
>station licenses are far lower than the operator licenses.

> The number of hams
>is increasing in both the U.S. and Canada., also.

really ??
I thought the number of silent keys outweigh the number of new hams
(upgrading the license = not a new ham). AMEN.

>>many operate on VHF/UHF even on microwave bands.
>>440 repeaters are used, 1.2 GHz repeaters are used and they are now
>>setting up 2.4 GHz repeaters.

>In the large metro areas of the U.S., this is true also.

please let me know any 1.2 or 2.4 GHz repeaters in US.
I am sure others are also interested.

>I really don't feel that flooding the ham bands with warm bodies (just for a
>'bean count') is the way to go.

flooding the bands is the way to keep the spectrum.
If HFs are packed, many will move to higher bands.
That's what's happening in JA.

> I fully suspect, after CW is dropped as a
>licensing requirement (which I suspect will happen about 2015 to 2025) the next

CW was dropped ~10 years ago in Canada.
It still, however, exists for HF access which doesn't make any senses
in a logical manner.

>crusade will be
> 'why do I need to know anything about electronics and RF
>theory? No one needs to know that to operate a radio.'
> Next, it will be;
>'make the written exam easier to allow more people into amateur radio, the
>written test is too hard'.

make the exam more practical like commercial exams in canada.
commercial exams for restricted licenses in canada are based on
practical (how to make a call, proceed etc.).
introduce phonetics instead of electronic devices. introduce how to
make a call (called station then calling station etc.) .
practical stuffs are very easy but very important.

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400. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afaea4.4641657@news.total.net>
Source record: 182638
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 14:53:02 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

>Richard L. Tannnehill wrote:
>> If the code is still such a great filter, explain the trash mouths on
>> our 20 and 75 meter bands....mostly extras....I do think we can find a
>> much better filter than learning how to be a human digital modem.

>They're not "mostly extras", but--
>More to the point, what would those bands be now without the aforesaid
>filter?

more polite. 2 repeaters are MUCH polite.

don't even think of "filter" CW requirement is NOT a filter...

think of no-code JA stations. think of code-US stations on 80m.

>There are always individuals who push any envelope in the absence of
>effective guidance/enforcement.

> License class does not eliminate those
>few in the absence of threat of loss of that licensse-remember the days
>when such language would bring down the wrath of the FCC-, but any
>listening session on 11 meters reveals the same phenomona upscaled.

>Nothing short of direct enforcement of rules regarding language use on
>the air -if any survive- will eliminate this sort of garbage,
>unfortunately. Color it a part of the Culture of America Today-Sad to
>say.
>
>73, Dick W0EX

Many university graduates go to jail by doing some criminals don't
they (they make efforts in their lives) ??

Just wanted to let you know... knowing something or be able to do
something doesn't determine who you are. This applies to CW also.
Passing the CW tests will not give any indications whether one is a
good ham or bad ham.

This morning, my next door (I live in university residence) was having
a pot and cocaine party... 10s of students were there... and they are
the ones who are studying in Canada's well known university, McGill.
They graduate and they seek to work. Now... if the employers see
the McGill name, the chance of one getting hired is very good...
because many assume McGill graduates are well educated and responsible

people -- Not true. This is very similar to CW discussion. CW
will not create "good" hams. There are people out there with
Technician license (on 2m ?) who are much polite and responsible. If
you think CW is a filter and CW is the thing that determines who you
are, you are dead end.

I couldn't put everything in organized statement... but I was trying
to say: CW is not and will not be the indication of who you are.

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401. Mic/Headset HS51 help !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: christo.50@wanadoo.fr
Message-ID: <34aa7bec.1374528@news.relay.co.uk>
Source record: 182639

Hello dear OM and thanks to read my message.

I bought the Headphone with Micro HS51 from Icom recently. The
microphone jack is as follow :

Jack 2.5 mm

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Ground 5 Volts Mic

Apparently this Icom Headset needs a 5 Volts DCC from the Icom walky
talky and my question is :

Have you ever tried to connect this headphone on another brand of
walky talky having no 5 volts in the ext plug ?

Many thanks for your help !

Christophe<>F6GPM

EMAIL : christo.50@wanadoo.fr

402. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <spam@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AFB4E1.310EB156@shore.net>
Source record: 182640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

> In article <34ae3836.4700038@news.total.net>,
> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>
> >and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
> >people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
> >trying to understand other languages.
>
> This isn't a japanese newsgroup. It is an english newsgroup. While I
> understand the issues associated with gramatical composition in foreign
> languages, the fact remains that you are participating in a written,
> not spoken, forum, and thus have an opportunity to read what you write,
> and make adjustments as necessary. I don't flame you due to your spelling
> or diction (even the best of us slip up sometimes), but I am telling you
> that your "ESL handicap" nonetheless, you still look ignorant when you
> can't form a cohesive paragraph.

Hey! Give 'im a break. He's just a young kid with a lot of growing up to
do. But I do wonder how well you would do to write or speak anything in
Japanese. It takes a lot more talent and intelligence to learn a second
language than it does to learn Morse code.

And, Somebody hire this kid while he still knows EVERYTHING! It doesn't last
forever ya know.
--
j:) -=wk1v=-

403. Re: the truth about code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afb219.5527217@news.total.net>
Source record: 182641
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 20:17:45 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
wrote:

>Jim
>My call is KH2D
>My License Class is Extra, what's yours?

so ? how old are you ?? I am 18. what's yours ?? twice ?
triple ?

you are a typical pro-code amateur who holds others in contempt.
that's the problem for amateur radio nowadays.

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404. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd192b$4baf26e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182642
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

larry <lar01@sprynet.com> wrote in article
<34ae6380.18584832@news.sprynet.com>...
> It sounds to me like radio enthusiats want access voice only on the
> amateur hf bands. In the vast majority of anti-code comments there is
> no comment about 'I want to be able to use packet or amtor etc.
> There is, however, lots of references to the voice used on 80 and 20.
>
> Is this true?
>
> Larry ve3fxq

No, Larry ... many of us have, as our *primary* interest, experimenting with new digital modulation techniques, coding schemes (for error correction, not encryption), protocols, etc. to permit faster data transfers with lower power, less interference, and more robust performance in the face of the sometimes wildly varying propagation characteristics encountered at HF. (Note that this work *cannot* be done at VHF/UHF because the propagation environment and impairments are so dramatically different. Note, also, that in a purely digital transmission environment, "bits R bits," and can convey Morse code, voice, weather data, text messages, video, computer files, or whatever.)

In the future (if the pro-coders don't succeed in killing ham radio before it arrives at the future ... it's currently mired WELL in the past), there will be virtually no need for mode-based sub-band restrictions ... because no matter what type of communications you're conducting (perhaps several different ones at the same time with the same radio ...) the underlying modulation, coding, protocols, etc. will be essentially the same.

We have, however, proposed the establishment of modest (say 25 kHz) MORSE ONLY segments at the bottom of each HF band (where NO such preserve now exists ... remember, the ONLY "MORSE ONLY" segments specified by Part 97 are tiny slivers at the bottom of 6m and 2m). The purpose of these segments is to provide assurances to the Morse enthusiasts that we are not trying to ban the use of the mode (Morse use would continue to be permitted on ALL amateur frequencies) and to provide a "preserve" where Morse enthusiasts could beep to their heart's content without having to compete with ANY of the more modern modes.

Of course, this sort of progress and growth will take folks who understand and want to learn more about how radio works, rather than simply appliance-operating button pushers who judge everyone on the basis of how fast they can beep. The antiquated Morse requirement (and the "We beepers are a better, more worth class of ham than you folks who aren't interested in beeping."

attitude have kept out multitudes of intelligent people who would have made good hams and could have contributed a lot to the ARS.

The rabid pro-coders insist on trying to say "All they want to do is to grab a mike and start screaming 'CW DX' or 'CW contest'" ... While there *are* quite a few no-code-test advocates who are avid CW users and some who participate in DXing and contests (using both CW and/or SSB) I assure you that those are activities that are of little or no interest to many of us.

As far as HF packet or AMTOR, I have operated both extensively (yes, I am a "lowly" tech+ here in the states, but I lived for several years in another country where I had full amateur privileges under the terms of a license from that sovereign country). HF packet sucks ... it was a half-assed abortion from the get-go ... AMTOR is *much* better, but even it has been greatly surpassed by PACTOR, PACTOR II, CLOVER, etc. and there is LOTS of room for improvement.

So, don't let the fact that you don't see a lot of folks saying "I want to use HF packet" etc. mislead you ... many of us would love to be involved in the development of things that are even better than what is available now ... however, the pro-coders want to keep things like they were in the past. They can't stand the idea of ever more advanced technology rendering OOK Morse ever more and more obsolete. They ignore or declare irrelevant the fact that virtually all other radio services abandoned OOK Morse decades ago for better things (the last, the maritime service, will officially abandon OOK Morse in 1999 ... the US Coast Guard stopped even monitoring for Morse transmissions some time ago).

So please don't listen to the distortions and lies posted by desperate pro-code fanatics ... they resort to those distortions and lies because they don't have a *single* rational, logical reason why mandatory Morse testing should be maintained. They have an almost endless list of Morse Myths, arguments relative
to "tradition," and FUD (Fear, Uncertainty, and Doubt) relative to how the "hordes of CBers and outbanders will turn ham radio into a wasteland if the code test requirement is dropped or reduced" ... but NONE of their arguments hold a single drop of truth.

Ham radio desperately needs growth and *redirection towards its chartered purposes* if it is to provide sufficient public benefit to justify its extensive
frequency allocations into the coming century. DXing, contesting, and clinging to the past while the rest of the world leaves us in the technological dust will not "cut it" in this regard. It is, quite literally, a question of "accept
change and modernize or die."

The Morse requirement is an anachronism that serves only to preserve the largely
self-endowed status of an "elite" minority who wish to "rule the playground" like
a small clique of bullies (through dominance based on pure physical prowess) ..

I suspect that most rational people realize that the playground bully is
seldom
the brightest and most capable individual in the general population ...

In fact, most of the more rabid pro-coders here come across A LOT like "Biff"
from the "Back to the Future" flicks ...

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

405. We need a new group established

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <68odka$m00$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182643

After sifting through all the posts this morning, I had a brain-storm...
(thunder, lightning and all)... what we need is a new group called,
REC.RADIO.AMATEUR.WHINE

(TIC)

Regards and Happy 1998

DE K7RMJ Frank dit..dit

406. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <spam@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34AFB924.6D22937B@shore.net>
Source record: 182644
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> On 4 Jan 1998 03:38:17 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>
> >I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss
> >out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect
> >example of what's wrong with amateur radio today.
> >I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in
> >it...it's done!

You are the very one who sticks his head into the outhouse for hours at a time just to be able to go tell any friends (if you have any) how bad it smells. You don't do a thing to clean it up or make it smell better.
--
j:) -=wk1v=-

407. Re: One thing I have to be thankful for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afbc0c.515664@news.total.net>
Source record: 182645

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 03:42:37 GMT, lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote:

>I suspect they get the nocode licence 'first' to take the pressure off

actually they have to pass "basic" first in Canada (if they want to
open up a station).

>having to pass so many tests to become an amateur. Once they are on
>the air, above 30 mhz,

and I don't know why this should be above 30 MHz. Why not give them
160m and 10m say ??

> Unfortunately, no amount of explainations can
>demonstrate the usefullness of the morse code.

for some people, morse code is absolutely useless including myself.
For those, I don't know why we must know it for HF access.

> You have to be able to
>use it like another language before it's use becomes apparent.

I rather learn French instead ;-)

>The one thing I am rather bothered by is that so many people are
>giving the beginners the impression that it is bad before they get the
>chance to learn it and use it and discover it's value for themselves.

many people don't have time and don't have to even pay attention to
morse code ;-)

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408. Re: 5wpm is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afbd1f.790642@news.total.net>
Source record: 182646
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 10:21:27 -0600, 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET wrote:

>......THE ARRL recently proposed a new ticket.. with some
>hf (to real hams the low bands) operation.. more than
>I would ever agree with.. in any event.. considering in
>my novice days .. when I was 15 years of age I learned
>5wpm.. in less than two weeks.. I would think that for
>all intents and purposes...5wpm is *no code*....

how about if you introduce 100 WPM for technician plus ?

I am sure no one cares about amateur radio anymore.

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409. FS: Data Decoder

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave@omen.softnet.co.uk
Message-ID: <N.010498.165928.21@swhjz003>
Source record: 182647
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

MCL 1000 data decoder, decodes asci baudot cw e.t.c
with uhf tv modulator.No computers required..
comes with manuals box and leads....

100.00 Pounds ono

i am located in the southwales area of the uk

Ps please reply to email direct

410. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68of6b$50p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182648

In article <68n1p7$o3q@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>The good thing about Tim's question is that it provides,
>once again, the opportunity to point out that a potential
>ham CAN, in fact, ignore several theory subject areas and
>still pass the test....BUT can not ingore the CW test because
>it is a separate and individual test element.

The good thing about Bill's reply is that it provides,
once again, the opportunity to point out the irrelevancy of
Bill's counter-argument. The fact that one can "choose to
ignore" one or more theory sections is irrelevant: 1) you
can choose to ignore the CW examination unless you want to
get on HF; 2) as a general, you can choose to ignore the
advanced theory exam if you are happy with your existing
privileges; 3) even if someone does opt to take a theory
exam and ignores certain components, the applicant is
being discriminated again, because s/he now has to pass
the remainder of the questions on the theory exam at a
statistically higher rate than other applicants, merely
due to the fact that s/he doesn't want to learn anything
about those "outdated" modes (you know which ones: SSB,
RTTY, and so on...)

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

411. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afc0fa.1778117@news.total.net>
Source record: 182649
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 16:41:27 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
wrote:

>>>Hey Masa, forget about French, I'd work on my English a little more.

>>whatelse do you know besides English :(?

>Well, I can copy Morse code about 35 or 40 words per minute..... I can say

>Mushi Mushi when I answer the phone,

Mushi Mushi = I will ignore you. go away

Moshi Moshi = Hello

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412. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104170500.MAA29786@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182650

>> >and it is very sad that typical Americans are forcing English to other
>
>>people and they speak only and only English in their lives... not even
>
>>trying to understand other languages.

Why not? Works for us :-)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104170500.MAA29795@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182651

In article <68o7v0$1j7@dfw-ixnews3.ix.netcom.com>,
ctwla@ix.netcom.com(Constantine Thomas) writes:

>The liberty net will only jam somenoe that comes up with something
>they
disagree, as they have no tolerence for disagreements, every one has
>to
agree or else.

I didn't even hear much discussion last night. Most of what dominated my receiver was hetrodyne, caused by several stations jamming each other, AM carriers, and liberal amounts of military music.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

414. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104170500.MAA02595@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182652

In article <34ADE3DD.5E9C@no.net>, Bill <billr*@no.net> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:
>
> I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old
>farts jam, annoy, cuss
> out, and basically attempt to make life miserable
>for each other. A perfect
> example of what's wrong with amateur radio
>today. Prime ammunition for Rep.
> Billy Tauzin and others who wish to kill
>the hobby and turn it over to
> commercial interests in exchange for campaign
>$$$$$.
>
> I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a
>fork in
> it...it's done!
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna
>hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You probably have a point there, but what else can
>you expect when you
make it so easy for the cb types to obtain a license.

HUH?? We're talking about 75 meters here! That means General class or above!
ALL the participants in this brou-ha-ha (at least the licensed ones) have
passed that precious Morse test of 13WPM or better!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

415. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104170500.MAA02599@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182653

In article <01bd18b9$7b5498c0$16cbf2ce@william>, "William Lee"
<willee@interconnect.net> writes:

>Someone told me today that they passed the 5 WPM code test by sending CW
for
>2 min. Is this a real way to pass the code test for Tech Plus? Or
>is
something fishy going on here?
--

Yes. The VE can accept either 7/10 correct multiple-choice answers or one
minute of perfect code, send or receive, @ 5WPM. In most cases, however, a
sending test is not required.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

416. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104170801.MAA00160@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182654

In article <34AFB924.6D22937B@shore.net>, WK1V <spam@shore.net> writes:

>You are the very one who sticks his head into the outhouse for hours at a
>time just
to be able to go tell any friends (if you have any) how bad it
>smells. You don't do
a thing to clean it up or make it smell better.

Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's fine.
Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

417. Re: 160 Meter HT, AH-100 SSB HF HT with transverter?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: JAMES BOND 007 <THEOLDBROOKLYNKID@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68og4o$5d0@mtinsc05.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Amor Powers, Radio wrote:
>
> > >On 29 Dec 1997 07:06:25 GMT, "Mr. Punhorl Abheinne"
> > ><eldive@preform.net> wrote: Am look for 160 meter HT for to us
> > >>in mountains. Ane help?
>
> Your best buy for an SSB HT available now is a Cherokee AH-100 SSB/AM
> Handheld. http://www.bills2way.com/equip/ah100.html
> It is the most powerful HT for HF-SSB at low cost. 7 Watts. US$220.
> It could be used with a small transverter for 160meters.
>
> I don't know of any 160m commercially available transverters, but a
> small portable transverter is much simpler to homebrew than a complete
> SSB handheld. There was a homebrew article for a 160m transverter in the
> 1974 (or 1975?) ARRL Handbook I think... :-)
>
> The efficiency of an HT antenna is very low on 160m. It is unlikely you
> will get out very well with low power without a longer external portable
> type antenna.
>
> Amor Powers
CAN YOU IMAGINE THE SIZE OF THE 'TENNA ON THAT HT?
--
"IT'S FUN TO STAY AT THE YMCA!"

418. Re: Get off the rid of CODE Now !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <68ofdt$m00$2@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182656
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34AEFCC8.33BC@icss.net>, burkefam@icss.net says...
>
>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>>
>> In article <34ae4f56.10621042@news.total.net>,
>> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>>
>> >http://www.nocode.org/articles/maia2.html
>> > -> excellent article
>>
>> Fred "I make a living off selling test prep material" Maia?
>> I'm supposed to assume that an article written by him is
>> "impartial"? This, from the same guy who tries to weasel $5
>> out of every licensed amateur for their "license renewal"?
>>
>> MD
>> --
>> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>> -- with my guns.
>> --
>> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.
>
>Is this from MD "I've got more callsigns than you can shake a stick
at?"
>
>Callsign lookup results for:
>
>CALL "" NAME "DEIGNAN" CITY "" STATE "" ZIP "" LIMIT "0100"
>
>Program v1.3 - 8 March 1997 -- Last database update 1998-01-03 11:05
>
>
>KH6HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P LIC ISU
>4-DEC-1997
>ADVANCED 136 NELSON ST LIC EXP
>14-OCT-2007
> PROVIDENCE RI 02908 LST UPD
>4-DEC-1997
>
>
>WH6DDR WAIKIKI WIRELESS ASSOCIATION LIC ISU
>6-MAR-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP

>6-MAR-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830 LST UPD
>6-MAR-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>WH6DDQ MANANA ISLAND IOTA GROUP LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>20-FEB-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>WH6DDP RF COMMANDOS HAWAII CHAPTER LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>20-FEB-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>WH6DDM GREATER HONOLULU QRP SOCIETY LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>20-FEB-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830-0282 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
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>WH6DDO KAMAAINA KILOWATT CLUB LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>20-FEB-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
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>
>WH6DDN PACIFIC ISLE DX SOCIETY LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP

>20-FEB-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>KB1CCE RF COMMANDOS RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER LIC ISU
>20-FEB-1997
>CLUB 136 NELSON ST LIC EXP
>20-FEB-2007
> PROVIDENCE RI 02908 LST UPD
>20-FEB-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>WH6DCY CLOSED REPEATER COORDINATION SOCIETY LIC ISU
>8-JAN-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>8-JAN-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830-0282 LST UPD
>8-JAN-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>WH6DCX MICHAEL P DEIGNAN AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATLIC ISU
>7-JAN-1997
>CLUB P. O. BOX 8282 LIC EXP
>7-JAN-2007
> HONOLULU HI 96830-0282 LST UPD
>7-JAN-1997
>KD1HZ DEIGNAN, MICHAEL P IS
>RESPONSIBLE
>
>
>< D. Deignan deleted >
>
>< P. Deignan deleted >
>
>Returned 12 records.
>
>UALR home page
>
>UALR callsign server
>
>

Gee... it would take up an entire page of the log book just to have one qso with him...Why so many calls?

Regards... Frank

DE K7RMJ dit..dit

419. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1935$31310860$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182657
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

William Lee <willee@interconnect.net> wrote in article
<01bd18b6$a1127da0$16cbf2ce@william>...
>
>
> George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote in article
> <01bd17f4$1d91dec0$c9010bce@default>...
> > >
> > >
> >
> > >
> > > Purpose...an interesting concept when you discuss CW. I espouse CW not
> > > because I think it will be the way to save my soul in some dire emergency
> > > when no other form of communication will get through. Actually, I believe
> > > that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off
> saving
> > > my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.
> > >
> This person has no idea of what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
> by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
> something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
> the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...
>

Gee, Bill ... tell that to an old land-line telegrapher and they'll ROFLAO.

The sounders of old made a click-clack sound on key-down/key-up ... it
was the duration of the space between the click and the clack that determined
whether a dit or dah was being sent.

Gary Coffman posted a more extensive description of this in the last week or
so ... check DejaNews if you'd like to read more ...

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help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

420. Re: VE3FXQ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1934$745ba9c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182658

Dale Allen <daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net> wrote in article
<01bd18eb$d6840780$623f8bcd@daleal>...
>
> Yes Sir, unfortunately there are those out there who think that their
> precious hobby is going to go all to *!@$#^%& if the "unsavory CB element"
> of amateur radio gets theur way. Maybe this is so, but would it really get
> any worse (witness the manifold reports of those who listen regularly on 80
> Meters) than it already is???

Nope ... that entire "line of reasoning" (use of quotes intended to show
sarcasm) is bogus ... it's just intended to generate FUD (Fear, Uncertainty,
and Doubt) in the minds of some in an attempt to prop up the corpse that the
Morse "requirement" is ...

> Besides, where is the incentive to use other (high speed) digital modes
> from 30 MhZ down?

The incentive for the use of modern digital modes is not simply, or even
always, to achieve higher transmission speeds, but rather to permit greater
efficiency of spectral utilization with less interference and to overcome
the propagation impairments common at HF that limit our ability to communicate.
The objective can be to simply communicate more reliably without necessarily
focusing on communicating faster, though higher speeds are certainly possible
as well. An additional benefit would be the ability to communicate with much
less power over a given path, which also would provide many benefits ... modern
modulation and coding techniques can EASILY make a QRP rig outperform a more
conventional rig with a legal limit linear (despite the fact that most hams
are too technically illiterate to realize this fact).

> The bandwidth of those
> modes is very much wider than old fashioned Morse Code and would create
> more problems

Digital modulations do not necessarily have to require/occupy wider bandwidths
than OOK Morse ... in fact, for equivalent character transfer rates, it's EASY
to be NARROWER than Morse and far more robust at the same time.

> (especially with overcrowding).

Overcrowding is a myth ... even on the busiest contest weekends, the ham bands
are grossly underutilized by any reasonable technical standards ... there is
only
the *appearance* of "crowding" because the games are all intent on stomping
each
other into the dust with the brute-force of their "mas macho" signals.

Interestingly, I recently saw a report on a demonstration of a system running 56kbps *net thruput* in the middle of an HF band over a path of several hundred miles ... with at least a dozen carriers in the system's operational bandwidth at 60+ dB greater signal strength ... the demo system didn't miss a heartbeat and
there was NO evidence of any noticeable interference to the other occupants of the spectrum being used. This sort of performance would be within the reach of technically competent hams TODAY ,,, *IF* Part 97 rules did not permit the use of modern techniques and specify absurd "occupied bandwidth" requirements. Today's ham rules have been outdated relative to well-established principles of communications systems engineering and information theory since the late 1940s ..

> The plain fact is that just
> as the spark gap xmitters went, so will the OOM (on-off Morse) eventually
> go, every government agency in these united states (and Canada) has
> abandoned the Morse Code and Amateur radio should (and eventually will)
> follow,

Actually, even the most strident no-code-test advocates such as myself have never suggested that the *use* of Morse should be banned or abandoned ... we have stated repeatedly that there is no good reason for this and that we would not initiate nor support any move to ban the use of Morse in the ham bands. We have even proposed the "set-aside" of modest "Morse preserves" (say the lower 25 kHz of each HF band) as a place where Morse enthusiasts could beep to their heart's content without having to compete with ANY other mode ... note,
however, that Morse would continue to be permitted on ANY amateur frequency, but would have to "compete" on an equal footing with other modes, just as it does
now. With all of their dogma relative to the "superiority" of Morse it is difficult
to understand how the Morse advocates can fear this prospect as much as they quite
obviously do ...

>strange thing that, we (amateurs) used to be the leaders !!!!!

That is true ... but several decades ago the entire "point" of ham radio began to be distorted into a playing field for electronic paintball wars sorts of competitive games, promoted largely by the ARRL, and coupled with an almost total de-emphais on the importance of technical competence, experimentation, etc.

I think it's fairly obvious that the benefactors of this perversion were the ARRL
and the major advertisers (YaesIcoWood, etc.) who support the ARRL's publishing and
lobbying empire through major advertising revenues, with the intent of turning all
of hamdom into button-pushing appliance operators who have no clue how their rice-boxes
actually work and could care less as long as they *do* work so the games may

continue.
(Witness the suggestions of MD that UPS/FedEx shipping questions should be part
of
the ham test to assure that every nitwit appliance operator knows how to return
his
rig to the factory for repair ... gratuitously assuming, of course, the said
nitwit
has the requisite savvy to even realize that there is a problem with said
rice-box.
Noting that not all aberrant operation results in a completely dead rice-box.)

You are right ... hams once *were* leaders in technology ... AND COULD BE
AGAIN, if
we can simply redirect the emphasis of the purpose of the service to what it
was in
the past and has always *supposed to have been*. This is not going to be an
easy task.
The ARRL has been quite successful in promoting the lie that they are
"representative"
of the nearly 700k US hams ... despite the fact that their membership is only
about
175k and many of those "members" (such as me) have long since realized that our
voices
fall on deaf ears and simply continued "membership" to get QST (which has
diminished
in value greatly in the past 2 decades), to "keep an eye on" the shenanigans in

Oldington and Washington that our dues pay for, and to avert the "if you ain't
a
member of the ARRL you don't have the right to bitch about it" whines of the
good
old boy Luddites.

> Good day sir and 73's

73 to you as well,

--
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421. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1936$0a704460$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182659

AL7DL <al7dl@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980104141401.JAA12583@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> >The number of hams in JA is increasing.
>
> Numbers can be deceiving at times. In speaking of the Operators License in
> Japan, it is issued for life and therefore no one can really tell how many
hams
> there really are. The number of Station Licenses are a better indication.

That makes NO sense ... a station could be used by literally dozens of
operators ... in some eastern European countries, operators are only allowd
to operate under a club station license for a year or two before they can
obtain a personal callsign and establish a station of their own ... see a
rather recent QST for info on this ...

> The
> station licenses are far lower than the operator licenses. The number of
hams
> is increasing in both the U.S. and Canada., also.

Recent numbers posted her showed a net decline in the number of HF licensed
hams in the US ... the number of SKs and expired licenses more than offset
the upgrades and new HF licenses. But the (no-code) tech license showed
considerable growth.

[remaining BS relative to future elimination of written tests deleted on the
basis that it's totally bogus]

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422. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104172901.MAA05480@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182660

In article <34ada098.790156@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) writes:

>>If the above is a typical example of the level of literacy
>among Canada's
>university students,

are you a trilingual ??

Yes. Si. Ja. Oui. Ooops...

73 de Larry, K3LT
FISTS nr. 2008

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423. Re: Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104172901.MAA02755@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182661

In article <34AFA5F7.2718@scan.missouri.org>, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> writes:

>Jim Kehler wrote:>
> So how's ham radio in Canada, Masa, is it fun there too
>? Do they have
> lots of VHF repeaters, or do you just talk to cops on your
>HT ?
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

How would he know? He never gets on the air and
>actually USES ham
radio, just spouts drivel on usenet about it, like most
>other no-coders.

Jim/Dick:

Sure, M@S@ talks to cops on his HT, but only to say "hello!"

73 de Larry, K3LT
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424. Re: 5wpm is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34AFC6FF.1DE8@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182662
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie wrote>
> how about if you introduce 100 WPM for technician plus ?
>
> I am sure no one cares about amateur radio anymore.
>

Are you sure? If so, why are all these no-coders so strident in their
-your- demands? Why would anyone spend so much time engaging in
longwinded discourse over something that no one -including them- cares
about?

425. Why should I learn the code when, 'all I see, and hear, hams do is talk"?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34af877f.807004@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182663
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have been involved in an annual amateur radio display station, since the late 60's.

A few years ago, at the booth, I was approached by a gentleman who asked this question, 'why should I learn the morse code when, 'all I see, and hear, hams do is talk?'. Before I answered his question, I stopped a second and rethought my approach. I then asked him, 'Do you have a receiver?'. He answered, 'yes, I have a scanner'. I asked him what frequencies it covered. Unfortunately, he was unable to answer the question. From that I assumed that it was the vhf/uhf, type of scanner.

I then concluded that perhaps he had never been exposed to amateur radio cw communications. So.. I politely invited him over to our 20 meter station and invited him to sit down and I slowly rotated the dial from 14.0 to 14.08 or 14.1. As we tuned over the various cw transmissions I pointed out that that was morse code. When we hit the 'digital modes', I also, based on what it sounded like, told him what type of transmission they were.

I was rather surprised, the gentleman got up and left. He didn't make any comments. Unless I missed the mark here, I must have demonstrated that cw was in high use by amateurs and he was then unable to argue that amateurs are not using cw.

Larry ve3fxq

426. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34af8c4a.2034074@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182664

The cw exam I took, back in the mid 60's, required me to receive and send code for 3 consecutie minutes at a speed of 10 wpm from prepared text. Its is possible the person only gave you half the story.

I wouldn't take his comment too seriously.

Learn the code so you can receive and send it comfortably 3 or 4 wpm above the advertised minumum. It is a known fact that, when you are infront of the examiner, volunteer or otherwise, your nervoousness will reduce your speed by a couple of words per minute. Give your self some breathing space, head room.

I have read many newsgroup message from amateurs who say the learning the code is easy. Personally, I had a very hard time learning it. From the time I started to learn it in scouts about about 11 years old until I was able to pass the exam, it took me about 5 years to 'master' it. When I was with the examiner, I was the most nervous I had been, trying to write an exam. I passed. It then took me another 3 or 4 months, with on the air practice, before I was comfortable, communicating in morse code.

In short, the code is 'not' easy to learn. It take persistance and personal dedication, but, it is worth learning. Once you get off the idea that amateur radio is 'voice' communications, you will start to realise the value that cw has.

Larry ve3fxq

On 4 Jan 1998 01:46:24 GMT, "William Lee" <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:

>Someone told me today that they passed the 5 WPM code test by sending CW
>for 2 min. Is this a real way to pass the code test for Tech Plus? Or is
>something fishy going on here?
>--
>William Lee N5WRX

427. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34AFE1C9.4516@ibm.net>
Source record: 182665
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
> The internet is much faster and efficient. There are more people on
> the internet than the ham radio.

The Communicatorï¿½ would certainly choose the internet over ham radio.
But experimenters would certainly choose ham radio over the internet.
For me, ham radio is 99% experimentation, primarily with antennas.

> The CW requirement is just helping other people to avoid ham radio and
> use the internet instead.

The CW testing requirement may drive The Communicatorï¿½ toward the internet.
It simply keeps some experimenters away from ham radio because learning
Morse code is perceived to be an obsolete requirement and not worth the
effort by a large number of experimenters.

Some will argue that the "large number of experimenters" have freely
choosen to avoid ham radio as a hobby. IMO, ham radio needs experimenters
more than the experimenters need ham radio. IMO, the lack of such
individuals within the ham radio ranks is the major problem facing the
ARS as we enter the 21st century.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

428. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: petermaus@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104184800.NAA15241@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182666

>The Morse requirement is an anachronism that serves only to preserve the
>largely
>self-endowed status of an "elite" minority who wish to "rule the playground"
>like
>a small clique of bullies

Interesting that the term 'elite' has risen here. Because what follows:

>I suspect that most rational people realize that the playground bully is
>*seldom*
>the brightest and most capable individual in the general population ...

is hardly the characteristic of an 'elite' individual.
In this country the 'elite' have become almost pariahs in many circles. And yet, the very word stands for accomplishment, and achievement. The last time I looked these are things to be desired. When did this change?

This whole code-no code debate is nothing new. When I first started experimenting with radio, nearly 30 years ago now, I learned the code as a step, a discipline, into the next phase...while my friends did not have the patience for the key, and went for the quick path into CB. Keeping in mind that my best friend in the world was as technically adept as I was, and could easily have stepped into a Tech class and worked VHF, he was put off by the 'elitism' of the code requirement. And of the hams he had never met. They thought they knew more than anyone else.

Well, having been raised in a ham household, and having associated with hams for most of my life, I can say without a shadow of a doubt, that in fact, most of them do. Those that do, have earned their egos, through study, experience, and experiment. They are in that 'elite' and they have earned their place there.

What is coming out of all this debate, is that the code requirement for access to the ham bands is a roadblock to the 'elite'. Ok, you may never use it...So what? Do you have a driver's licence? Do you parallel park? Its a test requirement. How many had to know hand signals on the written test? How many have ever used them? And yet you still have to pass that portion of the test to get your license. And in today's society, driving is all of a necessity to survival for many. Funny nobody bitches about that test requirement.

Ham radio is not a right, its a hobby. Its an organized hobby, irrespective of the chaos you hear on the bands...And there are rules, and there are requirements to participate in any hobby. I want to be a member of the Ferrari club. Too bad I don't meet the main requirement. But that's the rule. They allow me to come to the meets, and I get the newsletter. But I can't come to the meetings and I can't be a member. I am not allowed into the 'elite'.

The concept that the Amateur radio service is a public access channel is ludicrous. You want to play, then qualify. If there is a code requirement, learn it, get in and then, just like a hand signal on a driver's test, never use it if you don't want to. No one is twisting your arm. But to argue that the code requirement is an impediment to legitimate research, communication and innovation, is absurd. Its a test requirement. Like technical knowledge, it is part of the test. Its the secret handshake to enter the club. Its the knock on the door to the 'elite'...a sign of accomplishment and achievement, and a sign of he willingness to go the 'extra length' to earn membership. And anyone who can't learn it to at least minimum proficiency simply chooses not earn their badge. In this country, choice not to participate, is not generally rewarded with membership. And that's how it should be.

You wanna use the bands? Pass the test.

Incidently, for those who will undoubtedly ask... I never did get my ham license. It turned out that I had no real interest in ragchewing. My interest turned to reception. And I have a very powerful receiving station, where among other things, its not uncommon for me to copy 23 wpm in code. And oddly, no test was required. Professionally, I am a broadcaster, and I sit behind those mikes for a living. As well as work the technical side of domestic broadcast.

And for the record, if you think hams have an elite attitude toward the rest of us, you ain't seen nothing. Broadcast engineers think, not only that they know more than anyone, but that they know pretty much everything. And you know what? Most of them do.
And I'll tell you one final thing...of the broadcast engineers I know.....

over half of them are hams.

Thanks for your time. You may return to your ridiculous debate.

p

And in today's

429. Updated Webpage

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Scott Nelson <scotty@sd.cybernex.net>
Message-ID: <34AFD98E.816@sd.cybernex.net>
Source record: 182667
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Stop by my website. Recently updated. Let me know what you think.

Scott
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http://ww2.sd.cybernex.net/~scotty

430. Re: Growth of Amateur Radio, latest statistics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AFDC5E.79B3@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:

> The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.

Lumpy writes:
I generally try and keep from being insulting, in the
spirit of Ham Radio. But in this case, I must conclude,
You're nuts!

You're spending an incredible amount of time and energy
trying to drop the code requirement so that what...
You and Masa can then find some other aspect of ham radio
you feel is unimportant? I don't operate pactor or SSTV,
but I learned about it so I could pass the test.

You're a tech plus. So you have to have learned 5wpm.
Was it really so bad? If you would study the code as
much as you complain on the NG's, you'd be extra
before you know it.

Lumpy (err Grumpy)
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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

431. wanted schematic RANGER AR-3300 + manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffke3uv@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980104190501.OAA14730@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182669

I need a copy of the schematic and manual for the Ranger AR-3300 10-11 meter rig.

Thanks, Jeff KE3UV
jeffke3uv@aol.com

432. internet vs ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104104852.11374G-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182670

Cutie boy wrote: "use the internet. make a phone call. it's better,
isn't it?"

Only if you don't mind using someone else's equipment (other computer
systems, phone lines) plus an unseen number of people who have to
run and maintain those systems. Pretty costly and complex replacement
for ham radio.

I prefer building my radios and communicating without having to
depend upon others to provide the path. Propagation is free.

My QSOs from Hawaii include hams on South Pacific islands with
no computers nor telephones. If you restrict yourself to just
internet and the telephone, you'll never get a chance to enjoy
meeting these very interesting folks.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

433. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AFDD90.716C@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> This morning, my next door (I live in university residence) was having
> a pot and cocaine party... 10s of students were there... and they are
> the ones who are studying in Canada's well known university, McGill.
> They graduate and they seek to work. Now... if the employers see
> the McGill name, the chance of one getting hired is very good...
> because many assume McGill graduates are well educated and responsible
> people -- Not true.

Lumpy writes:
Not sure who I'd want to hire. Masa or his neighbors...;-[

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http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

434. Re: One thing I have to be thankful for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68ofi3$52c$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182672
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34af0222.25890949@news.sprynet.com>,
larry <lar01@sprynet.com> wrote:

Followups redirected to .policy, where code/nocode discussions belong...

>There is one thing I have to be thankful for, in this code/nocode
>debate. I find that many, probably most, amateurs who enter the hobby
>via the nocode licences, eventually, in terms of months not years, do
>get the cw endorsement.
>
>I suspect they get the nocode licence 'first' to take the pressure off
>having to pass so many tests to become an amateur.

I don't know if "most" codeless techs eventually upgrade to a coded
license, you'd have to do a time study of licensees over the past 5 years
to determine if there is any truth to this assessment.

However, the second point in your statement above is true. Most new hams
I know are today getting licensed first as codeless techs. The reason is
quite simple: theory is relatively easy to study, and the codeless tech
license offers the most privileges for the least amount of effort on their
part. It allows them to concentrate on only one thing at a time -- no need
to split studying time between theory and cw.

>The one thing I am rather bothered by is that so many people are
>giving the beginners the impression that it is bad before they get the
>chance to learn it and use it and discover it's value for themselves.

Its all part of the brainwashing the No-Code Agenda wishes to put forth.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

435. Re: To: VE3FXQ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68oihb$54j$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182673

In article <01bd18eb$d6840780$623f8bcd@daleal>,
Dale Allen <daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net> wrote:

>(witness the manifold reports of those who listen regularly on 80 Meters)

The 75/80 meter nonesense is grossly overexaggerated. There are maybe 2
or 3 dozen morons up there. Of course, those 2 or 3 dozen morons, heard
everywhere in the US, make it appear that the band has become another 11
meter band. However, nobody hears about the other 499,964 licensed amateurs
with 80/75 meter privileges, who operate with class and distinction every
day.

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-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

436. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68oijg$55c$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182674

In article <68n9drenb1@newsd-133.iap.bryant.webtv.net>,
skip <itrydx@webtv.net> wrote:

>Code will go away it is out dated . Just because my father did
>it. He also got rid of the out house and got a toilet.

Yeah, but did he get rid of that keyboard which inserts a random number of
spaces between words? Apparently not.

MD
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-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

437. Re: Thoughts on CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68oia5$53p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182675

In article <68n7uh$n40@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>,
Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> wrote:

>I don't think so, RC. I think this time, it's different. I think something
>happened that directed a lot of people to amateur radio that should
>have been directed to the FRS or elsewhere.

Yup. You've nailed it on the head. I believe the problem exists with the creation of the codeless tech license. (Note: I am not blaming the codeless tech license itself, nor codeless techs.)

Take a look at the FCC licensing. Prior to 2/91, when the codeless tech license came into being, there were ~250k licensed amateurs in the US. In the past seven years, we have seen those numbers almost triple.

Yet, tuning around the bands, I don't hear 3 times as much activity today as I did back in the late 80's. I hear many more people, but not activity.

I believe the problem resides in how amateur radio is sold to people. Back in the late 80's, with the creation of the codeless license, amateur radio was sold to people as a FRS. "Keep in touch with your friends and family, no code test required!" Amateur radio was not billed as a technical service back then, e.g. "Learn remote command and control, telemetry, and other kinds of cool stuff!" (appealing to those computer geniuses we were supposed to get.)

The codeless license was sold to amateur radio as being a means by which all these technical geniuses were going to get involved in ham radio, but who were turned away because the code test was "outdated" or required too much of their busy time to pass in order to get on VHF.

What is truely funny about the codeless tech license is that all it did was remove the 5WPM test for all VHF privileges -- and the 5wpm code test is the easiest of all tests, amounting to little more than a mental table translation. When push comes to shove, the codeless tech license did nothing except remove a relatively minor requirement from the licensing structure.

Yet, what I see today and hear on the radio today are a large number of people with little interest in the aspects of radio (whether technical or in the art of communication) and more in the "personal communication" aspect. Ham radio is a cheap cell phone.

Several years ago I was an officer for the largest radio club in Rhode Island, with 350 members. This club sponsored a repeater, which had coverage in 75% of the state. On the repeater was an autopatch. Guarenteed, at least once a month, when a new member would join, s/he would use the autopatch

an average of 10 times per day. And, you couldn't talk to these people. Try to tell them that the autopatch was there for nominal or emergency use, and isn't supposed to be a replacement for a cell or pay phone, invariably we would get the welfare state mentality reply: "HEY! I PAID MY $20! IT'S MY RIGHT TO USE THE AUTOPATCH HOWEVER I WANT!"

>I just don't think there are many newcomers
>with enough interest in amateur radio that want to be helped.

More often than not they are hostile when you attempt to offer constructive criticism or advise. One time I was chatting on 146.55 simplex with a roundtable, and I kept hearing someone talking, as if they were a few KCs off, like on 146.54. No amount of searching could find them. At one point I thought perhaps they were close to me in a mobile and I was getting some front-end overload, until someone else in the roundtable eventually heard them too. Finally, we found the party talking on the 146.70 repeater (with a 146.10 input). I could hear his signal from 145.8 to 146.6. When I called him on the radio (and later the phone) to tell him he might have a problem with his radio, I was told "F OFF, A-HOLE".

>Take an HF radio to a HAM club meeting and see how long it takes
>to give it away....

I'm running into this problem right now. As President of Rhode Island's second-oldest amateur radio club (est. 1926), we maintain a fully operational club station at a clubhouse the club owns outright. Yet, nobody ever uses it. One or two people might operate on a Friday nite when we're down there, but that's it. Other than our "70th anniversity" special event station last year, where we made over 1000 contacts, the station has been relatively unused. I've personally, out of my own pocket, donated a new pentium computer system and a drake L4B to upgrade the station. We've installed a new ICOM HF/6 meter (IC730, I think is the right number), purchased by the club. New antennas, new coax, totally remodeled station courtesy of our "station manager" and.... no use.

>I'm sure a lot of new hams or people who are thinking about ham radio
>are confused by what they read here. People who are hams who come
>here looking for something interesting or constructive about ham radio
>don't usually stay here for long.

When you really get down to it, though, Jim, what is interesting about amateur radio anymore? The technology is old, and newer technology is outside the engineering capabilities of 99% of today's hams. What is left to talk about? I visit our clubhouse for our weekly friday evening meetings, and we end up talking about our jobs, other events in our lives -- rarely anything "radio" related.

>No code, pro code, coded, uncoded, whatever, what goes on
>here does no good for amateur radio whatsoever. Nobody is going to
>win. Everybody is going to loose. One of these days somebody who
>is holding the chain is going to get very tired of all the noise and
>simply pull the plug.

With delivery of inexpensive personal communications to the masses, amateur radio has outlived its usefulness. Its just that simple.

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-- with my guns.
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438. Re: 160 Meter HT, AH-100 SSB HF HT with transverter?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Amor Powers, Radio" <power@radio.ca>
Message-ID: <34AFE2E3.75CD@radio.ca>
Source record: 182676
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

JAMES shouts:

> CAN YOU IMAGINE THE SIZE OF THE 'TENNA ON THAT HT?

An external multi-turn loop antenna could probably be made to be somewhat portable and compact and still work for 160m. A whip with a large "basket coil" might also work, along with a huge loaded tiger tail. But a typical pull-out telescopic whip with all the loading inside the HT (or a large baseload) used in typical handheld operation would be a joke. It is difficult enough to get handheld antenna efficiency at 20 meters. The high noise level on 160 is one of the things that is difficult to overcome on QRP with short antennas.

OTOH, VHF FM HT vs 10m SSB HT...
I've done side-by-side simplex comparisons between a couple of 4 watt 2m FM HTs with halfwave AEA telescopic whips, and some AH-100 10m SSB HTs with 48inch long base loaded telescopic whips, in rough rocky terrain, the Cascade Mountains of the Northwestern US. The AH-100s won every time, no contest, even on low power. Even with the loss in efficiency of the loaded antennas, there is quite a difference in ground wave propagation for HTs between VHF and 10meters in mountainous terrain! Granted, the benefit of SSB over FM has to be factored in, but even when we stopped down to only 1 watt on 10m, the AH-100s still won.

Bye for now,
Amor Powers

Gone On Vacation

439. Re: Becoming a Radio Amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34afe4a7.3595994@news.total.net>
Source record: 182677
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 12:05:52 -0700, Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD
<lumpy@digitalcartography.com> wrote:

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>> This morning, my next door (I live in university residence) was having
>> a pot and cocaine party... 10s of students were there... and they are
>> the ones who are studying in Canada's well known university, McGill.
>> They graduate and they seek to work. Now... if the employers see
>> the McGill name, the chance of one getting hired is very good...
>> because many assume McGill graduates are well educated and responsible
>> people -- Not true.

>Lumpy writes:
>Not sure who I'd want to hire. Masa or his neighbors...;-[

now you know that the university graduates are no better than high
school graduates :-)

now you know that the CWers are no better than no CW-ers ;-)

_____________________________________________________________________
Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
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Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

440. THE FIRST EUROPEAN STEREO RADIO STATION ON THE INTERNET

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: agrau@writeme.com
Message-ID: <34afe449.4940895@news.redestb.es>
Source record: 182678

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24H THE BEST MUSIC
24H THE BEST NEWS
ALL FOR FREE WITH REAL AUDIO 3.0 STEREO
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http://segreradio.com
radio@segreradio.com
Alexandre Grau (agrau@writeme.com)
Segre R&#65533;dio (http://segreradio.com)

441. Re: We need a new group established

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-04 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34AFE377.3483@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182679

Lumpy posts and emails ...

Oak wrote:
>
> After sifting through all the posts this morning, I had a brain-storm...
> (thunder, lightning and all)... what we need is a new group called,
> REC.RADIO.AMATEUR.WHINE
>
Lumpy writes:

Masa wants to eliminate cw so he can phone on hf. Seems to me
he has quite a difficult time communicating in written (typed)
text, which is more forgiving than spoken word. He can't (or
doesn't want to) code, he can't write understandably in English,
and from what the other French speaking commenter says, Masa
can't communicate well in that language either. He never answers
his email. Just who does he want to communicate with and in
what mode or language?

Perhaps...

rec.radio.whining.masa.code
rec.radio.whining.masa.japan
rec.radio.whining.masa.canada
rec.radio.whining.masa.cant.really.tell.what.he's.saying
rec.radio.nocode.it's.always.someone.elses.fault

Happy -. . .-- -.-- . .- .-. ..-. .-. .- -. -.-
(no coders, read that as slow as you like, or use a cheat sheet)

Lumpy
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Standard Disclaimer:
Anyone not offended should contact me within 30 days for
an immediate insult. Otherwise the offer expires and you
will have to come up with something else dumb for me to
make fun of......

442. Re: 160 meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gene Young <N9MXQGY@sltic.com>
Message-ID: <34B1A6B6.56BFCD1E@sltic.com>
Source record: 182384

T E I X E I R A wrote:

> An HT for 160 meters is a great idea......but the 240 foot rubber duck
> is a killer.
>
> Don, W6IQ

Imagine the battery pack!!

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73 From N9MXQ Gene In Belvidere IL
N9MXQ@N9HKM.#NCIL.IL.USA ax25 Mail
N9MXQ.AMPR.ORG 44.72.70.122
N9MXQ-1.AMPR.ORG 44.72.17.18
N9MXQ-2.AMPR.ORG 44.72.17.19
N9MXQ.SLTIC.COM
N9MXQGY@sltic.com E-Mail
http://www.sltic.com/n9mxq

443. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
Message-ID: <34B1C9FD.3945@netcom.ca>
Source record: 182385
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

J M Noeding wrote:
>
> On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
> wrote:
>
> >Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
> >CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the other
> >way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW op. but
> >why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment appears
> >here and there?
> >I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me alone
> >and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
> ....provided KEY-clicks don't spread all over the phone band....
> still some opr should show more interest for making a clean cw signal
> with no interference to other opr
>
> ----
> Jan-Martin Noeding -email: la8ak@online.no
> N-4623 Vaagsbygd, Norway, Europe
>
> Tel.+47-380-87178
You gotta be joking. SSB big gunner's splatter is 1000% worse than key
clicks. You can technically prove it. Are you guys using A0 mode over
there? Or what kind of RX are you using? Ancient 0-V-2?
I always self monitor my signal thru my back up RX.
Tony, VE6CGX

444. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B1BCD0.3E13@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182386
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

SCO wrote:
>
> Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net> wrote:
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> >Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote: >
>
> >> British Coast Guard officials report the ship has been abandoned and the
> >> nearest ship is some 400 miles away. But the Oak's crew and captain are
> >> reportedly aboard lifeboats.
> >
> >But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate? Clover
> >should have worked (provided someone else who also had Clover
> >capabilities had made an appointment for the emergency qso). RTTY should
> >have worked. Or packet. Heck, the message would have made it that
> >distance within 3-4 days, provided there were with VHF range of a packet
> >station. Or satellite or voice or something...why did they have to use
> >CW to get saved??? Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> >they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?
> >
> >Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
> >
> >KR4AJ
>
> No one ever said there should not be any CW in the future ... we only
> want to change the exam proceedures.
>
> The owner of that ship should be held accountable for not having more
> modern communications capability on board.
> The Wild West indians here in the USA once used smoke signals but I
> doubt there are very many people now who could recognize a SOS smoke
> signal sent in Cherokee or Black Foot languages. Now the idians would
> probably use FRS or SSB or FM on 2m or 6m or maybe 20m.
> W4SCO

Open your eyes fella---here's an excerpt from a posting on the "CW LIST"
from a ham,Charles McKnight WI5S, whose wife is an electronics officer
aboard a merchant marine ship working full time....Charles says...

"The US and most other developed nations are phasing out and no longer
monitoring 500kHz CW. Many other places in the world, CW is the only
thing that is monitored locally.
The failure rate of the GMDSS consoles is curently running 100%.
That's right, every disress signal from them has been a false alarm, at
least as of last summer this was true and probably still is.

The Sailor GMDSS console which has beed installed aboard the ship my wife is sailing on now can only be coaxed through the predeparture tests and is a very troublesome, albiet beautiful piece of equipment. It is claimed by Radio Holland that the operation of the 500kHz equipment in the vicinity of this "sensitive" equipment poses a danger that the high power RF will damage it. If this is true, which I seriosly doubt, it is certainly a piece of junk.
The reality of the situation is that it is the new politically correct way to go and everyone is going that way and no one can stop it because it is all about money, big money. No one cares a damn about safety of life at sea."

So there it is fron the front lines. You say you wanta take a sea cruise?

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't Get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!****

445. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R0501982127170001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 182387

In article <68rd6t$o0k$1@ulysses.noc.ntua.gr>, "Nick"
<xinisglf@acropolis.net> wrote:

>i want to buy one TS-50
>do you recomend this !!!???

Absolutely. My wife has one in her car and she gets nothing but good
reports on it. When the TS-440 in my truck finally goes to the Great
Beyond, I will probably replace it with a TS-50.

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

446. Re: cannot feel the love here for masa>>>WHY??????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Toolman <UNSPAMpoustie@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <68sebl$kbf@examiner.concentric.net>
Source record: 182388

Masa is the racist. Read his post in bc.politics of 30 12 97. Masa is an Oriental Supremacist, (did I just coin that term?) he states quite clearly that Asians are superior to Whites. Read it for yourselves, it's quite offensive.

Tim

why don't you look it up wrote in message
<34b28402.1240157@news.flash.net>...
>For some reason, I just cannot feel the love here for that masa
>person. I should use one of his phrases.....HE IS A RACIST.....
>oh well, things must be getting tough in Canada, masa wants
>to dictate AARL and US ham policies......does that mean that
>they don't love him in canada either???

447. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: KC7ZRU <NO-SPAM@cyberhighway.net>
Message-ID: <34B1D469.DC51D0D6@cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182389
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

You can find the 'final word' on harware hacks on the HTX-202 at www.radioshack.com.

Just to save you a short trip - the manual specificaly says, "This radio cannot be modified for
expanded frequencies". I've had mine for about 3 months now - and have searched all I know to search
for any mods (online and other) - so far I've found a grand total of - none (excpet the one that
fries the rig).

RS does show how to setup a patch cable for a TNC at their web site.

73 de KC7ZRU

Thomas Weeks wrote:

> In article <Pine.BSI.3.95.980102091712.2870A-100000@home.dp.net>, tech@dp.net says...
> >
> >
> >It goes something like this..... No matter who makes it, every company
> >gets a lemon or two, or perhaps a run of them, in their line up.
> >It happens with cars, radios, etc.
> >
> >I have owned 3 RS 202's and know of others that own them , and have had
> >little if any problems,
>
> Hi!
>
> I just got a used 202 for $120 and am working on getting my tech or novice license...
>
> I am an EE (EET really) and was interested if you knew about any good hardware hacks that can be
> performed on this rig...?
>
> PLease send replies to tweeks@texas.net
>
> Thanx..
>
> Tom D Tek

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All opinions expressed are my own. | Remove the Spambot blinders
You are encouaged to disagree | "127 and "721"
or aggree - your choice | from my Reply To:

They are still mine | address to send email

448. CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68sovd$fit@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182390
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Yes, Mike, I HAVE called you an asshole and an idiot ... on at least
>several occasions ... BECAUSE YOU ACT LIKE ONE SO DAMNED CONSISTENTLY.

Squiggy, Squiggy, Squiggy. You haven't restricted the 'calling' to Mike.
You call EVERYBODY who doesn't fit into your mold of the perfect
beeperless electronics engineer the same thing. You have a deep down
hatred for ham radio and everything it stands for. You need help, bubba.

>At least I had a REASON ...

No, you have two reasons. One, because you're you. Two, because you are
obsessed with this code/nocode baloney to the point where it has become
the most important thing in your life.

>That is WORLDS different that attacking a foreigner for whom English
>is a second language for some silly grammatical mistakes just so you
>can take a cheap shot ... one has to wonder if you would attack "Masa"
>so vigorously if he were a) not Japanese and b) not in favor of the
>elimination of mandatory Morse tests for access to HF ... as I said,
>you and Jim Kehler are amongst the worst examples of "Ugly Americanism"
>that I have EVER seen. (And I saw some AWFULLY rude and ignorant gringos
>while I lived in Mexico ...)

Our friend Masa is the town clown, the local jerk, the fool - if we teach him
a few more bad words in English, he may even become world class, like you.
Masa would still be the town clown if he could copy Morse code at 50 wpm.
He enjoys playing the fool - the difference between you and Masa is he
realizes he's a fool. You could turn a church sermon into a no code debate,
Squiggy.

You aren't interested in ham radio - you are only interested in making noise.

You are bitter because you haven't gotten anything out of ham radio because
you haven't put anything in to it. You are very confused.

Let's look at a few things you have said recently:

First, you told somebody:

>Message-ID: <01bd10ca$2914a920$0100005a@wa6vse>

>Yeah ... join No Code International (http://www.nocode.org) rather than
>sending your money to Oldington so they can use it to lobby AGAINST your
>interests and keep ham radio stagnated in the past.

Then you turn around and say:

>Message-ID: <01bd0f4c$55535e20$0100005a@wa6vse>

>I've been a dues-paying member of the ARRL since at least 1975, with only a
>brief lapse in membership while I was out of the country and didn't get a
>renewal notice.

So what is it Sqiggy, are you suffering from a split personality, or are you paying the ARRL 'to lobby AGAINST your interests' one day and then advising somebody else NOT to do the same the next day?

I guess the ARRL is OK for you but not for anybody else. Kinda like CW tests are OK for me but not for you, right ?

Kinda looks to me like you are playing both sides of the fence here Squiggy, and hoping the fence will cave in......

Before you bother to spend an hour trying to type out some explaination for the above, remeber that you you also said:

>Message-ID: <01bd1924$82019220$0100005a@wa6vse>

>The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.

>they are just a bunch of mealy-mouthed, weasle-worded
>politicians ... comparable in ethics and credibility to Bill Clinton,
>who is unquestionably the most corrupt, scumbag president since LBJ.

The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.... so you have been sending them money for 22 years to support the cause - your REAL cause - you want ham radio to go away. Mealy mouthed, weasle-worded politicians, whom you have supported for the last 22 years by sending them money.....

I don't think you are a hundred percent correct in that last quote, Squiggy. I think people like YOU are ham radios worst enemy. You're like the 4 year old kid whose ice cream fell on the floor - first thing you want to do is grab the other kids ice cream and throw it on the floor - if you can't have any, then you

don't want anybody else to have any either.

You have been a technician class ham radio operator for 25+ years. Nothing about ham radio ever excited you, intrigued you, got you interested. But you did notice along the way that other people in ham radio were having a lot more 'fun' than you were, and that pissed you off.

So then along came the no code tech license, no code international, usenet, and there you were, pissed off, just waiting to jump on the band wagon and see if you could help flush the toilet. You always wanted to be a HERO instead of a ZERO, so here you are typing, in hopes of confusing the sheep.

You have ZERO excuse for being a tech, Squiggy. You have expounded many times in the last two years how much you know about electronics. And a few times you have even slipped up and said:

>Message-ID: <01bd187c$5c2853c0$0100005a@wa6vse>

>I know (and passed a test on) the code ... I'm not as fast as the High Priests
>of Morseodism in Oldington and others like Roll, Carroll, etc. would like to
>see as "The Standard of Excellence," but I could copy CQ at probably 40 wpm ...

Which really blows a big hole in your 'I wanna get on HF to do digital experimentation and bring ham radio into the 21st' century but the code test is keeping me off HF' baloney. If you can copy a CQ at 40 wpm, you can damn sure pass a 13 WPM code test and get on HF and do all the experimenting you want - but that's not the real agenda - your real agenda is to cause as much hate and discontent as possible and see if you help throw the ice cream on the floor.

You're a fraud, Squiggy. A fake. Sad thing is, you have worked yourself up into such a rage and you spend so much time slobbering over a keyboard, that you are about the only one left here that doesn't realize that. You need help. Professional help.

You are not interested in ham radio - you are only interested in making noise.

But I'll tell you what I am going to do. ARRL membership now, I think is $36 a year. I have no idea what it was 22 years ago, so I will use todays figure. $36 times 22 years is about $792. We'll round if off to $800.

I'm going to give you a refund, so you can have back everything you have put into ham radio. You throw away the usenet software and go find a good head doctor.

You explain to him that you are consumed by the fact that you hate ham radio, and ask him if he can give you some help. If he says yes, you tell him to send me the bill for the first $800 worth. I'll look at it as my investment in the future of ham radio......

I've noticed you seem to have a problem finding things I post in usenet lately, Squiggy, so I'll email you a copy of this to make sure you get it. My usenet feed just isn't that reliable, I guess.

73, Jim KH2D

449. Cecil's Dr. Williamson

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104232656.29016D-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182391

Hi Cec, So the good doctor (PhD in EE) is a no-code tech? Wonderful! Make sure he reads the FCC's version of our charter (S97.1). Have him join a local RACES or ARES group so he can perform community service (our primary mission as outlined in S97.1). (Hopefully, getting his feet wet during a flood won't be beneath his dignity.) Also, S97.1e requires him to work some DX occasionally. Make sure he reads the .dx newsgroup.

Remind him not to feel like an outcast, for you'll always make your station available to him for his cutting-edge HF research. If that's not good enough for him, then maybe he's not as altruistic as we thought.

Jeff KH2PZ/7

450. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b0f3c9.3478561@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182392

As one person put it to another, who asked the same question on the internet serval months ago, if someone has to give you a compelling reason for you to upgrade then you really haven't caught on to what amateur radio is about.

I got onto amateur radio, back in the mid 60's, because of what I forsaw that it would give me. I had polio at age 5. Most of the people I knew, or met me sight first, saw my physical imperfections and prejudged me as someone who was disabled.

With amateur radio they met me via the telegraph key and mike first. The fact that I had passed our amateur exam, I am Canadian, and a little over a year later, the advanced showed them that I was talented. My disability didn't hold me back them.

During the later half of the 60's my station was not the fanciest but is was creative, some homebrew stuff. A lot of amateurs were impressed at what I was able to do with very little.

During the first half of the 70's, I rebuilt existing equipment, at a chronic care hospital, to allow the physically diabled, quads and paras, to operate their station by themselfs. That accomplishment, alone, gave me high recognition.

I also got involved in other public relations events and volunteer work.

No one can tell you why you should upgrade. That has to be a personal decision/choice for you to want to upgrade. As many people have told me, and I found out for myself, amateur radio will only give you what you are prepared to give it first. The more effort you put into it up front the more you will get back afterward.

Larry ve3fxq

On 4 Jan 1998 23:22:01 -0700, babarum@hotmail.com wrote:

>Hello all,
>
>I hope this is not get too religious but...
>
>I was considering getting equipment, upgrading my tech license, but I
>never got into packet, never bought any equipment. When I got my license
>in 1994 [kc5gef] I was excited. I had followed in the 80's and earlier
>the debate over a no-code license etc. I thought then I could marry
>computers with ham radio. Well that is a yes/no. All my life I thought
>that ham radio was the 'leading edge' if not the bleeding edge of the

>beginnings of technology.
>
>With the beginnings of the WWW as well as the growing popularity of the
>Inet, ham radio has been left in the dust still arguing about whether cw
>should be dropped or not.
>
>All the technology that is used in radio right now is surpassed with
>internet/computer technology. All of which is without a need for testing
>for a license or heavy fed regulation.
>
>ragchewing/chatting in real time -- no license, no feds
>chatting with audio/video -- no license, no feds
>bit/broadcasting with audio -- no license, no feds [see
> http://www.dice.net/radio/]
>dxing -- no problem with the internet
>emergencies broadcasting -- could be done but is MUCH easier
> with radio.
>technical aspects -- computer/networking technology is every bit as
>stimulating and complicated as radio and more so.
>
>making friends -- I have had friends on the inet since I first got on in
>1992, from all over the world and 1 from india and 1 from nepal has
>visited my home. There online communities exactly like the ham
>communities. They keep scheds, channels etc.
>
>costs are much less. Gouging by computer mfgs is far less common than
>radio mfgs.
>
>I could go on. The fact is sad while the ham community squabbled they
>missed their chance to marry the two technologies. It was a natural
>marriage too.
>
>I would appreciate if anyone could tell me what ham radio has to offer
>that computer/internet doesn't offer.
>
>Thanks for taking the time to read this.
>
>terry

451. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68r176kcg1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182434
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <01bd192b$4baf26e0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>No, Larry ... many of us have, as our *primary* interest, experimenting with
>new digital modulation techniques, coding schemes (for error correction,
>not encryption), protocols, etc. to permit faster data transfers with
>lower power, less interference, and more robust performance in the face of
>the sometimes wildly varying propagation characteristics encountered at HF.
>(Note that this work *cannot* be done at VHF/UHF because the propagation
>environment and impairments are so dramatically different. Note, also, that
>in a purely digital transmission environment, "bits R bits," and can convey
>Morse code, voice, weather data, text messages, video, computer files, or
>whatever.)
>
I'm an inactive no-coder, digital modes was all I got a license for in the
first place. The only time I ever used voice was driving to / from work or to
use the local phone-patch. The current AM / FM / SSB modes are waste of
spectrum. CW, is a great space-saver, but no matter how "fast" you are at it,
it's still painfully slow compared to digital modes. Even though digital modes
use up the same spectrum as their analog modulation, they are far more
efficient, because more can be sent in less time, and at odd hours. It makes
no difference if a real person is there to receive it or not, it will be
stored and read later.
>

>The rabid pro-coders insist on trying to say "All they want to do is to
>grab a mike and start screaming 'CW DX' or 'CW contest'" ... While there
>*are* quite a few no-code-test advocates who are avid CW users and some
>who participate in DXing and contests (using both CW and/or SSB) I assure
>you that those are activities that are of little or no interest to many of us.
>
I personally think "contesting" and "paper chasing" are a waste of time and
spectrum, and should be banned. But it keeps the magazines going.....
Maybe we could make an execption for "Field Day" since it is alleged
to actually have a purpose.

452. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8AK@abcdef.ghj
Message-ID: <34b06efc.1836087@news.online.no>
Source record: 182435
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
wrote:

>Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
>CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the other
>way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW op. but
>why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment appears
>here and there?
>I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me alone
>and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
....provided KEY-clicks don't spread all over the phone band....
still some opr should show more interest for making a clean cw signal
with no interference to other opr

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453. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd185b$be787da0$0f1871ce@default>
Source record: 182436

no, your misunderstanding the rule that im talking about. it mearly states that using a communications device to break the law,(city,state county or federal) is a federal crime. the fact that some one has a scanner or ham radio in their vehicle is not reasonable cause to believe you are breaking a law. HOWEVER, if you are caught breaking a law and have those devices in your vehicle or on your person, then it is reasonable cause for law enforcement to think you are using them to assist in the breaking of that law.
ALSO, under the drug enforcement act of 1986, if you have a communications device (beeper,scanner,cell phone) on your person, while posessing any controled substance, the federal act mandates a 10 year federal prison term automatically..
so, keep the radios where they are. just be aware that the feds have armed law enforcement with more reasons to open that rule of suspiction more in their favor. if you have a scanner in your car, and tell the cop "hey i just like listening in" he has the laditude to use his own judgement in the situation. in a state like tenn. or texas, where everyone is related to each other, your not going to quote 1st,2nd,4th ammendment rights and scare him.

Doug, N0LKK <dougy@ruraltel.net> wrote in article
<34ABE653.6754@ruraltel.net>...
> Good Lord,
> Whatever happen to "REASONABLE" Suspicition?? . By that logic I better
> pull put the 2M mobile out of the pickup and leave the HT's home in the
> closet.
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> --
> 73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
> near Plainville, KS
> dougy@ruraltel.net
> ==========
> DANO wrote:
> >
> > in the federal laws..it is against the the law to use a scanner or 2way
> > radio to break, bend or even elude the laws of any city, county or
state.
> > so, lets say you have one of those scanners thats called the bear
tracker,
> > and your speeding thru tenn. the warning light goes off and you slow
> > down...well, tenn highway patrol have vehicle extenders tied into
their
> > cruisers, and thats what the beartracker picks up on. you have a
unmarked

> > hw patrol unit two cars behind you and he keys his radio to say
something,
> > and you hit your brakes. after he pulls you over, he sees the scanner,
and
> > knows thats what warned you, he can arrest you on the spot.
> > in short, the states have started adapting laws making any
scanners,
> > radar/lazer detectors and cell phones illegal to have hooked up in your
> > car..so my advise, keep the scanner at home, and the cop that pulls you
> > over wont asume your a drug dealer, and go thru your car looking for
any
> > thing he can find.
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>

454. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68qlbt$6g8$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182437
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34B07C11.678E@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Of the ones unwilling to upgrade to
>general, every single one of the more than one hundred no/slow-code hams
>cited the 13wpm Morse code test as their single reason for not upgrading.

Uh-huh. The "I'm a beautiful person. I have more important things to do
with my time than take a test." syndrome.

>What I would like to see is a leveling
>of that playing field so that imminently qualified potential HF hams
>are not barred from participation by obsolete regulations.

Well Cecil, using this logic they shouldn't even have to take theory
exams, since 1) they are already technical geniuses, and 2) all the
electronics theory on amateur exams is obsolete anyway (SSB, RTTY, etc.)

So, my solution would be just to send you a stack of licenses and a vending
machine. You can stick them down in the cafeteria, and when all the geniuses
take a twinkie break, they can spend their leftover 35 cents from their
candybar purchase on an amateur ticket.

>Most of the guys responding to my company's internal survey say,
>"I just don't want to waste my precious time learning something useless
>to me."

What is the next aspect of amateur radio they are going to find "useless"?
Public service? Helping out other hams? These people don't sound like very
good hams. Part of being a ham is part self-sacrifice to help others. It
doesn't sound like this prima-donnas are interested in that at all.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

455. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68qln7$6h8$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182438

In article <68ptvg$2be@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>Sorry Mike, the numbers I posted reflected the net change over
>the past 12 months (not just one month). For the record
>here they are again and, in fact, only the EXTRA and No-Code
>Tech saw growth. The Advanced, General and Coded Tech
>all saw a net decrease. Additionally, the net increase in
>total hams is only 7582 (not 30K as you state.

This is in direct contridiction to FCC license data contained at
http://www.speroni.com/FCC, which lists the number of licensed
amateurs at 678k in Dec 97, up from 645K in Dec 96. Furthermore,
the "licenses by class" breakdown shows that the number of licenses
in all categories (even Novice!) increased from Dec of last year
to date.

>Thanks to the W5YI report,

Given Maia's financial interests, I doubt the credibility of anything
with his name attached to it.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

456. Re: Mobile monitoring of police radio laws

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd19d4$0a4cac00$011871ce@default>
Source record: 182439

SORRY DEPUTY DOG, THE LAWS IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE CHANGED SINCE YOU BEEN ON PATROL.
with the passing of three federal acts in the past ten years, state and local police have an upper hand on what was " a federal " matter". they now have the backing and support of the regional F.B.I.,DEA. and ATF offices to act in the interest of those agencys. if your caught with drugs on you, and you have a car phone on your person, you get handed over to the feds who now charge you with a felony, even if the drugs you were carrying only carry a slap on the hands on the local level.
THE SIMPLE FACT IS, IF YOU WANT TO CARRY A SCANNER, PAGER, CAR PHONE IN TODAYS ENVIROMENT, YOU HAVE BETER SHOW MORE THAN "INTEREST". now maybe i'm being a little extreme in my views, but with a brother in the mass state police for 14yrs, i would submit that people cant hide behind "individual rights" anymore.

457. Re: Code Free Access to HF? - Not in Your Lifetime

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68r5l2lgg1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182440

In article <68ghsblns1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) wrote:
>>>Well I guess the old Excusses arent working anymore so now they will
>>>try
>>some other Lame Excuse
>>
>>
>>Why not do us all a favor and work on your spelling, capitalization, and
>>grammar instead?
>>
>>"Where's that big 'Ol CB RAMBO?"
>>"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
>
>Typical.
>
>You can't answer a question, so you resort to attacking someone's writing
>skills. I suppose you probably even have a college degree, so that makes you a
>better person. Therefore, a less educated person isn't entitled to an opinion
>because they can't construct perfect sentence.

You probably don't have a college degree, so that makes you a lesser person in your mind, you are inferior to the educated ham, even though he or she may actually be a "No-Code Tech". Your jealousy is showing through. I don't care how well you can do CW, if you don't understand how and why that radio works, you shouldn't be using it. In your opinion because I choose to not do CW, I shouldn't have a radio either.....

458. Re: Attitudes Of Hams When Advice Is Requested

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884022416.1605107715@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182441
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

MailfrmPA wrote:

> The fact that you own a computer, and I own a computer, does not make me your
> reference librarian.

> I'm surprised at the willingness of some questioners to trot out their
> ignorance for all to see!
>
> K�MB
> Ignorant of many things,
> and possessor of a library card

Dear K0MB,

You might use that library card to find a copy of "The Amateur Code"
by Paul Segal. You seem especially ignorant about the parts where
it talks about "considerate", "helpful", and similar topics.

If you don't like some of the "ignorant" questions you see, then
simply ignore them. It is not necessary for you to post patronizing
and sarcastic answers to demonstrate your "superior" knowledge and
bad manners.

73, de Hans, K0HB

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

459. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Xsubmarine@airnet.netY
Message-ID: <34b0bff7.27561587@news.airnet.net>
Source record: 182442

On 4 Jan 1998 03:38:17 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>I'm sitting here, listening to this chaotic group of old farts jam, annoy, cuss
>out, and basically attempt to make life miserable for each other. A perfect
>example of what's wrong with amateur radio today. Prime ammunition for Rep.
>Billy Tauzin and others who wish to kill the hobby and turn it over to
>commercial interests in exchange for campaign $$$$$.
>
>I give amateur radio another 5 years...10 at the most. Stick a fork in
>it...it's done!
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
You tell 'em Rich!

460. Re: Help Tchad contact

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884022642.1591345156@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182443

In article <68lks3$9tv@freenet-news.carleton.ca>,
am033@FreeNet.Carleton.CA (Robert J. Guttentag) wrote:
>
>
> I would like to communicate with a Peace Corps Volunteer currently
> stationed in Tchad (Chad) Africa. Is there a directory which lists
> amateur radio operators by geographic location? Would appreciate any help.
> Thank you.
> Bob
> rjg@pop.tiac.net

Try "www.qrz.com" on the web.

I must warn you that there are *very* few amateur radio stations in
Chad. In over 35 years on the air, I have contacted less than 20
stations there.

Hans

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

461. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b12443.138589485@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182444
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 5 Jan 1998 00:37:03 GMT, "George Abide" <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:

>> The sounders of old made a click-clack sound on key-down/key-up ... it
>> was the duration of the space between the click and the clack that
>determined
>> whether a dit or dah was being sent.
>>
>> Carl - wa6vse
>
>Thanks Carl. I also remember reading something about POWs in North Vietnam
>using a tapping system to communicate. Maybe they didn't use dahs, or could
>say everything with e, i, s, h and 5. They could also send "disregard, I
>made a mistake" (8 dits, right Bill?)

Generally they used the Prisoner's Code. That puts the alphabet in a 5x5
matrix (I and J share a spot), and is sent by tapping out the row and column
for the character. So A is tap <pause> tap, B is tap tap <pause> tap, F is
tap <pause> tap tap, etc.

To send Morse by tapping, you need two distinctive taps, one for element
start and the other for element end. Telegraph sounders gave you that.
Key down made a click sound and key up made a clack sound. That way
you could determine element timing and thus determine what was sent.
With just clicks, you couldn't tell a dit from an intraelement space.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

462. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68r8g3$h6t$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182445
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.policy Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

> Heck, for that matter, I doubt many engineers at Yeasu, Icom, or
> Kenwood, Japan Radio, or the other Amateur radio companies, waste time
> learning code (or even get a ham radio license) today. It is certainly
> not necessary for their career, even when designing Amateur radios.

> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio sets
can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore. The designers don't have
a clue of what it is all about --- they may have the brains and the fancy
Ph.D's, EE's or whatever, but they can't seem to manage good QSK, compared
to the Ten-Tec crew at a practical level. I have always wondered why......

Bob/NA4G

463. C.I.C 10X

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Ralph C. Noll" <rcnoll@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <68raui$2gk@sjx-ixn9.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182446

Swing your antennas to Oxnard, Ca and swap 10-10 numbers on the CHANNEL ISLANDS CHAPTER 10X INTERNATIONAL, Net is on 28.340mhz, every Wednesday. UTC time is 18:00-20:00 again at 02:00-04:00. P.S.T is 10am-12noon again at 6pm-8pm. Join the fun and receive new 10X numbers. Nonmembers are most welcome. For info e-mail rcnoll@ix.netcom.com. 73

464. Alinco DJ-S11T external antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: dunhaver@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <dunhaver-0501981142060001@160.205.130.131>
Source record: 182447
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I recently acquired the mini-transceiver and am very happy with it; however,
I would like to find a way to couple in an external antenna - anyone had
any thoughts
on this? I'm not anxious to open this little unit up and make mods, but
perhaps someone has toyed with it.
With the low power mode this would be a great help in some situations.

Steve
dunhaver@hotmail.com

465. kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Nick <xinisglf@acropolis.net>
Message-ID: <68rd6t$o0k$1@ulysses.noc.ntua.gr>
Source record: 182448

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i want to buy one TS-50
do you recomend this !!!???

thanks DE SV1DKN
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466. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: George Abide <gabide@pclink.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1a13$e599bac0$bb010bce@default>
Source record: 182449
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> To send Morse by tapping, you need two distinctive taps, one for element
> start and the other for element end. Telegraph sounders gave you that.
>
Maybe a dit could be a tap, and a dah could be a "scrape" on the pipe. I
was able to send "CQ" on my desktop just now with a metal ruler that way.

Hope I never have to test it under "field" conditions HI HI

George

467. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884031563.2022965251@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182450

In article <01bd1971$91906480$a6010bce@default>,
"George Abide" <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:

> I also remember reading something about POWs in North Vietnam
> using a tapping system to communicate. Maybe they didn't use dahs, or could
> say everything with e, i, s, h and 5. They could also send "disregard, I
> made a mistake" (8 dits, right Bill?)

The code used at Hanoi Hilton (and other such places) was not Morse,
but a 5x5 grid in which 25 letters of the alphabet (I don't recall
which one they left out) were sent by identifying their position
(row x column) in two set of taps. To illustrate:

abcde
fghij
klmno
pqrst
uvwxy

To send the letter "k" you would tap three times for "third row" and
then tap once for "first column". (The above example assumes "Z" was
not in their grid, but I don't recall if that was the missing letter.)

73, de Hans, K0HB
Cam-Rahn Bay, '65, '66

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468. IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f1ae3f915a3f1a9989937@news.planet.net>
Source record: 182451
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

SOS distress signal era ends

LONDON, Jan. 1 (UPI) _ The Morse code distress signal SOS is now officially history, but not before a 13,000 ton Bahamas-registered ship used
it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.

The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped worldwide at midnight.

The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26 when its cargo of wood shifted in storm-force winds and it lost all engine
power
Wednesday.

The ship tapped out Morse code's final SOS and the signals were picked up in Britain and passed to the Falmouth coastguard. The Coast Guard initially
considered the message a joke signaling the end of an era.

Guard spokesman Gerry Wood said, ``We haven't had a Morse distress message for years. It was almost too perfect.''

But he said they reacted knowing ``someone was in distress... as nobody ever sends an SOS signal as an exercise.''

Ship signals are now dispatched by modern satellite voice and computer communication.

The Morse code system dates back to 1908 when British and German radio operators agreed to use the SOS message.

The letters were chosen because they are simple to tap out in Morse code: dot-dot-dot-dash-dash-dash-dot-dot-dot.

Wednesday's message from the Oak said only ``SOS. SOS. This is Oak. Position 53 16 N, 24 59 W. Stop engine. We need assistance.''

British Coast Guard officials report the ship has been abandoned and the nearest ship is some 400 miles away. But the Oak's crew and captain are reportedly aboard lifeboats.

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http://www.planet.net/adell

Live from Panarama Land 2000

469. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b145c3.2650760@news.total.net>
Source record: 182452
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 5 Jan 1998 18:24:03 GMT, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys"
<rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote:

>You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio sets
>can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore.

> The designers don't have
>a clue of what it is all about

of course they don't have a clue. It's no longer (relatively))
famous and effective way of communication in today's standards.

_____
Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

470. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884033335.2096300033@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182453

Comparing Amateur Radio to the internet,
cute@radiotelephone.net.ham wrote:

> The internet is much faster and efficient. There are more people on
> the internet than the ham radio.

That is a meaningless comparison. Amateur Radio and the internet do not have equivalent functions, just as television and daily printed newspapers to not have equivalent functions. There are more people watching TV than are reading newspapers, but newspapers continue to thrive.

73, de Hans, K0HB

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Hark, I have hurled my words to all the corners of
the earth. What King of old could do thus?
~~~

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471. Re: A MESSAGE ABOUT NO-CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b14326.1981351@news.total.net>
Source record: 182454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Mon, 05 Jan 1998 05:57:48 -0500, Dwight Stewart
<stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

> Morse code is no longer NEEDED to operate an HF radio. It is a hobby,
>not an operational requirement. Therefore it should not be a
>requirement on the test.

agreed.

> The Amateur Radio Service is the only radio service that still has a
>Morse code requirement to obtain a license. The military, government,
>public service, and commercial stations, can all obtain an HF license
>without a Morse code requirement. Heck, even CB radio operators use an
>HF band without a Morse requirement.

agreed again.

> Amateur radio is the only area where Morse is still heavily used.
>Again, the military, government, public service, and commercial
>stations, have all given up on Morse as a primary means of
>communications (for that matter, most of these have given up on Morse as
>a means of communications period).
>
> The Department of Defense does not even require its Amateur MARS
>operators to know Morse before using the HF bands (MARS operators can
>use the MARS HF Bands with only a Technician class license).

agreed again !! that's right, morse is not a requirement for HF
(except amateur) and many people have ability to use HF and to use it
responsibly without knowing morse. that's right. removing morse
from amateur should create a same result.

> As for Morse being a fall-back means of communications in times of
>disaster, if necessary I can use a computer to send/receive Morse
>without knowing a single bit of code myself (if there is power to
>operate my radio, there is power to operate my laptop).

and how often this disaster happens ?? if this kinda disaster
happens, electricity will go off so you can't use your radio anyway...
and no one will allow you to get into someone's car and make his
battery dead by using your radio...

> And it is nonsense to suggest that the Amateur HF bands will go to
>hell in a handbasket if Morse code is dropped.
> The military,
>government, public service, and commercial stations, frequencies have

>not gone to hell in a handbasket because the Morse requirement was
>dropped.

agreed completely. in fact, there was same kinda argument for
no-code license (created for above 30 MHz) that all VHF and UHF would
become disaster. it didn't happen.

> The CB band is the way it is because there is no license requirement
>(and therefore no accountability). The lack of Morse had nothing to do
>with the CB band going bad (because it never was a requirement for the
>CB band, even before the band went bad).

agreed !!

> The Amateur radio bands will stay clean as long as the Amateur radio
> community polices itself,
> the FCC strongly enforces the rules, there is
>a license requirement that keeps Hams accountable, and there is a
>ligitimate test that keeps out all but the serious radio hobbyist.

> Yes, there should definately be a test to obtain an Amateur license.
>But that test should evolve as the Amateur radio service evolves. Morse
>was once an important part of Amateur radio. That is no longer true
>today. The test should reflect that change.

CB radio is now even dying. Many of channels in Montreal area are
underused. I hardly hear anything on the channels. Wel... I pick
up something each 10 minutes or so while I scan, but that's it. I
am sure ham radio will follow the same way. The radio in general is
no longer (relatively) efficient, cheap and effective way of
communication.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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472. Need good Novice/Tech test manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: ryan@REMOVETHISpoboxes.com
Message-ID: <34b1415d.207534727@news>
Source record: 182455

Hello. I need a good tech/novice study book for my father. I have a copy of Now Your Talking, but it is about 2 years old and the question pool has changed. Can anyone recommend a good substitute? Is there a copy of this book with the current questions? Radio Shack has stopped carrying this series. They now have the Gordon West books, which are good if you know the theory and just need to learn the questions, but no good at all for someone who is not technical. If you cn recommend a good study book please email me. Thank you.

Ryan

ryan at poboxes dot com

473. Re: TS-440 Intermittent problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R0501981202440001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 182456

In article <34B04BD1.4294@innocent.com>, Kevin Alfred Strom
<kevin.strom@innocent.com> wrote:

>Certain TS440's, before a certain serial number, have a problem with the
>potting compound covering the VCO components becoming conductive and
>corrosive with age.

Any idea what that serial number range is?

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

474. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B15162.6EA8@ibm.net>
Source record: 182457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:

>....a 3000 ton Bahamas-registered ship
> used
> it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.
>
> The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped
> worldwide at midnight.
>
> The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26
> when its cargo of wood shifted in storm-force winds and it lost all
> engine
> power
> Wednesday.
>
> The ship tapped out Morse code's final SOS and the signals were picked
> up in Britain and passed to the Falmouth coastguard. The Coast Guard
> initially
> considered the message a joke signaling the end of an era.
>
> Guard spokesman Gerry Wood said, ``We haven't had a Morse distress
> message for years. It was almost too perfect.''
>
> But he said they reacted knowing ``someone was in distress... as nobody
> ever sends an SOS signal as an exercise.''
>
> Ship signals are now dispatched by modern satellite voice and computer
> communication.
>
> The Morse code system dates back to 1908 when British and German radio
> operators agreed to use the SOS message.
>
> The letters were chosen because they are simple to tap out in Morse
> code: dot-dot-dot-dash-dash-dash-dot-dot-dot.
>
> Wednesday's message from the Oak said only ``SOS. SOS. This is Oak.
> Position 53 16 N, 24 59 W. Stop engine. We need assistance.''
>
> British Coast Guard officials report the ship has been abandoned and the
> nearest ship is some 400 miles away. But the Oak's crew and captain are
> reportedly aboard lifeboats.

But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate? Clover
should have worked (provided someone else who also had Clover

capabilities had made an appointment for the emergency qso). RTTY should have worked. Or packet. Heck, the message would have made it that distance within 3-4 days, provided there were with VHF range of a packet station. Or satellite or voice or something...why did they have to use CW to get saved??? Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?

Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.

KR4AJ

475. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Glenn <glennmiller@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68rkhf$t6h@mtinsc05.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182458

> Part 97 does not specify testing procedures. 97.503 as you say does require the
> applicant be able to copy by ear code at a given speed, but the means of
> determining that is left strictly up to the examining VE's and their VEC

You're absolutely right. But the fact remains that a CW sending test ALONE cannot rationally satisfy the requirement to "copy by ear" (which was the question posed in the original post).

Glenn, AA5PK

476. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: faunt@netcom15.netcom.com
Message-ID: <FAUNT.98Jan5140934@netcom15.netcom.com>
Source record: 182459
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

If a web page will help, here's one with the Prisoners Code.
http://web.idirect.com/~rburnet/codes.html

73, doug

477. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68rlrm$7jh$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182460
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <68r176kcg1@arctic.discover.net>,
Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:

>I'm an inactive no-coder, digital modes was all I got a license for in the
>first place. The only time I ever used voice was driving to / from work or to
>use the local phone-patch. The current AM / FM / SSB modes are waste of
>spectrum....I personally think "contesting" and "paper chasing" are a waste
>of time and spectrum, and should be banned. But it keeps the magazines going...

Welp, there you have it:

1) contesting and "paper chasing" should be 'banned' because they are a waste
of spectrum and time,
2) CW is a waste of spectrum

thus

3) CW should be banned too.

(of course, the poster wouldn't come right out and say that, because it would
cause too much of an uproar.)

I wonder what would happen to amateur radio if everyone was able to "ban"
the aspects of the hobby they personally don't happen to like?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

478. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Duncan Courts <duncan@hameldown.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <9u2zZOA7DWs0EwM5@hameldown.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182461
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34B15162.6EA8@ibm.net>, Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net>
writes
>
>Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
>
>KR4AJ

No, the whole point of the anti-code movement is NOT to ban the
use of CW, as it is undoubtedly a good weak-signal mode, but
simply NOT to have it as an arbitrary limit to HF access for
amateurs.
I have no problem with using CW, its REQUIRING CW for
something that doesn't need it that I have the problem with!

Duncan.

479. Computer interference

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: George <kilowatt@jadeinc.com>
Message-ID: <gfes.7$sZ1.105444@reader1.cleveland.iagnet.net>
Source record: 182462

Anybody have any good suggestions on how to get ride of interference from a computer monitor, it drives me crazy when I'm on ten meters.

480. Re: Chevy Venture & 2 Meters?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: David Christensen <n9wil@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B168D6.1DD2959B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182463

I don't know what 70 watts will do, but 50 is fine on 6m, 2m, and 440. The sheet metal seems a little thin so you have to back up the mount if you use anything bigger than a quarter wave. I have one antenna mounted to the roof rack and another thru the roof.
I honestly haven't warmed up to the Venture yet. I had a Lumina APV for 7 1/2 years and hated to get rid of it. The Venture has many refinements which I guess I'll learn to appreciate. Looked at the Chrysler/Dodge/Plymouth line but found them to be very cheaply made under the surface. Never been a fan of Ford's so I don't know about them. Mileage on the venture is ok, and may improve as it gets broken in. The Lumina averaged 22 around town, the Venture is running 18-19.

Hope that helps,
N9WIL

481. Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kc7vho@qsl.net
Message-ID: <68rr54$cid@faile.nidlink.com>
Source record: 182464

I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10 meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx series? If you have any info on galaxy radios please email me and thanks for your time and help 73 Kc7vho

482. End of an era

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Robert Dixon <robert.dixon@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980105232118697 42@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 182465

Following is posted for info of anyone out there who may have sailed deepsea and used the services of UK Coast Radio stations in years gone by:-

It's Hogmanay morning, 31st December 1997, and Radio Officer Bob Baker at Stonehaven Radio/GND (the control station for the United Kingdom Coast radio station service) is alerted by the sound of an automatic alarm signal on 500kHz. Of course the whole world knows that Morse is outdated and never used for distress purposes nowadays - which Coast Radio Station might this be, about to relay a distress broadcast? Bob waited for the DDD SOS signal, which would have indicated the relay of a distress message, only to hear dit-dit-dit dah-dah-dah-dit-dit-dit - this was no relay, this was no drill, this was the real thing.

Bob received the SOS call from MV OAK/C6MX8 on the Landsend Radio/GLD receiver, acknowledged receipt to the ship and then, with his colleagues at the radio station, set about the routine of alerting other shipping and the shore rescue authorities and coordinated the distress communications on 500kHz.

Since 1901 the callsign GLD had been heard on air and had carried on a 24-hour listening watch for shipping in distress since that year. Today, 31st December 1997, was the last day of that watch - but GLD was in action again!

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At 312348z December 1997 Graham Mercer, Radio Officer at Portpatrick Radio/GPK, (Radio Amateur callsign GM4BES) set the ball rolling for the closure of the United Kingdom's 500kHz Morse Telegraphy service with a final broadcast on 500kHz. Graham tells us,
"I have to admit that my hand was shakier than it was during any SOS situations that I have handled over the last 29 years from GPK! .... A VERY SAD occasion indeed."

"My broadcast was brief, as there were other closure broadcasts from GKR, GCC and GLD to follow mine (in that order) ...The whole lot was scheduled to be concluded by midnight. In the event, the response to the first broadcast from GPK, almost occupied the entire time slot!.... Responses first from EJM (specially resurrected on 500Khz for the occasion by RO Finbar {EI0CF}) ... followed by EAC, OST, EAO, SAA, SPE, OXZ, IAR, VCM, GKR, GCC, GLD and others...."

Graham's closing broadcast had stated,
"in 1844 QTC nr1 fm Samuel Morse was what had God wrought?"

"all R/O's now ken the answer to this"

Wick Radio/GKR's closure message (a long one!) was aptly
despatched by Tom McLennan (retired Radio Officer) with his very
distinctive fist with the subsequent communications being shared by
serving Radio Officer Tony fell.

Cullercoats Radio/GCC's Final broadcast was a poetic Geordie dittie
... sent by Bob Baker at GND (the same man who had been receiving the
SOS call earlier in the day) who was remotely controlling the GCC equipment.

Not to be outdone in the poetry stakes, Landsend Radio/GLD's final
broadcast, sent by the steady fist of David Nancarrow, Radio Officer,
(Amateur Radio callsign G3RID), included the text,
"but now the time has come,
ours is not to reason why,
the satellites are calling,
our morse transmissions die."
The broadcast ended with,
"Marconi, if you can hear us, we salute you"

Prior to the final broadcasts, at Landsend serving Radio Officer John
Chappell (Amateur Radio calsign G3XRJ) had been busy dealing media
coverage and interviews recording the end of a proud service. Many
members of GLD's staff, past and present, were also on hand to
witness the event and the same was true at Stonehaven/GND. At
Portpatrick retired Radio Officer Peter Howe joined Graham for the
occasion and, as already reported, at Wick Tom McLennan not only
attended but put his fist "on air" for a final time.

Several faxes were later received by the closing stations, from
ex-seagoing R/Os, who had taken the trouble to listen to the closure
broadcasts, and expressed their thanks for the work of the service
over the years.

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The callsign GLD first came on air in 1901 from Lizard Radio,
transferrng to Landsend Radio in 1913, and is probably one of the
most famous Coast Radio Station callsigns in the world. The code
LEFO in a radiotelegram (meaning Lands End for orders) may have been
a simple instruction to a ship to head for the UK, but for Radio
Officers worldwide it meant listening out for GLD's signals. Over
the passing years GLD has been a link, in peacetime and at war, for
countless mariners from all over the world. The station has a long
history of being there to help seafarers.

Portpatrick Radio first came on air in 1905 as a part-time Admiralty
station with the callsign BYS. In 1921, following a collision and
sinking in which over 30 lives were lost at a time when the radio
station was off watch, a rapid change of command took place and
Portpatrick came under GPO control maintaining 24 hour watch and with
a callsign change to GPK. It was GPK which received the first SOS

of the 2nd World War, when the steamer Athenia/GFDM was sunk by a torpedo on the first day of hostilities. It was also GPK which carried out the distress communications with the railway steamer Princess Victoria/GZMN on the day it sank with large loss of life - listening to the ship's drowning Radio Officer apologizing for his poor Morse Code as he reported that the ship was "on beam end".

Wick Radio was another Admiralty station, opening around 1907 under the callsign BYG. The station transferred to the GPO in 1920 when the callsign GKR came into use. At the northern extremity of the UK mainland, GKR has been involved in many distress incidents involving ships voyaging some of the world's most inhospitable waters. The station was also a main link for the UK's deepsea trawler fleet, with a Morse Telegraphy service on HF keeping them in touch with the fleets at their fishing ground off Norway, Spitzbergen, the White Sea and Bear Island, Iceland, Greenland and Newfoundland.

Cullercoats Radio/GCC commenced life in 1906, built by the Amalgamated Radio Telegraph Company. In 1909 ownership transferred to the Poulsen Company of Denmark and in 1912 the station came under GPO control.

Some historical information on the UK Coast Radio Station service is being constructed at:-
http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/rdixon/crs.htm

Today Cullercoats, Landsend, Portpatrick and Wick continue in operation as part of the UK's radiotelephony Coast Radio Station network, along with the stations at Stonehaven, Humber and Hebrides. Cullercoats, Niton and Portpatrick provide the UK's Navtex service. And the last bastion of Morse Code in the UK is Portishead Radio/GKA, operating on the maritime HF bands.

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The UK's 500kHz Morse Telegraphy service finally closed in the early hours of 1st january 1998 with a last exchange between GLD and GPK:-

GLD de GPK
73 David, lets hope GMDSS is as gud
73 de GPK +

GPK de GLD
ok, gud luck Graham +
GLD nw QRT

483. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B16E51.3C8D@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182466

Lets look at a couple of cases.

First was in 1964, Anchorage Alaska. Major Earthquake.
Only communicaqtions in or out for a few days was Ham Radio.

Mexico City, 1989. Major earthquake. A voice net operated on
20 meters (14 mhz) from San Diego to Mexico City. Purpose of
the net was to coordinate what medical supplies/personnel
needed to help the victims.

Now, take away ham radio, depend on the internet (and telephone lines)
and let a major quake hit anchorage .. or Mexico City .. what gets
handled will be via internber .. sure hope those quakes don't disrupt
telephone service.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

484. Re: Help Tchad contact

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Joel Stanley <jstanley@sun.science.wayne.edu>
Message-ID: <34B17225.EE086DCA@sun.science.wayne.edu>
Source record: 182467

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:

> In article <68lks3$9tv@freenet-news.carleton.ca>,
> am033@FreeNet.Carleton.CA (Robert J. Guttentag) wrote:
> > I would like to communicate with a Peace Corps Volunteer currently
> > stationed in Tchad (Chad) Africa. Is there a directory which lists
> > amateur radio operators by geographic location? Would appreciate any > > help.
> > Thank you.
> > Bob
> > rjg@pop.tiac.net

> Try "www.qrz.com" on the web.
> I must warn you that there are *very* few amateur radio stations in
> Chad. In over 35 years on the air, I have contacted less than 20
> stations there.

Don't forget to check the third party rules for Tchad!

KC8DQH

485. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8AK@abc.def.ghj
Message-ID: <34b16acd.2335575@news.online.no>
Source record: 182468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 23:10:47 -0800, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Tony Hwang wrote:
>> I never bother with anyone who does not like code.
>
>Do you have a wife (or girlfriend) who likes code? :-)
>
is it any available statistics for how many girls/wifes has started
morse training and finished it when they got to where they wished...?

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Tel.+47-380-87178

486. 90s vocabulary

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104224014.29016A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182469

Bill Sohl said: "I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him
to interface with people..."

Interface with people? Dang, Bill - is that like intercourse except
you use your face?

Hey MD, make sure you practice safe interface - we don't want you getting
acne...

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

487. Re: 12wpm code = 8 baud

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104224750.29016B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182470

8 baud? That's interesting.

Kind of scary that some folks would complain about taking a test
in which their brains would only have to function at 1/5000 the
speed of their modem.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

488. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104230405.29016C-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182471

Karl wrote: The fact that the ARRL membership on only about 25%
of US hams is proof enough of their lies..."

The point of my article went *way* over your head, Karl. Your buddy,
CB Bimbo, wanted to know why the ARRL represented itself as the
voice of amateur radio. I showed him just the opposite is true - the
FCC looks to the ARRL as our voice.

In a like manner, Congress, and the population in general, view the NRA as
the voice of all gun owners; would you care to guess just how many gun
owners are members of the NRA? 1%? 0.1%?? (Don't forget the drug dealers
and other criminals are "gun owners.") Tomorrow I'll check with
the library and attempt to get the actual figures for you.

When the government considers an organization as a representative
of a certain body of people, the numbers make no difference at all.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

P.S. In my original post I made an error: In 1914 the League
established the very first transcontinental wire-less communications
network. This was one year *before* the transcontinental telephone
system was established. Thus it was the hams, under the leadership
of the ARRL, who first tied all the states together for almost
instantaneous communication.

489. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "David R. Ballentine" <XXXballendr@westol.com>
Message-ID: <34B1709F.1A88E354@westol.com>
Source record: 182472
Cross-posted to: bit.listserv.c370-l,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.lang.c

Richard Krehbiel wrote:
<<<=== lots of hard work snipped ===>>>

About the only thing I think you missed is the possibility that the orginal Morse was in "American Morse" (telegraphers) as oppose to International Morse (radio amateurs). Things must be really slow over the holdiays, huh???

Wow!, I know I would never put that much effort into a post, unless I made it an assignment in a course <g>.

Dave

490. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B16FE5.3043@icss.net>
Source record: 182473
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
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big snip

> What is the next aspect of amateur radio they are going to find "useless"?
> Public service? Helping out other hams? These people don't sound like very
> good hams. Part of being a ham is part self-sacrifice to help others. It
> doesn't sound like this prima-donnas are interested in that at all.
>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

You think? Then why are so many codeless hams pulling duty as the
officers of their local clubs? Running walk/bikathon communications?
Running Severe Weather Nets? Teaching classes to prospective hams?
Getting CPR training to club members? Is it because they want a free
ride? No, its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
in to retirement.
73, Brian/N0iMD

491. WT Trade-TS-830S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: lorenaudio@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <883976343.186580997@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hello, I have a Knwd. TS-830S in very good condition with manual and box. I Also have a MFJ 929E tuner, and about 80ft. of rg-8 coax. Also, I have a Compaq notebook computer (486/25) which I'll admit isn't the fastest thing, but it does quite nicely on packet, rtty, cw, etc. It has a fair amount of ham software on it, and a lot of other electronics programs. I would like to trade the two for a nice computer system which has good graphics and audio capabilities. Any offers are much appreciated. Thank you, and good day. Loren Coty KB2WYL lorenauduio@hotmail.com

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

492. WTB: Heathkit Linear

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Nansen <talltexan@nwinfo.net>
Message-ID: <34B1975C.E86FD12C@nwinfo.net>
Source record: 182475

Am looking for a Heathkit linear amp.

John

493. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B1973A.5A4@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Lumpy - ABï¿½GD wrote:
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> Doug, N0LKK wrote:
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> > I can't fault the newly licensed Tech's. They received damn little
> > encouragement from the established Amateur community and much worse
> > nothing from the ARRL.
>
> Lumpy writes:
> When I was a newly licensed tech, I got plenty of help from both the
> established amateur community and the ARRL. Classes, VE testing etc
> are all from the established amateur community. These are all gratis
> by the VE testers and class instructors. There is rarely a new tech
> who does not utilize VE testing.
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> When i first 'tech'd' the ARRL sent me several free publications,
> software etc. As well as maintains an absolutely free website where
> new tech's can get tons of information. All of this without even
> joining.
>
> I'm not sure what you mean by damn little encouragement.???
>
> Lumpy
>
> Careful, Lumpy....you'll knock the props out from under one of the mainline No-Coder's arguments--that us oldtimer "OF's" are most unfriendly, unheplful sorts. Another smokescreen from the No-Code Agenda. I think most new hams who really try to integrate themselves into the hoby and into local activity find it just as you did. And I know the ARRL is very helpful, but of course you must inquire of them for them to help, they won't know you need help otherwise. Some No-Code techs are, after all, PHD's.

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't Get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!!***

494. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68s9g9$dkd@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182477

In article <19980104213301.QAA04406@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

> Hey, if someone passes the test, obtains a license, and purchases a radio, they
> have the right (within legal parameters, of course) to use that radio any way
> they see fit.

No, they don't have a RIGHT to do anything. They have a priviledge to use
the radio in accordance with the rules and common operating proceedures
of the service in which they are using it. Example: I have have a ham license.
That ham license doesn't give me the right to hit you on the head with my
VHF radio, although, at this point, I think that might be a good use for a VHF
radio.

As Mike mentioned, most hams understand that the autopatch on a VHF or UHF
repeater is there for a) emergency calls and b) once in a while other calls and
is not a replacment for a cell phone. Most people with ham licenses that shoud
have little yellow FRS radios instead don't understand that. Thus the conflict.

> Depends on what your idea of "helping" them is. If it includes criticizing
> their operating procedure, trying to shove Morse code down their throats, or
> telling them that they're not "real hams" because they haven't submitted to the
> Morse hazing ritual, then yes, I can see where they would not want to be
> "helped."

You must be new here, Rambo. Squiggy and Lenny have been boring us to
death for years with 'shove it down their throats' and 'hazing rituals'. Be a
breath of fresh air. Get creative. Be just a tiny bit original.

>After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out mechanical
>noises on a brass key...and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on
>receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order to
>communicate around the world? Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their
>pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less) can purchase a used Pentium
>computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions,

That's an extremely easy question to answer. Two part answer.

1. The magic of radio. I won't explain that to you Rambo, and I don't expect
you to understand it.

2. Any idiot can buy a computer and sign up with an ISP and communicate around
the world (see rec.radio.amateur.ANYTHING for proof). I can put a piece of
wire up in a tree and communicate around the world, no commercial power, no ISP
required. Most people can't do that, so it makes me feel I accomplished
something. Plus I enjoy doing it. It's fun.

>Maybe it's time to pay
>our final respects to "the old girl" and lie her to rest, gracefully, before
>the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.

We have though about it. Obviously you have too. I have also thought about
shooting my wife in the head instead of letting the invading armies ravage her.

Let me ask you a question, Big Ole Tough Talking CB Rambo, and we'll all
get to see if you have what it takes to live up to your little signature box.
Talk tough, tell us the truth, so we can see just how tough you really are.

Queston: If the 'old girl' was to die tommorrow, how will that make you feel,
and why ?

73, Jim KH2D

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495. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68sah3$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>You think? Then why are so many codeless hams pulling duty as the
>officers of their local clubs? Running walk/bikathon communications?
>Running Severe Weather Nets? Teaching classes to prospective hams?
>Getting CPR training to club members? Is it because they want a free
>ride? No, its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
>free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
>in to retirement.
>73, Brian/N0iMD

Hi Brian. The 'codeless' hams in your old club aren't pulling any duty.
The only thing they are pulling is in their pants..... Most of them can't
even spell public service, more less do it. But now their favorite toy
is broken, and we aren't going to fix it for them anymore, so we'll see
how long it takes until all the HT's are in the closet with a dead battery.

73, Jim KH2D

496. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68sb8q$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182479
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

sco@mindspring.com (SCO) wrote:

>No one ever said there should not be any CW in the future ...

That's right Leslie. You only said there shouldn't be any CW in YOUR future, you never said there shouldn't be any CW in someone elses.

73, Jim KH2D

497. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68sbg6$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182480

Kc7vho@qsl.net (Kc7vho) wrote:

>I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10
>meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods
>for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter
>radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone
>help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx
>series? If you have any info on galaxy radios please
>email me and thanks for your time and help 73 Kc7vho

What kind of 'mods' are you looking for ?

73, Jim KH2D

498. Re: Computer interference

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68sbmt$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182481

"George " <kilowatt@jadeinc.com> wrote:

>Anybody have any good suggestions on how to get ride of interference from a
>computer monitor, it drives me crazy when I'm on ten meters.

George, monitor noise can be a tuff one to get rid of. Usually, the noise is
being picked up by the antenna. Radio Shack has some snap on cores that
you can try over the monitor cables, I've had luck in some cases with them,
but on some monitors had to use more than one. Don't know what kind of
antenna you are using, but hopefully it is fed with coax. If you can't get rid
of the noise in the house, try moving the antenna as far away as possible.

73, Jim KH2D

499. Wanted HF QRP rig for remote island operation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Neil & Marsha Robin <nrobin@aa.net>
Message-ID: <34B1C420.60C2@aa.net>
Source record: 182482

Looking for a small 5 watt or less SSB transceiver that can be used on a
remote island in Central America. Low power is needed because of
limited solar recharge capability.
Thanks, Neil WA7NBF
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So much to do....so little time. http://www.aa.net/~nrobin/index.htm

500. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: George Abide <gabide@pclink.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1971$91906480$a6010bce@default>
Source record: 182485
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> The sounders of old made a click-clack sound on key-down/key-up ... it
> was the duration of the space between the click and the clack that
determined
> whether a dit or dah was being sent.
>
> Carl - wa6vse

Thanks Carl. I also remember reading something about POWs in North Vietnam using a tapping system to communicate. Maybe they didn't use dahs, or could say everything with e, i, s, h and 5. They could also send "disregard, I made a mistake" (8 dits, right Bill?)

;-)

George
>

501. Put a short-wave converter in your car for under $125

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: worldwave@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b02def.17665234@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182486
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

go to http://worldwave.home.mindspring.com for details.

502. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1972$eb09dc20$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182487
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<68oo16$5cb$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:
>
> > I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him to
> > interface with people that haven't been educated with
> > English as their primary language. With the attitude
> > shown above, I'd sure not want MD on any global
> > venture undertaking I'm involved with.
>
> Political correctness at its finest.
>
[snipped Mikey's reply to Bill]
>
> In article <01bd1922$4f4d7260$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >I guess they believe that the way to "foster international goodwill"
> >is by being arrogant assholes and insulting people from different
> >cultures
>
> I wouldn't know about being an arrogant asshole or insulting people, Carl.

Sure you would Mikey ... *you* ARE the master ...

> > ... come to think of it, that's exactly how I treat
> >any ham who's technical knowledge is not "up to my standards of excellence,"
> >too ...

And Mikey has bee forging "quotes from Carl" again ... my post actually
read:

Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
They are the types who give US hams a bad reputation as rude and
arrogant.

I guess they believe that the way to "foster international goodwill"
is by being arrogant assholes and insulting people from different
cultures because their English is not "up to their standards of
excellence" ... come to think of it, that's exactly how they treat
any ham who's code speed is not "up to their standards of excellence,"
too ...

> Yes, we know.

The whole world knows you're a damned liar Mike ... anyone who doubts the veracity of my post is invited to check Deja News ... Mike is a forger and a liar. (in addition to being an arrogant asshole) Period.

--
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help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

503. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1976$8157eb60$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182488

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<68p304$5js$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <19980104184800.NAA15241@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
> Peter Maus <petermaus@aol.com> wrote:
>
> >What is coming out of all this debate, is that the code requirement for
access
> >to the ham bands is a roadblock to the 'elite'.
>
> Hello Peter,

As usual, Mikey lies and distorts virtually everything I've said (and invents
things that I never did say and attributes them to me ...).

[misc. Mikey bullshit lies deleted for brevity]

> Stevenson and his prima-donnas fail to recognize that there are two
> parts to amateur radio. There is the technical aspect, which is very
> important.

Talk about hypocrisy ... this from Mikey "UPS/FedEx shipping skills are
more important to hams than technical knowledge so they can ship their
rice-boxes back to the factory for repair."

> However, it is less important today than 20 years ago.

Where in Part 97 does it say that Mikey? That is what nincompoops like
you would LIKE everyone to believe, since you're obviously a technical
idiot of the worst sort, but whether YOU like it or not, ham radio is
still SUPPOSED to be a primarily technical service.

> Electronic circuits, with custom manufacturered, non-documented ICs,
> are more difficult to design and engineer these days than the typical
> tube rig the average ham built for his shack 30 years ago.

That is absurd. Today's IC technology makes it easier than ever to build
an entire radio (using 1-4 ICs total, plus a few passives). The fact that
so many of today's hams are appliance-operating techno-idiots like Mikey
who don't care enough about radio to develop the necessary skills is sad
and very dangerous to the future survival of ham radio.

> Equally, perhaps even more important, is the art of communication.

Give us a break, Mikey ... Morse is certainly nowhere near "the state of
the art" in communications, it has been abandoned by all other services,
is virtually never used for public service/emergency communications any
more, etc.

To assert, as you seem to be doing, that because Morse requires conditioning
in a Pavlovian response ("skill" seems an overly generous term) that it
is "art" is pretty lame.

While I agree that emergency/public service communications are important,
it us totally dishonest (a trait you seem thoroughly steeped in) for you
to imply that Morse has any importance in that venue.

> Let's look at things another way: which is more likely to be remembered
> by people: 1) that a ham created new technology which ultimately was
> engineered into your cell phone, or 2) that hams were able to assist
> in your local disaster communications during the last hurricane?

Probably b), but that has virtually NOTHING to do with Morse ... because
Morse is virtually universally NOT used in those scenarios any more.
The hundreds of hours per operator wasted on forced/coerced learning of
seldom/never used Morse "skills" that no EMS agency wants any more would
be FAR better spent becoming technically competent and preparing for some
realistic disaster scenarios with a realistic complement of modern, reliable,
redundant equipment.

> Technical knowledge is important, for competence. In-depth technical
> knowledge at the engineering level is no longer required in amateur radio.
> Instead, ability to communicate effectively is the important skill.
> Remember: image is everything. When all people see are the "public service"
> aspects of our hobby, its those elements we have to impress them with.
> They're not going to know (or care) that some IC in their cell phone was
> engineered by a ham operator.

Yes, and when they see the limitations of OOK Morse relative to the modern
forms of communications with which the general public is quite familiar, they
will think "Where the hell did THIS dimwitted bunch of old FOOLS come from?"

--
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504. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1977$234d19e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182489
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote in article
<34AFFD22.2BF6@scan.missouri.org>...
> W6RCA wrote:>
> > The CW testing requirement may drive The Communicator toward the internet.
> > It simply keeps some experimenters away from ham radio because learning
> > Morse code is perceived to be an obsolete requirement and not worth the
> > effort by a large number of experimenters.
> >
> Would you care to show data indicating that "large numbers" of
> experimenters kepy away from ham radio by CW versus the numbers of those
> actively and fully involved in ham radio *AND* experimenting?
>
> I think you are attempting to tilt the playing field in the direction
> of your personal biases. There are many engineer/experimenters who hold
> Extra class licenses-fully code tested- and disagree completely with
> your assesment.

But as one who has worked in the RF engineering field for over 25 years,
I can tell you that there are FAR MORE who DID NOT become hams at all
SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THE OUTDATED MORSE TEST AND THE ATTITUDES OF JERKS
LIKE YOU, DICK.

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505. Re: Attitudes of hams when advice is requested

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104164728.5535B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182490

When one asks a question, it's important to guide the person to the proper reference text. Once in the text, he'll usually discover much more than he was initially looking for, and will know where to look when he has future questions. Why duplicate info contained in texts onto here?

Also, antenna queries are supposed to be asked on the .antenna news-group. We created such speciality NGs to help reduce the traffic on this NG (his antenna question probably generated at least 25 responses here).

Also, his question involved very elementary theory he was suppose to have learned in studying for his license. He later admitted he didn't know the answer to his question because he had only memorized the answers to the license exam. With an attitude such as that, you shouldn't be surprised at the remarks his query generated.

Finally, he's been a pest on this NG for quite some time. Cry "wolf" enough times and folks begin to detest the crier's presence.

I hope that explains the responses you saw to his antenna question.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

506. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1977$e60f31c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182491

Jeffy's assertion is absurd ... the ARRL is a minority organization
that falsely represents itself as "the representative of all US hams."

The fact that ARRL membership is only about 25% of US hams is
proof enough of their lies. That many, many "members" such as
myself are dissenters who have reluctantly kept membership only
so we could "keep an eye on the shenanigans" and avoid the classic
"if you're not a member you have no right to complain about league
policies" argument.

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507. Re: One thing I have to be thankful for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105020501.VAA13080@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182492

>There is one thing I have to be thankful for, in this code/nocode
>debate. I find that many, probably most, amateurs who enter the hobby
>via the nocode licences, eventually, in terms of months not years, do
>get the cw endorsement.

I have noticed that the newly upgrade, cw tested amatuer, is filled with a
pride of accomplishment and personal satisfaction that the no-code faction must
find abhorrant! It would be wrong to remove the cw requirement, and thereby
deprive the deserving of this pleasure!

K�MB

508. Wanted Kenwood TH79a & IC229H Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: ap572@FreeNet.Carleton.CA
Message-ID: <68pfh7$t1o@freenet-news.carleton.ca>
Source record: 182493

I am looking for the operations manual and the shop manual for the
Kenwood dual band handy TH79A and the Icom 2 meter mobile IC 229H

Can you help?

Bing
VE3CDQ
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____
B.H.

509. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: eclaudin@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105032101.WAA24201@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182494

>>Incidently, for those who will
>>undoubtedly ask... I never did get my ham
>>license.
>
>Now HERE'S a qualified voice to comment on ham radio issues.

And I suppose by that same logic, you'd require he put a bullet in his head to be qualified to answer a suicide hotline?

Its easy to take a single line or two out of context to make a point. However, absent address of the entire argument, the point is less than compelling.

510. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: wyatt6gun@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105033300.WAA25924@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182495

>Subject: The League *is* amateur radio

Spoken like a true ARRL goon with Net Mentality!

511. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cf4bc2.27617314@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182496
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"George Abide" <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:

>> The sounders of old made a click-clack sound on key-down/key-up ... it
>> was the duration of the space between the click and the clack that
>determined
>> whether a dit or dah was being sent.
>>
>> Carl - wa6vse
>
>Thanks Carl. I also remember reading something about POWs in North Vietnam
>using a tapping system to communicate. Maybe they didn't use dahs, or could
>say everything with e, i, s, h and 5. They could also send "disregard, I
>made a mistake" (8 dits, right Bill?)

As I understand it, they didn't use any form of Morse at all, but used
something called the "prisoner's code." How this works I haven't a
clue, since I've never been in prison. <g>
--
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http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

512. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34ce4a06.27172953@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182497

jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) wrote:

>CB Bimbo wrote: "ARRL is the self-proclaimed voice of amateur radio
>and represents itself to the FCC as such," and continues, "Where's
>that fat ol' CB Bimbo?"
>
>
>You've got that a bit skewed, Bimbo. Since 1914 the government has
>known that it can reach a considerable number of US hams by going
>through the ARRL.
>
>It was the League that united the nation's hams; prior to the ARRL,
>the various ham clubs across the country were isolated and worked
>independently of each other.
>
>It was the League that set up the *very* first coast-to-coast radio
>relay network (remember, there were no commercial radio broadcasts
>at this time - only the continental telephone system existed). This
>proved to the government just how valuable the League was for national
>communications. As a result, the government awarded the League the
>use of 425m for this national trunk-line system. (Remember, hams
>were banned to wavelengths below 200m in 1912).
>
>Another very important example: When the US was forced to join the
>WWI hostilities, the Navy desperately needed hundreds of radio operators
>immediately. The Navy turned to the ARRL and asked for help; the ARRL
>put out the call, and within 10 days 2500 hams volunteered as military
>ops. Next, the Navy found itself dangerouly short of radio equipment,
>and asked the ARRL to help supply ham gear from the better stations
>belonging to the League trunk-lines. (At that time, many hams ran
>superior gear than that of the Navy and commercial stations.) The
>equipment was immediately donated. League officers left the ARRL
>to become military radio instructors: Clarence Tuska, League secretary,
>was place in charge of the Army Air Corps radio training; Edwin
>Armstrong was placed in charge of the Signal Corps' Radio Lab
>at Paris, France.

So far, so good.

Since WW II, however, hams have become pretty much irrelevant to the
needs of government, and are becoming more so every day.

>There are hundreds more examples I could provide, Bimbo, of why
>the government believes the ARRL and amateur radio are synonymous.
>Of course, you're too blinded by some hostility or ignorance to see the

>larger picture.

What the government and the ARRL may believe does not necessarily equate to the facts, however. Many hams feel (with good reason, I believe) that the ARRL does not represent the wishes and needs of Ham Radio and individual hams nearly as well as it did decades ago. The ARRL has turned into a bloated, wealthy bureaucracy which seems more intent on perpetuating itself and consolidating its power than it does in representing the best interests of the hobby.

Of course, there is no real alternative, so it behooves the rank and file amateur to find some way of kicking them out of their rut and getting them more involved in moving the hobby into the new millennium.

Also, if you're not a member of the League, you have no standing to complain about it.
--
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http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

513. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105040801.XAA01012@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182498

In article <01bd1977$234d19e0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

>But as one who has worked in the RF engineering field for over 25 years,
I
>can tell you that there are FAR MORE who DID NOT become hams at all
SOLELY ON
>THE BASIS OF THE OUTDATED MORSE TEST AND THE ATTITUDES OF JERKS
LIKE YOU,
>DICK.

Carl:

You seem to be a lot more agitiated than usual, lately. What's
up, man -- something personal?

73 de Larry, K3LT
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514. EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: mrcoach58@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105042100.XAA05458@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182499

HOW WOULD LIKE TO GET A LETTER FROM THE FCC SAYING YOUR 20WPM CODE TEST YOU TOOK A YEAR AGO WAS NO GOOD I DID..... I FOUND OUT THRU A PAL WHO KNEW PEOPLE IN HIGH PLACES FOUND OUT I WAS ONE OF MANY WHO HAD TO BE RETESTED BECAUSE THE VE TEAM WAS UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR I HEARD WHO KNOWS .. ALL I KNOW IS I HAD A MONTH TO RETAKE MY CW TEST AFTER NOT TOUCHING CW FOR A YEAR AND SINCE I WAS A VE FOR THE ARRL I HAD TO TAKE THE TEST AT A W5YI TEST SESSION... I KNOW PEOPLE THAT I KNEW WERE WONDERING IF I DID CHEAT ON MY CW . I WORKED SAT AND SUNDAY WITH SUPER MORSE RETOOK THE TEST ON MONDAY AND PASSED AGAIN SO I THINK I SHOULD GET THE EXTRA PLUS HA HA. I ONLY USE CW TO WORK A RARE DX CONTACT OR PLAYAROUND IN A CONTEST.I GOT TO TELL YOU I HAD TO CALL W5YI SO MANY TIMES I COULDNT GET ANY ANSWERS FROM THE ARRL AND GETTING THROUGH TO THE FCC TO GET ANSWERS WAS ABOUT 20 DOLLARS OF LONG DISTANCE CALLS THAT WAS A WASTE. ANYBODY WHO IS A VE BE VERY CAREFUL 1 BAD APPLE CAN SPOIL THE BUNCH .I HOPE THIS NEVER HAPPENS TO YOU - -... ...-- N2HT@JUNO.COM HAPPY NEW YEAR .....PS IN THE LETTER FROM THE FCC IT SAID MY CW TEST WAS IN QUESTION ITS NIGHTMARE NO MATTER WHAT ABOUT ALL THE PEOPLE I WAS A VE FOR THE PAST YEAR WOULD THEY HAVE TO RETAKE THERE TEST??????????????????????

515. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105045800.XAA10308@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182500

In article <34B07A11.57CE@lni.net>, Al <daclark@lni.net> writes:

>> Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's
>fine.
> Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Just
>one more cb'er from the chicken band clucking!
Al

And one who will be laughing like hell when your hobby finally collapses from within and ceases to exist as you know it.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

516. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105045800.XAA07825@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182501

In article <19980105042100.XAA05458@ladder01.news.aol.com>, mrcoach58@aol.com (MRCOACH58) writes:

>HOW WOULD LIKE TO GET A LETTER FROM THE FCC SAYING YOUR 20WPM CODE TEST
>YOU
TOOK A YEAR AGO WAS NO GOOD I DID

Do what everyone else does. Hire a lawyer and sue, sue, sue. It's the American way.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

517. Re: CAT for Yaesu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: tenorman@i1.net
Message-ID: <68pr3blun1@news1.i1.net>
Source record: 182502

Best program I've seen for the Yaesu rigs! I'll have to buy this thing, the
demo kicks butt! Nice job Laurent!!! 73, Mike...WQ0N

In article <68o7e7$h2o$1@news.internetsat.com>, "Laurent LABOURIE"
<llabourie@nordnet.fr> wrote:
>Bellow information about specific softwares for Yaesu:
>
>Soft990 MS-DOS for FT990/890/840/900/920/1000MP
>
>FT-Manager Windows 95/NT for FT990/890/840/920/900/1000MP
>
>Both software are featured with :
>
>.. real time monitoring
>.. short wave data base
>.. band scope
>.. DX-Cluster (Soft990 only)
>.. Web Cluster (FT-Manager only)
>.. Memory manager
>
>To see at :
>
>http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/f6dex
>
>

518. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105054201.AAA15559@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182503

In article <626895929-980104121200@privates.org>, mark.keefer@privates.org
(Mark Keefer) writes:

>HAM radio is here for anybody who wants to learn. It is not to difficult
>for
anybody who wants it. The hobby is not dieing, in fact I hear new HAMs
>everyday
and we are running out of call signs.

We ARE?? Hmmm...what exactly do you base this statement on?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

519. HELP 1998 RRTY Test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steve <n8nyu@provide.net>
Message-ID: <34B0722C.7D84263@provide.net>
Source record: 182504

First time I have ever worked a RTTY contest. I am confused as to the point's count.
On ARRL's page, it says:
1: QSO Points Count one point for each completed QSO.
2: Multipliers Each US state (except KH6 and KL7), each VE province plus VE8 and VY1) and each DXCC country.
KH6 and KL7 count only as separate DXCC countries.

Say I worked a total of 56 station's. Of this, 38 were different states and 6 were Canadian station's with no contact's outside the US. What formula do I use?

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http://www.provide.net/~n8nyu

520. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68ptds$2ak@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>> This is exactly why businesses
>> hire talented bilingual employees or pay major dollars for an outside
>> translation company -- to avoid potential misunderstandings due to language
>> barriers.

Michael,
The amount of USA global involvement today far surpasses the
ability to just have enough talented bilingual employees or
hiring major $$$ translators. We must cooperatively work
with people from other countries and it is our job to understand
and get along. If we don't, the competition will.

When I work with someone who doesn't have English as their primary
language, I don't need to have them capable of writing the
great American novel, I just need to be able to understand
their comments, ideas, etc... even if that isn't in the most
eloquent or perfect usage of English.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

521. Amateur Radio: Elmers List Info and Administrivia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: pschleck@novia.net
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/elmers/README-1-883980706@novia.net>
Source record: 182506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info,rec.answers,news.answers

Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3 (Perl 5.004)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/elmers/README
Posting-Frequency: posted on the first Monday of each month
URL: http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/elmers/

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Elmers List Formatting Standards

In order to standardize the Internet resource notation used in this Directory, I've decided to adopt Uniform Resource Locator (URL) format throughout. In addition to being a straightforward, human-readable, format for specifying File Transfer Protocol (FTP) archives, Gopher and World-Wide Web (WWW) servers, and Usenet newsgroups, it is also amenable to formatting as hypertext links in Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). For example, users viewing this document at designated World-Wide Web Servers (see "How may I obtain the latest copy of the Elmers List?" below) will see all URL's converted to hypertext links on their WWW client. Rather than fumbling with the various conventions of FTP, Gopher, WWW, and Usenet News software, the document or directory referenced by a hypertext link is but one mouse-click (or key-click) away.

While I'm happy to incorporate the latest and most popular information-formatting standards into the documents that I maintain, I really can't allow myself to be dragged into the role of a WWW help-desk for all of the Internet. Please understand this when I

politely refer you to other Elmers, easily-obtainable on-line documentation, or even local expertise such as resident gurus, consultants, or help-desks at your school, company, or information service provider.

The URL format is easily mapped into human FTP, Telnet, Gopher, and Usenet News reader commands. For example:

ftp://ftp.cs.buffalo.edu/pub/ham-radio/README

Anonymous FTP to ftp.cs.buffalo.edu and get the file README under the /pub/ham-radio directory.

gopher://oes1.oes.ca.gov:5555/

Access the Gopher root page at oes1.oes.ca.gov via non-standard port 5555 (if the standard Gopher port of 70 was used, the ":5555" part would be replaced by ":70" or most likely not appear at all).

telnet://callsign.cs.buffalo.edu:2000/

Initiate a Telnet (remote terminal) session with callsign.cs.buffalo.edu via non-standard port 2000 (if the standard Telnet port of 23 was used, the ":2000" part would be replaced by ":23" or most likely not appear at all).

news:rec.radio.info

Access the rec.radio.info newsgroup on your Usenet newsreader from your local news server.

URL's that start with:

http:

Are only accessible via WWW client software or "browsers".

For more information about URL formats, see:

http://www.w3.org/hypertext/WWW/Addressing/Addressing.html

Disclaimer: While I have personally confirmed the accuracy of all URL's through the Lynx WWW client, any referenced documents external to this document are subject to future changes beyond my control. In addition, with networks and their administration being what it is, many services with up-to-date URL's may be temporarily unreachable. Please consult with your local gurus, consulting staff, or help-desk to confirm that it's a non-local problem, then ask the Elmer him or herself (me in the case of URL's which appear outside of individual entries). The currency and accuracy of URL's should be at least no worse than that of the Elmers entries themselves (which are each individually confirmed by me every 2 years, and updated within 1 month on request of the Elmer).

A Brief Historical Overview

If there is any one constant in the changing state of the communications art, it is that "Hams" (Amateur Radio Operators) have always been on the forefront of it. Rumors abound where the term "Ham" came from. Some of the more amusing are described in the list of Frequently Asked Questions for this newsgroup.

Regardless of origin of the name, a "Ham" is universally recognizable as one who experiments in radio and communications.

Whether it be constructing a low-power CW radio with vacuum tubes, or designing TCP/IP packet networks, such experimentation has historically spilled over into the mainstream such as was the case with Howard Armstrong, who developed the regenerative oscillator and FM radio, or General Curtis E. LeMay (K0GRL, W6EZV) who was instrumental in making Single-Sideband the communications standard for the Strategic Air Command (1946-1992, now reorganized into a joint command called USSTRATCOM) and eventually the U.S. Air Force. Although packet-switching techniques originated from DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency) and the ARPANet, no one can deny the tremendous influence that amateurs, including those within TAPR (Tucson Amateur Packet Radio), have had in demonstrating the viability of TCP/IP and AX.25 communications via radio links. The efforts of AMSAT (the Amateur Satellite Corporation), including the development of many ham satellites and the low-orbiting Microsats (communications satellites no bigger than a breadbox that use store-and-forward packet techniques), have certainly advanced the state-of-the-art in communications, one of the defined purposes of the Amateur Radio Service, as recognized by international treaty.

What is an Elmer?

Since in many cases hams are writing "the book", there is often no "book" or other established reference for a beginner to refer to. Traditionally, information has been passed on from ham to ham via word-of-mouth. Like many of the traditional crafts, a variation of the Master-Apprentice system has emerged, the Elmer-Novice relationship. Called "Elmers" because they are usually older and wiser, having the benefit of many years in the hobby, including several failed projects, and an electric shock or two, they have traditionally been the mainstay of amateur radio, and the source of many new hams, particularly those interested in working on emerging technologies.

Even more importantly, Elmers provided an outlet for the impatient newcomer who wanted "to know everything, and right away." Faced with such a request, a good Elmer will smile and proceed to lead the novice through some project or operating experience. Several hours, days, or weeks later, the novice would have his answers, but would have earned them. Even better, the sense of accomplishment would boost the novice's confidence and nudge him or her down the road to being a model, experienced ham operator.

Many present hams feel that such an experience is missing today. In today's hustle-bustle world, the response to such natural curiosity and desire to learn is, more often than not, "I'm too busy" or "RTFM." As a result, the quality of new hams declines and the knowledge and operating habits they develop in their first formative months and years leave much to be desired. And the very same hams who claim that they "can't understand the new generation" also, in almost the same breath, lament about the "decline of amateur radio."

What is an Elmer Today?

An Elmer today is of any age, male or female, who has some expertise and is willing to share it with beginners. Elmers don't even need to be licensed amateurs, just people with knowledge in some area of electronics or communications technology.

How do I become an Internet Elmer?

With the ever-widening scope of the Internet, the amateur radio newsgroups on Usenet, and now the World-Wide Web, the potential for Elmers to share their knowledge to a wide audience has never been greater. To that end, I maintain a list of such Elmers. Volunteers may register via my formatted, on-line, World-Wide Web Registration Form:

http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/elmers/register.html

I would prefer that you register using the above form (which not only ensures that nothing is omitted, but also makes adding your entry much easier by automatically converting it to HTML). However, volunteers who are not yet on the Web are also quite welcome, and may register by writing me at elmers-request@novia.net with their name, amateur radio callsign(s) (if any), E-mail address, and area(s) of expertise. URL-format pointers to resources they maintain, such as WWW home pages, FTP archives, mail servers, or mailing lists, would also be quite welcome. The list has gotten large enough that there should be plenty of suitable examples to model your entry after. If you need some further assistance formatting your entry, drop me a line and tell me a bit about yourself. Ironically, sometimes the best Elmers write to me saying, "I'm not an expert, but..."

I have set up an administrivia mailbox for correspondence related to this list (elmers-request@novia.net, the default Reply-To: of this message when posted to Usenet News). I would prefer that all such correspondence be directed to that address. In addition to saving it into a special folder, my incoming E-mail filter will also send you an automated return-receipt.

Also, an unfortunate increase in the amount of unsolicited junk-mail that I receive (often dozens of messages _every day_) has forced me to become much more ruthless about filtering incoming E-mail. While I can guarantee that I will read all mail sent to elmers-request before the next month's posting of the list, mail sent to pschleck may not only

not get reviewed for some time, my incoming mail filter (procmail) may even throw it away if it can't be automatically categorized as originating from known, friendly senders or have known, welcome keywords in the headers ("Elmer" is obviously one of those keywords).

Those desiring a more extensive list, or who need more specific assistance, are encouraged to contact Rosalie White, WA1STO, Educational Services Manager at the American Radio Relay League, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 or via electronic mail addressed to rwhite@arrl.org.

How may I obtain the latest copy of the Elmers List?

There are currently 6 ways of obtaining the Elmers List. Any site at least reachable by Internet E-mail can use the Mailing-List or Mail-Server options:

World-Wide Web (WWW):

This is the recommended method for accessing the Elmers list, as it allows this resource to be viewed as hypertext. The home site at www.novia.net features immediate updates each month, hypertext-linked subject and geographic indexes, keyword searching, and registration and feedback forms. The other two sites use automatically-converted versions of the Usenet news articles, but are still usable, particularly if you are outside North America. The site marked with an asterisk also offers Wide-Area Information Service (WAIS) index searching by keyword for all Usenet News FAQ's:

* http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/elmers/
* http://www.lib.ox.ac.uk/internet/news/faq/rec.radio.amateur.misc.html
* http://www.cs.ruu.nl/cgi-bin/faqwais *

(_Note:_ Because of maintenance problems - FAQ documents not being promptly updated in particular - the sites at Ohio State and Smart Pages are no longer recommended for accessing a current copy of the Elmers List and have been removed from the above list.)

see also the newsgroups under comp.infosystems.www.* (I haven't listed URL's for all of the newsgroups under this hierarchy as there are now about a dozen of them (!!!).)

Usenet News:

This was the original distribution medium for the Elmers list. It continues to be supported for users who cannot access the World-Wide Web. Since the document uses URL's throughout, the news article version may also be viewed as hypertext via some mail and news readers. The latest copy of the list can be found in the news articles with the Subjects of _"Amateur Radio: Elmers Resource Directory [A-*]," "Amateur Radio: Elmers Resource Directory [*-*],"_ and

"Amateur Radio Elmers Resource Directory [*-Z]" (The * represents a wildcard character, as the need to split the list evenly, as well as keep all parts under the 64K message limit for Usenet, requires that I adjust the split occasionally). Since the list is cross-posted to the following newsgroups:

* news:rec.radio.amateur.misc
* news:rec.radio.info
* news:rec.answers
* news:news.answers

on the first Monday of each month, with an expiration date 6 weeks into the future, there should always be a copy available at most news sites. Check your newsreader documentation for information about reading previously-read articles or articles that are "threaded" to this one. Also complain to your local news administrator (E-mail to "news" or "usenet" on your local host) if your local news server is configured to ignore Expires headers (and thus prematurely delete the articles) in worthwhile, mostly moderated, information newsgroups like those listed above.

Anonymous FTP:

If your site is directly connected to the Internet, you may retrieve the latest copy via File Transfer Protocol (FTP) from the following sites:

* ftp://ftp.novia.net/customers/pschleck/elmers/
* ftp://ftp.cs.buffalo.edu/pub/ham-radio/
* ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/
* ftp://ftp.uu.net/usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/

Internet Gopher:

The latest copy of the list should be available from the following Gopher sites:

* gopher://jupiter.sun.csd.unb.ca/
* gopher://gopher.univ-lyon1.fr/
* gopher://ftp.win.tue.nl/
* gopher://gopher.win.tue.nl/

see also news:comp.infosystems.gopher

Mailing-List:

Since the list is cross-posted to rec.radio.info, the latest copy may be obtained from the mailing-list gateway for that newsgroup (along with many other informational articles about radio) when it is published each month. To subscribe, send E-mail to:

listserv@ucsd.edu

and in the BODY (not the Subject) of the message, write:

subscribe radio-info

The server may not be able to determine your return address. In that case write:

subscribe radio-info (your E-mail address)

You should get an acknowledgement very shortly.

Mail-Server:

If you don't want to read through the entire gateway of rec.radio.info, or want a copy of the list right away, send E-mail to:

ftpmail@ftp.novia.net

and in the BODY (not the Subject) of the message, write:

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open
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/README
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/index/subject
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/index/geographic
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/list/part1
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/list/part2
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/list/part3
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/list/part4
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/list/part5
get /customers/pschleck/elmers/diff
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Alternatively, send E-mail to:

mail-server@rtfm.mit.edu

and in the BODY (not the Subject) of the message, write:

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send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/README
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/index/subject
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/index/geographic
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part1
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part2
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part3
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part4
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part5
send usenet/news.answers/radio/ham-radio/elmers/diff
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and the latest copy of the list should be sent to you E-mail within 24 hours (the mail-server uses batch priority to reduce system demand).

Acknowledgements

By using this resource, you are benefitting the net by obtaining assistance in the fastest and most efficient way possible. By volunteering to appear on this list, you are contributing to the good reputation of the radio-related newsgroups.

Thanks to all the volunteer Elmers, as well as courteous list users,
for making this service a success.

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73, Paul W. Schleck, K3FU
pschleck@novia.net (personal mail)
elmers-request@novia.net (Elmers List administrivia)

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522. Amateur Radio: Elmers List Geographic Quick-Search Index

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: pschleck@novia.net
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/elmers/index/geographic-1-883980713@novia.net>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info,rec.answers,news.answers

Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3 (Perl 5.004)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/elmers/index/geographic
Posting-Frequency: posted on the first Monday of each month
URL: http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/elmers/

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Amateur Radio: Elmers List Geographic Quick-Search Index

(_Note:_ This index only lists Elmers with explicit geographic
information in their entries.)

ARGENTINA

* Pozzi (Buenos Aires)

AUSTRALIA

* Davis, A
* Dawson (Sydney)
* Murnane (New South Wales)
* Parker (Canberra)

BELGIUM

* Aerts (Balen)

BRAZIL

* Reis (Ponta Negra Beach County)

CANADA

Alberta

* Johnston (Fort McMurray)

British Columbia

* Nerenberg (Prince George)
* Sawkins (Prince George)
* Seiler (Vernon)

Ontario

* Cooke (Orillia)
* DeWolf (Braeside)
* Legary (Maidstone)

* Neeson (Brockville)
* Pulfer (Kingston)

FINLAND

* Komppa (Nummela)
* Toijala

GERMANY

* Gapinski (Dettenheim)
* Lipscomb (Eifel Region)

ITALY

* Bertolino
* Caserta (Roccasecca)
* Di Mattia
* Zurn (Ispra)

JAMAICA

* Wilkinson

MEXICO

* Rodriguez

MOROCCO

* Boudda (Rabat)

NETHERLANDS, THE

* Bruinsma (Amsterdam)
* Reynolds (The Hague)
* van Vliet (Delft)

NEW ZEALAND

* Andrews, D
* Davis, S (Christchurch)

PHILIPPINES

* Duba (Malolos, Bulacan)

POLAND

* Matacz

PORTUGAL

* Pinheiro (Sao Miguel, Azores Islands)

RUSSIA

* Tynkov (Ulyanovsk)

SPAIN

* Vidal (Alcala de Henares, Madrid)

TURKEY

* Aydogmus, B (Izmir)
* Aydogmus, N (Izmir)

UNITED KINGDOM (UK)

* Boyce (West Midlands)
* Dalziel
* D'Arcy (Lincolnshire)
* Gilliver
* Lacy (Codsall, Wolverhampton)
* Pawson
* Turvey
* Williams (Aberdeen, Scotland)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)

Alabama

* Branch (Gunter AFB)
* Mello (Maxwell AFB)
* Roberson (Arab)

Alaska

* Preston (Anchorage)
* Stannard (Anchor Point/Homer)

Arizona

* Carruth (Tempe/Phoenix)
* Dodell
* Eade (Lake Havasu City)
* Jones (Tucson)
* Lloyd (Scottsdale)
* Meredith (Phoenix)
* Munsil (Yarnell)
* Redding, J (Tucson)
* Reeves (Prescott)
* Short (Tempe)
* Winkler (Phoenix)

Arkansas

* Gray (Searcy)
* Littleton (West Helena)

California

* Amith (Lemoore)
* Ammar (Monterey)

* Angus (Gardena/Los Angeles)
* Avnet (Fountain Valley)
* Been (Long Beach)
* Bourne (Orange)
* Boyd (Igo, Shasta County, Northern California)
* Bridges
* Choate (Crescent City)
* Cira (Los Angeles)
* Coffee (Torrance)
* Cushman (Huntington Beach)
* Douglas (Sacramento)
* Goldberg (Huntington Beach)
* Larson (Palo Alto)
* Lavin (Chatsworth)
* Lowman (San Bernardino)
* Luszcz (Palo Alto)
* Moell, A (Orange County)
* Myers (Lancaster)
* Richardson, G (Santa Barbara)
* Scholz (Cotati)
* Stillinger (Edwards AFB)
* Stocking (Monterey)
* Taubman (Belmont)
* Thompson (Lennox)
* Turner (Irvine)
* van De Kerk (Santa Ana)
* Wetzel (Orange)
* Wilkins (Berkeley)

Colorado

* Edinger (Arvada)
* Emm (Aurora)
* Huntting (Boulder)
* Knott (Colorado Springs)
* Kurtz (Arvada)
* Stafford (Palmer Lake)
* Witte

Connecticut

* Bloom (Newington)
* Carcia, J (Newington)
* Carcia, M (Newington)
* Cartier (Middletown)
* Hare (Newington)
* Jahnke (Newington)
* Lau (Newington)
* Tracy (Newington)

Delaware

* Hart (Bear)
* Waller (Laurel)

Florida

* Brown (Naples, Collier County)
* Browne (LaBelle)
* Croce (Holly Hill)
* Goldstein
* Kolb (Vero Beach, December through May)
* Redding, T (West Palm Beach)

Georgia

* Anthony (Sautee)
* Coffman (Lawrenceville/Atlanta)
* Harris (Marietta)
* Humphries (Atlanta)
* Veach (Lawrenceville)

Hawaii

* Buck (Kamuela, Big Island)

Idaho

* Morris (Post Falls)

Illinois

* Leynes (Chicago)
* Taylor (Mahomet/Urbana/Champaign)
* Thomas (Elgin)

Indiana

* Gutstadt (Bloomington)
* Miller (Richmond)

Kansas

* Calvert (Great Bend)

Kentucky

* Riddell (Irvine/Ravenna)

Louisiana

* Johansen (Metairie)
* Watters (Elm Grove)

Maine

* Scribner (Augusta)

Maryland

* Anderson (Frederick)
* Bauer (Silver Spring)
* Kincaid (St. Leonard)
* Nichols (Gaithersburg)
* Rosenfeld (Burtonsville)
* Stern (Crisfield)

Massachusetts

* Halbert (near Boston)
* Lacouture (Franklin)
* Langner (Chelmsford)
* Mann (Cambridge/MIT)
* Sefranek (Shirley)
* Vail (Billerica)

Michigan

* Dibble (Delton)
* Learned (Warren)

Minnesota

* Brakob (Plymouth)
* Stanley (Janesville)

Mississippi

* Richardson, H

Missouri

* Hornberger (St. Louis)
* Robinson

Nebraska

* Nickolaus (Sioux City)
* Schleck (Bellevue/Omaha)

New Hampshire

* Hennigan (Rindge)
* Seney (Manchester)

New Jersey

* Boccardi (North Brunswick)
* Placer (Oakland)
* Shuch (Little Ferry)
* Sohl, B (Budd Lake)
* Sproul, K (North Brunswick)
* Sproul, M (North Brunswick)
* Winward (Whitehouse Station)

New York

* Avery (Canandaigua)
* Eisenberg (Merrick)
* Hamilton (West Point)
* Morrissey (Jefferson)
* Thomson (Rifton/Kingston)

North Carolina

* Hammill (Raleigh)
* Henderson (Skyland, Western Part of State)
* Hockaday (Zebulon/Youngsvile)
* Nutter (Kitty Hawk, Dare County)
* Smith (Greensboro)

Ohio

* Ackermann (Dayton)
* Gunton (Dayton)
* Nugent (Beavercreek, near Dayton)
* Warth (Frankfort)

Oklahoma

* Brooks (Tulsa)
* Elmore

Oregon

* Hendershot (Grant's Pass)
* Mosher (Salem)
* Walsh (Eugene)

Pennsylvania

* Adams, I (Erie)
* Adams, J (Delmont)
* Colwell (Pittsburgh)
* Czaikowski (Lincoln University)
* de Volpi (New Cumberland)
* Gieszczykiewicz (Pittsburgh)
* Kelly (Philadelphia)
* Rymell (Muncy/Bloomsburg, Lycoming County)
* Springman (Cogan Station)

Rhode Island

* Bouthillier (Coventry)

South Carolina

* Cox

Tennessee

* Hill (Brentwood)
* Ornitz (Kingsport)

Texas

* Beech (Garland)
* Crenshaw (Rowlett)
* Danaher (Mesquite)
* Groom (Dallas)
* Hodgdon (Mesquite)
* Johnson, D (Azle)
* Maia (Dallas)
* Morgan (Temple)
* Paperman (Cut 'n Shoot)
* Patton (Comanche)
* Petri (Palestine)
* Rhea (Coppell)
* Shears (San Antonio)
* Sohl, R (Odessa and Alpine)

Utah

* Brubaker (Draper)
* DuBois (Springville)
* Schaefer (Sandy)
* Smith, D (Orem)

Vermont

* Ayers (Lyndonville)
* Crestohl (Cambridge)
* Stetson (Westford)

Virginia

* Chapman (Fredericksburg)
* Forman (Fredericksburg)
* Harper (Danville)
* Kolb (Hillsville, May through December)
* Marchant (Marshall)
* Sweeney (Roanoke)

Washington

* Kruml (Northeast King County)
* Pitts (Anacortes)
* Salnick (Spokane)

Wisconsin

* Twigger (Milwaukee)
* Witkowski (Stevens Point)

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523. Amateur Radio: Elmers Resource Directory [A-B]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: pschleck@novia.net
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part1-1-883980716@novia.net>
Source record: 182508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info,rec.answers,news.answers

Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3 (Perl 5.004)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/elmers/list/part1
Posting-Frequency: posted on the first Monday of each month
URL: http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/elmers/

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Amateur Radio: Elmers Resource Directory

More information about this list can be found in the companion posting
to this file, "Amateur Radio: Elmers List Info and Administrivia."

73, Paul, K3FU

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John Ackermann N8UR

jra@febo.com

http://www.febo.com/

My primary interests are in packet radio network building
(particularly higher speed stuff) and TCP/IP. I've got quite a lot of
info on using the Kantronics D4-10 19.2kB radios, as that's the
hardware we've been struggling with here.

I'm now working heavily with Linux, and help run a TNOS/Linux BBS, and
a Linux native-AX.25 switch. Although I'm not "the world's greatest
authority" on either, I'd be happy to help folks with questions to the
extent I can.

I've developed some experience with full-duplex packet repeaters. I've
built 2 19.2 repeaters, and am working on a 9600 Baud one now.

My World-Wide Web Page above has a reasonable set of resources for
digital networking, including HTML versions of some of my work, sample
configuration files for Linux AX.25, and some Linux software tools, as
well as the Ohio IP address coordination info.

I've just finished writing a book on TCP/IP that TAPR will publish
(hopefully) by the end of the year. It'll be called _Networking
Without Wires_ and is a completely rewritten, and greatly expanded,
version of the old _IntroNOS_ document I wrote several years ago. In
the meantime, I've made the old _IntroNOS_ available in HTML format on

my World-Wide Web Page above.

TAPR (Tucson Amateur Packet Radio) has formed a special interest group to discuss issues of regional packet networking (Net-SIG). As a result, the TAPR net-sig mailing list was born, and is now ready for operation.

This list is <not> intended to replace any of the existing packet-related mailing lists. Its purpose is provide a medium for communications among those interested in packet radio networking, both dealing with technical issues and political/regulatory ones. We'll discuss things like how the potential 219MHz band will fit into the networking picture, how to link areas using different networking schemes, how to set network parameters, etc. The list's charter will be posted there regularly.

The address of the list is net-sig@tapr.org and you can subscribe by sending mail to listserv@tapr.org with the text "join netsig".

Apart from subscribing to the list, you can contact me for further details about the Net-SIG (including upcoming conferences).

TAPR Vice President and Board Member

Joint ampr.org IP Coordinator for Ohio subnet (44.71.xxx.xxx)

Please direct all correspondence regarding the assignment of ampr.org IP numbers in Ohio to:

ipaddr@febo.com

which is a mailing list read by a team of coordinators.

[_Editor's note:_ All ampr.org coordinators are listed in the document at:

ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/amprnets

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ARRLWeb will serve as an essential Internet resource for active hams, carrying ARRL news, details on upcoming hamfests, conventions and Amateur Radio examinations, the ARRL Publications catalog, information of ARRL membership benefits and services, and more.

In inaugurating this new service, the League thanks Scott Ehrlich, WY1Z, and the other Boston Amateur Radio Club volunteers who've worked since December 1994 to keep ARRL up and coming on the Web via the ARRL home page they installed and maintained at oak.oakland.edu. Their volunteerism helped show us that upgrading our Internet connection to a level that allowed on-campus Web service would be essential to

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Well, I've been talking about it for years. Those of you that have talked with me via E-mail know that. But this time I've actually started on my rewrite of the callsign server at Buffalo. And I've finally got a design that I'm happy with. The new searching capabilities are going to be *much* improved over the current system. I'll be getting rid of the bugs in the current telnet system and making it available to more people. Also coming is a WWW front-end for web surfers. Time to step into the 90s.

Part of the rewrite is an entire reorganization of the database look-up system. The old system was very specific to the FCC database format because that's all that was available when it was written (yes, the server is very, very old). But now there are a number of databases floating around the net for different countries and I am rewriting the system to be more flexible and to accommodate a variety of formats and search types.

In doing so, I'll have the ability to add data for many more countries. That is, of course, if I have the data. In order to do this I need help. I need to get in touch with all people that have access to databases from countries other than the US. The more up-to-date these databases are, the better. If you have access to a database and would be willing to donate a copy to the callsign server for everyone to use, please contact me. A lot of people would genuinely appreciate it.

The callsign server has become remarkably popular on the net and this has happened because the community has contributed so much to it over the many years it's been running. I have heard stories of reunions with old classmates, stories of silent-keys that have been remembered, and stories from blind hams doing simple look-ups of other hams, all possible because of the server. Congratulations to the community for making this system so useful.

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I'm willing to act as a reference for anyone wanting info on getting tapes (especially Callsign tapes) from the Department of Commerce National Technical Information Service (NTIS) or wanting other info on callsign-project related stuff.

One of these days I'll actually be around for the un-net! I promise, really!

My job is currently System Administrator for a large UNIX site so I know a little bit about day-to-day UNIX operations and UNIX installation :-) I also have much experience with constructing E-mail paths that will work rather than bounce.

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I'm the webmaster for:

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(maybe soon www.saiu.it) and the FTP owner of:

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There's a /pub/ham directory there. There's not much at the moment but
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GRAPES 56 kBaud Packet Radio Modems

I'm not an official representative of the Georgia Radio Amateur Packet Enthusiasts Society (GRAPES), but I am in contact with them, and have experience using their 56 kBaud radio modems. At the very least, I can forward requests I can't handle to the proper people.

The Proceedings of the 6th Computer Networking Conference has a paper by WA4DSY explaining the theory and practice of the 56 kBaud radio modem. (I think it's the 6th, I don't have my copy handy.)

GRAPES furnishes instructions for modifying a TNC2 to drive the modem, but there are better solutions. The Ottawa PI card and the Gracilis PacketTwin card are two good solutions. Of course they are PC bus cards. If you need standalone capability, the Kantronics Data Engine can handle it, as can the incredible Gracilis PacketTen. PacComm claims their new Sprint TNC can, too (PacComm now also manufactures the Gracilis cards under license and you can get them either from them or from Gracilis direct).

WA4DSY has interfaced raw telco codecs to the modems and done "digital voice" while mobile. It works quite well.

If you want information on the RF modem (full document sets are $20 US, creditable towards a later order) write to GRAPES at

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GRAPES is a volunteer networking organization. There's no phone number, and turnaround on info requests may be slower than when dealing with commercial outfits. Please cut the volunteers a little slack.

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Maintainer of Link Communication List Server (Repeater Controllers):

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Only present users of Link Communication Products are welcome to join the list server. If you need information on Link Communications Products, contact them directly. Presently there are aprox 325 Members on the list server.

Maintainer of ACC List Server (Repeater Controllers):

http://www.engrng.pitt.edu/~rrc2/acc.html

The ACC list has approximately 300 members at this time. I am trying to restrict the list to only ACC users (control people) and owners. The list is also supported by the new owner of all the rights to ACC, Link Communications. I am also running the Link repeater controller list server. It has approximately 90 members at this time. The way to join the list server is to send me a short E-mail and tell me what equipment you are using. (Note: I have no ties to Link Communications or ACC. I started the Link list first and found how useful it is. I had a lot of requests to start the ACC list and did it.)

Greater Pittsburgh VHF Society (WA3BAK) World-Wide Web Page:

http://www.engrng.pitt.edu/~rrc2/vhfs.html

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The purpose of this list is to allow discussion about commercial
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* UK: soon to be announced

I'm looking for mirrors in other places, especially Australia. If you can help and have about 7 MB to spare, you can help us mirror the sci.electronics.repair FAQ by reading:

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What's here? A page of links (the Home Page), the TAPR Home Page, a page of Packet Pioneers and Contacts, a hypertext packet primer and FAQ, and more.

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containing (only) the word:

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During my business activity as a Systems Engineer with IBM, I have developed some expertise in PC's and have worked with the DOS, Windows and Windows 95 Operating Systems along with many Ham-related applications.

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* Antique Wireless Association (AWA)
* HF/DX
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Instrumentation

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Antenna Corrosion Protection

Chemistry advice related to Amateur Radio

(cleaning and refurbishing of antique/boatanchor equipment, corrosion, plating, PCB etching, disposal of wastes such as transformer oil, solvents and etching solutions, contact cleaners, toxic chemical exposure, chemical safety, paint, dielectric plastics, etc.)

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* ARES (District Emergency Coordinator)
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* RFI
* RF Safety
* Seminars/Lectures
* Volunteer Examiner (ARRL)

I have a large collection technical manuals. Copies are available for the cost of duplication and postage. THIS NOT A BUSINESS. It is done as a courtesy to those needing assistance.

I lecture and conduct workshops on the subject of ElectroMagnetic Interference, primarily related to problems encountered in the Clinical (Hospital) environment. This is a program based on papers of which I am the principal author published in journals related to Biomedical Engineering. Related to this activity, I have and use signature analysis equipment and, depending on area and time, am available to assist in location and identification of sources of severe interference to radio amateur activities.

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* CW
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* Field Day
* IBM PC's
* Volunteer Examiner

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ftp://ftp.simtel.net/pub/simtelnet/

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(simtel.net is a service mark of Walnut Creek CDROM)

Announcements regarding uploads to Simtel of amateur-radio-related software are cross-posted to:

news:rec.radio.info

[_Editor's Note:_ This outstanding archive collection, which incorporates much amateur-radio-related software, is listed here for completeness. However, as Keith gets about 200 E-mail messages a day, he strongly encourages self-sufficiency in the use of the archive. The above URL's contain several documents regarding how to download files from and upload files to this archive. There are also many other Elmers willing to answer beginning-level questions regarding accessing files via FTP and WWW. Consult the "INTERNET SERVICES" category in the Subject Quick-Search Index for a complete list.]

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* Power Supplies
* QRP
* VHF/UHF
* Volunteer Examiner

* VHF/UHF weak signal work
* Tube type radios

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* QRP
* Tuscon Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR)
* UNIX
* VHF
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Currently hold twice-weekly slow-speed CW net on 80M. Code practice is intended to help all increase speed and to just have some fun on the air.

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* CW
* Mobile

I'm a software engineer specializing in Macintosh development, and I've been a ham since 1982. I was first licensed at age 14, and I now hold an Extra class license. My expertise is in antenna-building and theory, CW (Morse Code), DXing, SWLing, and HF operating practices in general. I also operate mobile in a '96 Ford Ranger pickup. I'd be happy to help any new or aspiring amateur radio operators.

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* VHF

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* Antennas
* Batteries
* CW
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* Internet Services
* RFI

I have considerable experience in computers, some in packet, with an informal training in electronics. My background includes electronic surveillance countermeasures such as looking for interesting signals or wire connections with spectrum analyzers/receivers and TDR's, etc.

I'm not very active in operating, but have had a fair amount of experience when young.

I would prefer dealing with people in my local area, since many well-informed experts are available via the Internet.

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* Batteries
* Equipment Testing/Troubleshooting
* Homebrewing
* Mobile/Portable/Field Day
* Novice/Tech Instruction
* Power Supplies
* QRP
* RTTY

* Homebrew tube equipment, in general
* Homebrew transistorized receivers
* Homebrew QRP and QRO CW transmitters
* Old radio restoration
* Practical power generation at home and in the field
* (Triode type single ended audio amplifiers. Not really a ham
topic)
* Practical antennas and feedlines without the nonsense
* Getting on the air effectively without spending a "kilodollar"

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Educational Advisor to the American Radio Relay League

I specialize in developing growth in volunteer organizations and have published and made public presentations on this subject.

I have written and published training/educational curriculums for Novice, and Tech Plus amateur radio licenses. Of interest is the fact that amateurs licensed through my courses are very likely to upgrade as evidenced by the high number of hams in the Lawton, Oklahoma area that hold Extra Class licenses.

I organized and conducted a SAREX in southwest Oklahoma that involved over 3,000 students in 21 schools in seven cities of southwest Oklahoma. The SAREX consisted of an essay contest with the winners being able to ask questions of the astronauts while they orbited the earth. The live SAREX was broadcasts over the Lawton, Oklahoma Public School systems cable television to the public in southwest Oklahoma.

More recently I have been involved in securing building permits in Florida to put up amateur radio towers in this highly restrictive State.

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* Volunteer Examiner (ARRL VEC)

I no longer have the HAM BBS setup, however, I am here to help answer any questions about the subjects above or help a new person get started.

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I am very lucky in that I earn my living in radio communications, so my expertise is fairly broad (but not focused on amateur techniques only):

* Modulation types - FSK, PSK, MSK
* Error control - various types of ARQ and FEC systems
* RF - Antennas, HF propagation
* Networking - TCP/IP over HF
* Frequency bands: VLF, LF, HF, VHF, UHF, SHF

This is a very brief synopsis of the areas that I have dealt with over the years. I always enjoy discussing and researching a communications problem so if you don't see it listed above drop me a line anyway, especially if you happen to be in Europe.

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* Commercial Service Equipment
* HF/Contesting/DX
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* DSP
* EME
* Equipment Testing/Troubleshooting
* Homebrewing
* IBM PC's
* Internet Services
* LF
* 160 Meters
* Microwave
* Mobile/Portable/Field Day
* NTS
* Novice/Tech Instruction

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* Packet and Digital Networking
* Part-15 Broadcasting
* Power Supplies
* QRP
* QCWA
* RFI
* RTTY
* Repeaters
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* Seminars/Lectures
* ATV
* Towers
* VHF/UHF
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SBARC World-Wide Web Page:

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The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club is an educational non-profit 501c-3 corporation. It represents a membership of over 400 members, operates several VHF/UHF repeaters and a club station, provides the financial support to local ARES, and presents amateur radio classes and a follow on Elmers Program.

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* RTTY
* Chemical Safety
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I teach radio classes for new hams and primarily work with HF with special interest in DX and the digital modes.

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I am the Assistant Principal at Estill County High School in Irvine, KY and have been in the education business for the past 23 years. I enjoy helping people earn their ham radio license privileges. I have a test team with the WCARS group and have been testing for a good number of years. We have tested over 300 hams during the last three years.

I also have been in the repeater business since 1973 (146.820) and have held a ham license longer that any other resident of Estill County Kentucky. I am the fourth ham to be licensed in our community, the other three have either become Silent Keys or moved from our county. I am very proud to have held a ticket for almost thirty years. I hope through my experience with the local emergency team, I can also provide advice on EMS. I founded the local Rescue Squad in 1978 and am still President of the corporation. I was also the local DES Coordinator from 1977-1993.

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The Collins Collectors Association would like to invite those of you who have an interest in Collins Radio to subscribe to the now fully automated Collins Reflector. This service is sponsored by the CCA and is provided at no charge to Collins enthusiasts.

There is an FAQ which will hopefully be sent to each new subscriber when they "sign on." If you would like one and don't get it, drop me an E-mail at my address above.

There may be a few initial bumps and glitches at first but we hope those of you who choose to participate will enjoy it.

As of 1/6/97, the Collins Reflector will be fully automated and I will discontinue forwarding the mail manually as in the past.

The new automated list processor will be a real upgrade. It will enable you to get the material in nearly real time and does not require me to forward each message manually. You will get the material much quicker than before. The Collins Listserver behaves much like the Boatanchors list. Simply, you subscribe to the list, send it messages which it then "reflects" back out to all those who subscribe. This is done once every ten minutes.

You must resubscribe to the new listserver in order to continue to participate. The automated list server follows the same guidelines contained in the CCA FAQ. Please continue to follow those guidelines for posting and contributing.

Here is how to subscribe:

Send an E-mail message to:

listserv@listserv.tempe.gov

Leave the Subject header of the message blank and in the body, simply type:

subscribe collins

The listprocessor will output an E-mail message back to you with easy to follow instructions asking for your confirmation. At that time, you will be asked to send a second E-mail message to the listserver. Follow those instructions exactly and send the second, confirmation, message to the listserver.

If all is successful, you will be signed up to the list and a complete set of instructions will be sent back to you in the form of an E-mail by the automated list server.

Finally, a very big thanks to Dave Kelly, AI7R and the City of Tempe, AZ who have graciously provided and set up the server. Dave and the Collins Collectors Association sponsor the Collins Reflector as a no charge benefit for Collins afficionados everywhere. Enjoy!

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* HF
* Homebrewing
* Mobile
* Novice/Tech Instruction
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* RFI
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* Homebrewing
* IBM PC's
* Mobile/Portable/Field Day
* Novice/Tech Instruction
* QRP
* Seminars/Lectures
* Volunteer Examiner (Laurel and W5YI VEC)

I have been a ham since 15. I have been an Extra class operator since age 17, and a VE since age 18. [_Editor's note:_Possibly the youngest Contact VE ever.]

I am an avid HF QRP (low power) and mobile operator. I have spent literally hundreds of hours installing my mobile station (IC-706 and Screwdriver antenna, plus more grounding straps than I can remember) in my 1995 Neon.

Most of the time I operate QRP CW mobile.

Why? It challenges my operating skills as much as possible, plus QRP is safer (RF-wise) than is 100 or 1500 watts. With the effects of RF exposure still unknown, I don't feel like exposing myself to high-power RF fields any more than necessary, and if 3 watts will do the job, so be it, I'll emit it.

In addition, people are generally amazed when you mention that not only are you running just 3 measly watts output power, and on top of that you're doing it from your car as it's zipping down the Interstate at 65 mph. They just can't believe it's possible that less power than

a nightlight is bouncing off the ionosphere and ground three times,
and is still able to be detected 10,000 miles away.

I'm here to tell them it is.

I enjoy building kits, and consider myself to be a good builder.

I am a fair contest operator, and enjoy 35 WPM CW ragchews as well as
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I am active with both the Laurel (Maryland) and University of Maryland
Amateur Radio Clubs, and operate with both during public service
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HF-related events (Field Day and Sweepstakes) for the past three
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As a Volunteer Examiner, I have conducted roughly 150 test sessions,
testing at minimum a thousand applicants.

I have recently given Novice/Technician license instruction, as well
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* Power Supplies
* QRP
* Radio Control (RC)
* RFI
* Electrical Safety
* Towers
* VHF/UHF

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Amateur Television Quarterly (ATVQ) Magazine

The magazine's E-mail address and mine are the same: ATVQ. There is also a ham radio section for "manufacturers and dealers" on America On-Line in which we list Amateur Television Quarterly, as expert and manufacturer. That is where most of the Frequently-Asked Questions (FAQ's) come from.

Most FAQ's are answered in one of two books we published. ATV Secrets for Aspiring ATV'ers is a non technical book, and Volume II is a 300-page technical manual with theory and projects for all equipment necessary to operate an ATV station. Prices in US funds are $9.95 and $24.95 plus postage ($3.10). Most of your inquires can be answered by either of these two books.

I am also compiling a set of W6ORG Notes, a regular column in ATVQ, which answers many of the technical FAQ's on various equipment and operations. This will be available for $9.95 also.

I can Elmer on most subjects, but not spread spectrum or packet.

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* Portable/Field Day
* HF/Contesting/DX
* Homebrewing
* LF
* NACEC
* Novice/Tech Instruction
* Packet and Digital Networking
* QRP
* RFI
* RTTY

* Repeaters
* Scouting
* VHF

I have nearly 30 years experience in electronic/computer service work. I enjoy designing, building, and operating vacuum tube and solid state equipment. I restore, test, repair, and operate antique radio equipment. The maximum power I use for daily operations is always below 100w, and most of the time, I operate at QRP (5w) or less! (More with less.) I have a real enthusiasm for building just about anything from nothing, as part of the homebrew aspect of the hobby. When not working DX, enjoying a good contest, or have a great time on Field Day, I watch over my 6m repeater, or work VHF packet. I am glad to be of help to those in need! I fully support the Elmer program as a means to bring new people into Amateur Radio. I teach Novice and Tech classes for aspiring Amateurs. I am also a merit badge instructor for the scouting program, and the advisor for the Bloomsburg University Amateur Radio Club.

* Radio Officer and Chairman of Operations Committee for Lycoming County, Pennsylvania ARES/RACES/SKYWARN program
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* President of Keystone Amateur Radio Association (KARA)
* President of The Bald Eagle Repeater Association

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526. Amateur Radio: Changes to Elmers Resource Directory

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Maintenance expertise and technical notes for the Kenwood TR-2200A
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+ I have led local Novice-Tech classes and taught CW to Novice, General
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as evidenced by the high number of hams in the Lawton, Oklahoma area
that hold Extra Class licenses.

+ I organized and conducted a SAREX in southwest Oklahoma that involved
+ over 3,000 students in 21 schools in seven cities of southwest
+ Oklahoma. The SAREX consisted of an essay contest with the winners
+ being able to ask questions of the astronauts while they orbited the
+ earth. The live SAREX was broadcasts over the Lawton, Oklahoma Public
+ School systems cable television to the public in southwest Oklahoma.
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* QRP
- - * VHF
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- - I suspect that I would be classified as a "classic" amateur operator.
- - While not a proficient homebrewer/RF designer (yet), I pride myself on
- - the ability to construct equipment from kits, as well as being able to
- - competently debug and fix the equipment I use - this is a set of
- - skills that is becoming too rare in our "appliance operator" world.
+ I have been a ham since 15. I have been an Extra class operator since
+ age 17, and a VE since age 18. [_Editor's note:_Possibly the youngest
+ Contact VE ever.]

- - While many see a need to run high power and large antennas, I do not.
- - I live in a development with antenna restrictions, and I choose to not
- - expose my family and neighbors to high RF fields.
+ I am an avid HF QRP (low power) and mobile operator. I have spent
+ literally hundreds of hours installing my mobile station (IC-706 and
+ Screwdriver antenna, plus more grounding straps than I can remember)
+ in my 1995 Neon.

- - This has led to my love of QRP (low power) operation. Working from the
- - eastern U.S. into Germany at 100 Watts is pretty neat - but to do so
- - on 1/2 Watt? A flashlight uses more than that, and it's being seen
- - some 4,000 miles away, AFTER bouncing off the ionosphere TWICE!
+ Most of the time I operate QRP CW mobile.

- - I also enjoy an occasional contest, although I am more relaxed about
- - operating than the annual "winners." I always operate on Field Day
- - with fervor, last year assisting the University of Maryland in making
- - 205 QSO's (most of them CW) at 4 Watts of output power into wire
- - antennas.
+ Why? It challenges my operating skills as much as possible, plus QRP
+ is safer (RF-wise) than is 100 or 1500 watts. With the effects of RF

+ exposure still unknown, I don't feel like exposing myself to
+ high-power RF fields any more than necessary, and if 3 watts will do
+ the job, so be it, I'll emit it.

- - I greatly prefer CW over phone. I can frequently be found on 2m
- - repeaters during trips and the drive to and from work.
+ In addition, people are generally amazed when you mention that not
+ only are you running just 3 measly watts output power, and on top of
+ that you're doing it from your car as it's zipping down the Interstate
+ at 65 mph. They just can't believe it's possible that less power than
+ a nightlight is bouncing off the ionosphere and ground three times,
+ and is still able to be detected 10,000 miles away.

- - I have confirmation of contact with 138 countries and have earned my
- - WAS and WAC awards. I have been a Volunteer Examiner since age 18, and
- - a ham since age 15.
+ I'm here to tell them it is.

- - I get a great deal of joy from watching others learn something new,
- - and then embrace it as their own. Ham radio is a wonderful way to
- - become involved in public service and a great, technical, hands-on
- - hobby that can lead to careers and a lifetime of enjoyment. I find
- - great pleasure in making others aware of it.
+ I enjoy building kits, and consider myself to be a good builder.
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+ I am a fair contest operator, and enjoy 35 WPM CW ragchews as well as
+ hunting for DX.
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+ I am active with both the Laurel (Maryland) and University of Maryland
+ Amateur Radio Clubs, and operate with both during public service
+ events. I have been the chief HF operator at University of Maryland
+ HF-related events (Field Day and Sweepstakes) for the past three
+ years.
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+ As a Volunteer Examiner, I have conducted roughly 150 test sessions,
+ testing at minimum a thousand applicants.
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+ I have recently given Novice/Technician license instruction, as well
+ as taught a 5 WPM code class. I have been told that I have a knack for
+ describing complex subjects in ways that make them far easier for
+ laypeople to understand.
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+ * IBM PC's
+ * Mobile/Portable/Field Day
+ * Power Supplies
+ * QRP
+ * Radio Control (RC)
+ * RFI
+ * Electrical Safety
+ * Towers
+ * VHF/UHF
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+ I have been a ham for over 30 years and have over 25 years experience
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+ * RF Safety
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+ I have over 30 years of professional experience in the
+ telecommunications industry and have served professionally a number of
+ times as a subject matter expert for the legal industry specializing
+ in telephone and data communications. I am also pretty good at getting
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527. Amateur Radio: Elmers Resource Directory [S-Z]

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I believe that one of the pillars of ham radio - construction/
understanding at the burn-your-hand-with-a-soldering-iron level - is
drifting out of ham radio. With Japanese radios which cost so much,
fewer and fewer hams are willing to risk their warranty to service
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I have been licensed for almost 20 years and have seen quite a bit. I deal mostly with helping new hams get going on HF including helping with antenna projects, etc. I have taught novice classes in the past and continue to do so. I also have extensive experience with the VEC program including starting the Dunedin ARA VE team.

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Also willing to provide newsreader kill/select file help to anyone interested in customizing their presentation of the rec.radio.* newsgroups

I would be particularly interested in mentoring/training new FAQ/Info maintainers for the rec.radio.* newsgroups (see also Jack Hill and John Seney for FAQ maintenance opportunities and the rec.radio.amateur.* Working Group mailing list). To paraphrase Zack Lau, I can't post it all myself!

I have taken over maintenance of the Perl-based auto-faq FAQ management and posting package from Ian Kluft and would be happy to guide new FAQ authors in its use. The latest version, 3.2pl2, is available via anonymous FTP from:

ftp://ftp.novia.net/customers/pschleck/auto-faq/

The auto-faq-users mailing list has also been re-sited at Novia. To subscribe, send E-mail to auto-faq-users-request@novia.net

with:

subscribe auto-faq-users

in the message body. An acknowledgment message will follow shortly. To unsubscribe, replace the above command with:

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Recently I undertook some academic research into packet radio using KA9Q's Multiple-Access/Collision Avoidance (MACA) link-layer protocol. I attempted a literature survey as well as some software simulations

of the protocol (with varying degrees of success). I would welcome any opportunities to improve on my work, find out about any actual MACA implementations, share information, and build on my bibliography (available on request). More information about MACA may be obtained from:

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http://www.cordis.lu/esprit/src/picosat.htm

(The Picosat System will consist of a constellation of very tiny, 15 cm cube, low-earth-orbit amateur satellites accessible by low-power handheld VHF radios.)

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I have experience with antennas (calculations, construction, and repair), all HF digital modes (including HF FAX), wiring of TNC's to radios, custom switchboxes for TNC's, radio modifications, math calculations, personal computers (DOS, Windows, Networking, and HTML), and of course, on-the-air operation and CW. I would love to work with young students wanting to become hams. I hope I can help.

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laser Free Space Laser Communications List-Server
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marcnet Marin Amateur Radio Club
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marrn MARRN Amateur Radio
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meteor-scatter Meteor Scatter Amateur Radio
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mobile-portable MOBILE-PORTABLE Amateur Radio
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newsvhf North East Weak-Signal VHF
newsvhf-digest
nlrs Northern Lights Radio Society
nlrs-digest
packet-pbbs Packet and PBBS Amateur Radio
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park PARK Amateur Radio List-Server
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ppares Pikes Peak ARES Amateur Radio
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ppraanet Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Assn.
ppraanet-digest
programit PROgramit Amateur Radio
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qsl-net-digest
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skywarn-digest
smirk SMIRK Amateur Radio
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srqares SRQARES Amateur Radio
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sstv-atv SSTV and ATV Amateur Radio
sstv-atv-digest
vaafmars Virginia AFMARS Amateur Radio
vaafmars-digest
vintage-radio Vintage Radio and AM
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I am currently a mature student at King's College, University of Aberdeen, studying for the B.Sc. (Hons.) Computing Science. I enter the third year of this course on 25th September 1997.

I run a telephone BBS in the Fidonet network. This is currently offline due to problems with the telephone line, but is expected to be back up in late September of 1997.

I also have my own IBM compatible computer, which has a P166 processor, 32M of RAM and a total of 4.6G of hard drive space, spread between three EIDE hard drives. This computer normally runs under the Linux operating system, and I am gradually moving the above Fidonet BBS system across from MSDOS to Linux. Because of the lack of suitable software under Linux, I am writing one myself, having had 15 years experience as a professional programmer.

I am a regular participant in AuroraMUSH, a MultiUser system, and have authored several patches to the suftware controlling it. It may be visited at:

telnet://amush.ml.org:4190/

I have been involved with Packet radio for over a decade now. Indeed, it was packet radio that got me interested in Amateur Radio in the first place.

I started up a mailing list connected with the Amateur Satellite world, currently using manual subscriptions. The list is:

Space.Repeater@cus.umist.ac.uk

and is for the discussion of the possibility of placing an amateur band repeater or transponder in orbit around a planet other than Earth, or on the surface of one of the other planets.

I will add that, although I can claim to be something of an expert on both Linux and Packet Radio, I am definitely NOT an expert on the two together.

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I'm not the author of InstantTrack itself, but I was extensively involved in its testing. I'm the author of OrbitDRV (the tracking TSR that comes with InstantTrack) and a number of other InstantTrack auxiliary programs.

AMSAT-NA (The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation in North America) operates the Internet host AMSAT.ORG to provide for efficient communications between people interested in the amateur satellite program. At this time two services are provided: a message remailing service and a mailing list service.

In addition, the AMSAT World-Wide Web home page provides interactive access to a variety of information related to the amateur radio satellite program. Use your Web browser program (e.g., Mosaic) to access the URL:

http://www.amsat.org/

Anonymous FTP is available from:

ftp://ftp.amsat.org/amsat/

This archive contains much of the same information as the WWW server. In addition, various files and programs are available for anonymous FTP. This is a relatively new archive, so the older FTP site:

ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/

still has lots of files not available there.

The message remailing service permits users to send each other mail on the Internet without keeping track of each other's Internet address. The remailing service allows each user to receive mail sent to the address callsign@amsat.org, where callsign is that user's amateur radio callsign, or other unique identifier. Mail sent to that address will be routed first to the AMSAT.ORG host at UCSD in San Diego, then remailed from AMSAT.ORG to the network address specified by the user. In most cases, this process delays the message by only a very few minutes. The mailing list service groups subscribers into mailing lists to receive certain types of messages. There are public mailing lists available to anyone, and private mailing lists available only to certain people (for example, AMSAT Board of Directors members or PACSAT command stations). Currently the following public mailing lists exist:

ANS - AMSAT News Service

This mailing list carries official news releases from the AMSAT News Service. These messages are posted in a form suitable for direct posting to a packet radio BBS system. Each message contains a Bulletin Identifier (BID), which permits the message to be introduced into the packet network at many places without resulting in duplicate bulletins at any BBS. The primary purpose of this mailing list is to distribute ANS bulletins for redistribution (via the packet net or on AMSAT voice nets), but individuals may also subscribe for their own use. If your local packet BBS doesn't seem to get the ANS bulletins reliably, you are encouraged to post the ANS bulletins yourself.

Only authorized AMSAT News Service personnel should send messages to the ANS mailing list.

AMSAT-BB - AMSAT bulletin board

This mailing list carries general AMSAT information. This information may NOT be suitable in content for transmission via amateur radio, so automatic reposting of AMSAT-BB messages to packet radio BBS's is discouraged. The purpose of this mailing list is to provide a forum for general discussion of any satellite-related topic.

Anyone may send messages to the AMSAT-BB mailing list. Simply address your message to amsat-bb@amsat.org, and it will be automatically forwarded to all subscribers to the AMSAT-BB mailing list.

Editors of publications should ask permission of the sender before publishing anything seen in AMSAT-BB elsewhere, unless the posting was obviously a public press release. However, posters should realize that anything posted to AMSAT-BB is essentially public.

KEPS - Keplerian Elements mailing list

This mailing list carries official postings of Keplerian element sets for satellites of interest to radio amateurs. Like the ANS bulletins, these messages are posted in a form suitable for direct posting to a packet radio BBS.

Only authorized AMSAT News Service personnel should send messages to the KEPS mailing list.

NASAINFO - NASA related information mailing list

This mailing list contains information about current and planned NASA space missions. Be forewarned: at times this mailing list delivers many large messages.

SAREX - Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment mailing list

This mailing list contains information and press releases pertaining to SAREX missions.

To obtain any of these services, just send a message to the address

listserv@amsat.org

This address may be reached from CompuServe MAIL as:

>INTERNET:listserv@amsat.org

For the moment, the maintenance of the AMSAT.ORG mailing lists and remailing aliases is done manually. Later, this service will probably be automated and you will have to follow a strict message format. For now, you may send requests in free format. They will usually be processed within a few days. In general, you will not receive an explicit reply to your request. Be sure you specify:

1. Which mailing list(s) you want to receive
2. Your callsign, if any
3. The Internet address to be used, if different from the one in your From: header.

You should not send messages about your subscriptions to any of the mailing lists. Send them to listserv@amsat.org instead. This includes questions, requests for changes, requests for information about mailing services, and complaints.

The list of amateurs who may be reached via the message remailing service may be obtained by requesting the "address book". Note that the address book as distributed contains only the callsigns of the available addressees, not their actual Internet addresses. The address book is updated occasionally, and does not necessarily contain the very latest information.

You may request to be added to the list, to be deleted from the list, or to have your Internet address changed on the list. Please include your callsign if you have one. If you don't have a callsign, that's OK, but please say so. If you have more than one Internet address you want to have available on the AMSAT.ORG remailer, you may so specify. For instance, if you have a regular Internet address and a CompuServe account, you may appear in the address book as both w1xyz and w1xyz-cis. Mail sent to w1xyz would go to your Internet address, and mail sent to w1xyz-cis would go to CompuServe. MCImail accounts have the form w1xyz-mci, and so on.

You may also subscribe or unsubscribe to any of the public mailing lists described above. Send a message to listserv@amsat.org, specifying clearly which mailing list(s) you want to add or drop, and giving your callsign if you have one. When you subscribe to a mailing list, you will automatically be added to the remailing service as well, because the mailing lists are maintained by callsign. If you have more than one address listed in the remailing service, please indicate which one(s) you want the mailing list messages sent to.

Additional mailing lists, public or private, can be set up as needed. Send mail to listserv@amsat.org for details.

Questions about any service offered by AMSAT.ORG may be directed to listserv@amsat.org as well.

Please note that the AMSAT business office is separate from mailing list maintenance. You may address membership requests to martha@amsat.org, or send them by mail, phone, or fax to AMSAT headquarters:

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DX QSL Info World-Wide Web Page:

http://www.coredcs.com/~mtw/

The DX QSL Info File is updated monthly. It is in Xbase format and runs under a variety of software, including:

* Dbase
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+ Coordinator for the Colorado 14er Radio Event (VHF/UHF hiking & mountaintopping event):
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+ Operated portable in Japan (7J1AUE)
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+ Test and measurement equipment
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I am especially interested in VHF/UHF and microwave amateur bands as
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the following areas:

* ATV - Getting started, starting local activity, repeaters.
* VHF/UHF - Propagation, what you need to get started, operating
portable, contesting, weak signals, and DX.
* Sealed Lead Acid Batteries - How to take care of them.

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* Radio Frequency Interference (RFI) matters
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* Equipment Testing

My survey of automotive EMI problems is mostly complete. The results are in September 1994 QST, including warranty and customer service information for most automobile manufacturers (many of whom have published installation guidelines).

I am also continuing to pursue more formal contacts and standards-making through the EMR and EMI Standards Committee of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), of which I am a member.

Copies of General Motors installation guidelines are available. Saturn allegedly has a video on mobile installation, but none of the dealers seem to know about it. I have a call into one of my low friends in high places. :-)

If anyone would like a copy of the GM installation guidelines, send a 9X12" SASE with two units of postage *and* a specific request for the "GM Installation Guidelines" to the ARRL Technical Department Secretary, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, USA. A copy has been reprinted in the ARRL book -- Radio Frequency Interference -- How to Find It and Fix It.

EMI/RFI Resource List and RFI Tips package available. A business SASE with 98 cents postage is appreciated. Please specify the desired documents in your correspondence.

The FCC has released the results of a telephone interference survey just completed.

If you would like a copy of the survey, which includes a list of telephone models checked, send an SASE with two units of first class postage to the Technical Information Service at ARRL HQ. Alternatively, you may obtain an electronic copy from the ARRL Info Server below.

If leakage from your local Cable TV operator is interfering with the Amateur Radio Service, it is in violation of the provisions of Part 76 of the FCC regulations.

I would first direct the problem toward the cable company system engineer or service manager. Chances are the "front-line" people who answer the phone don't know what you are talking about.

If this is not effective, contact me here at ARRL HQ. I can put you in contact with our liaison to the National Cable Telecasters Association. This liaison will help your cable operator understand their responsibilities.

For CATV interference problems in general, I recommend you obtain our Radio Frequency Interference Book. If you are a League Member, you can also get a copy of the ARRL Technical Information Service info package on CATVI -- "EMI/RFI - CATV" by sending a LARGE SASE with 3 stamps on it to the ARRL Technical Department Secretary, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111, USA. This package is a reprint of an article I wrote for Communications Technology -- the Journal of the Society of Cable Television Engineers. We submitted it to "their" journal because we felt that it would carry more weight with the cable companies.

If you have any questions after you have read the material, contact me here at HQ. I can usually get back to you within a few days to offer some additional help.

Many EMI/RFI files are also available from the ARRL Info Server. See Mary Carcia's entry for more information.

ARRL Technical Information Service Coordinator (tis@arrl.org)

The ARRL Technical Information Service (TIS) is a valuable membership benefit that helps hams find answers to difficult technical questions.

The answer to a ham's most common technical questions can be found in one of the many books about Amateur Radio. Folks who call or write to ARRL TIS staff are often referred to one of these books or to a past magazine article.

However, most hams find that the fastest way to get the answer is to do their own research. Publication catalogs often talk about what kinds of information are available in different books. A few good books will answer the vast majority of questions as well as enhance a ham's knowledge and enjoyment of this fascinating hobby.

Magazines are also a superb technical reference. An annual index of articles appears in the December issue of QST and other magazines. These indexes will usually have an article or two (or six) about a particular topic. If an older QST or QEX article is not available locally, the ARRL Technical Department Secretary can provide a copy for a small fee. Back issues are also available from the QST Circulation Department.

The ARRL Technical Information Service is a valuable source of information and research for questions that cannot be answered by other means. ARRL TIS has information packages and bibliographies that are available on request to answer most technical questions.

For those who want to know if something has been previously published on a particular subject, TIS can also assist with research to locate this information. TIS also helps locate companies that sell hard to

find parts or supplies used in our hobby.

Many TIS files are also available via the ARRL Info Server. See Mary Carcia's entry for more information.

See Jon Bloom's entry for information about the ARRL World-Wide Web Home Page.

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* HF/DX
* RFI
* Towers
* VHF
* Volunteer Examiner (Other)

I am a Civil Engineer by training and a DX'er by choice. My Elmer taught me how to work pile-ups and how to build antennas, having put up 12 towers all over 100 feet. I know what it takes to get a tower up. I don't climb anymore, but have a lot of info. I like working on antennas and have several big Moseleys up in the air. It would be great to pass on what I have learned, as we are not all born knowing how to do everything, and the older I get, the smarter my father gets.

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* Power Supplies
* QRP
* RFI
* Repeaters
* Electrical Safety
* RF Safety
* Towers
* UNIX
* VHF/UHF

I have been interested in radio, including scanner listening, since I was 8 years old. I can be found in #hamradio on IRC on EFnet as Squirrel.

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* Homebrewing
* 160 Meters
* Microwave
* Mobile/Portable
* OSCAR
* Packet and Digital Networking
* Part-15 Broadcasting
* Power Supplies
* QRP
* RFI
* Repeaters
* Electrical and RF Safety
* Seminars/Lectures
* Spread-Spectrum
* ATV
* VHF/UHF
* Volunteer Examiner (W5YI VEC)

Design Engineer for Radio Design Group

Company World-Wide Web Page:

http://www.radiodesign.com/

Assistant EC for Josephine County (Oregon) ARES/RACES

I am involved in commercial RF and wireless design, and willing to
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facility for checking radios, antennas, etc.

Local NEWSLINE outlet: Program airs on the 147.30 repeater right after
the Monday night net.

I am active on HF, VHF and UHF, including voice and digital modes, and
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* Novice/Tech Instruction
* RFI
* Seminars/Lectures
* Volunteer Examiner (WCARS VEC)

I've been licensed over 25 years. I was one of the first VE's certified by WCARS VEC. I have served for several years as a proofreader for the NCVEC Question Pool Committee. I work closely with the WCARS Directors, and am an active VE with that organization

I have been involved with Emergency Communications and Traffic handling from almost day one, having earned my first BPL at age 16 as a novice. I have served as Assistant EC, County EC and currently serve as District Emergency Coordinator for ARES/RACES and District Radio Officer for Emergency Management Area F of North Carolina. I also coordinate SKYWARN activities in our area.

I have served as Hamfest chairman, assistant chair, etc., as well as an officer of the local club, the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society. I designed our homepage, am quartermaster of club equipment, and carry the keys to the club repeater. I frequently teach both theory and code for local Novice/Tech classes.

I have been Field Day Chairman for five years, serve on the RFI committee, hold WAS Awards both as a Novice CW operator and SSB Extra Class, a DXCC with 86 of them worked as a Novice. I am also the National Board Chairman of the Geratol Net, a WAS net which meets nightly from October thru April. I also am chairman of the local club's packet committee.

I "dabble" in helping newcomers make dipoles and other simple HF antennas and am frequently a new licensees first contact. (A debt I am repaying to my three trusty Elmers of so many years ago, two of whom are now silent keys)

I would be willing to help in these general areas on-line or close-by on the phone or in person. (I am a college professor by trade)

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root@jackatak.theporch.com - "Plus ca change, plus c'est la meme chose"

Mobile Antenna Systems and Installation (Primarily HF)

* power distribution
* frame grounding
* antenna selection and construction
* mounting the rig
* useful accessories
* Keeping it Simple (avoiding task overload)

I have agreed to provide a new home for the "Boat Anchor" mail list, with the blessings of Paul Prescott, N1AAC, who took over from Our Esteemed Founder Jim Lockwood, KM6NK. I have also agreed to take over the rec.radio.amateur.* Working Group mail list, formerly maintained by Ian Kluft, KO6YQ. In addition, a new mailing list devoted to homebrewing tube transmitters and receivers ("Glowbugs," a sort of intersection between Boatanchors and QRP) has been created.

The mailing list addresses are:

* boatanchors@theporch.com (*)
* rra-wg@theporch.com
* glowbugs@theporch.com

Use these addresses for messages of general interest to the entire group. Please don't use them to subscribe, change address, etc.

(*) Effective 15 March 1996, the BoatAnchors list went to a subscription-only list, with $12 US per year as "dues" to support the list.

With monthly costs for Net access at $350 US/month and telephone line charges of $50 US plus, we are not getting rich. The fee was set after much consultation and wrangling, and was designed to cover the costs of running the list... and hopefully provide a surplus to upgrade the services we can provide, like better mail delivery, larger archives, etc.

The new automated list manager address is

listproc@theporch.com

Use this for subscribing, unsubscribing, getting archived info, getting the FAQ message, changing your address, etc.

To subscribe, send a message to this address with "subscribe boatanchors <your name>" or "subscribe rra-wg <your name>" Similarly, to unsubscribe, replace "subscribe" with "unsubscribe"

The new list owner address is

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Use this address only when there is a problem which really truly can't be resolved otherwise.

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* Towers

* VHF/UHF
* Volunteer Examiner

I am 36 years old, have been a ham for 22 years, and currently hold an Extra class amateur license. I got my first ticket when I was 14 years old, thanks to my Elmer who is now a silent key.

I am an instructor for amateur radio classes, Novice through General, and teach CW at least once per year. I am also the VE team liaison for the TEARA VE team, and test monthly in Smithfield, NC.

I maintain a number of repeaters from 10 meters through 900 MHz including ATV. I build a lot, and enjoy restoration/construction of vacuum tube amateur gear.

I enjoy ragchewing and DXing, with about 75% of my operating time on HF spent on CW. I also enjoy weak signal and FM operation on 6, 2, 1.25m, 70cm, and 33cm. I am experimenting on 23cm and 10 GHz.

I maintain a number of sites, some of which are related to amateur radio. The URLs are:

http://www.ipass.net/~teara/
http://www.RTPnet.org/~fcarc/
http://www.RTPnet.org/~rdrc/
http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/3341/
http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/3212/
http://www.geocities.com/TheTropics/3489/
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* Military Radios
* AN/PRC-127
* AN/PRC-126
* Night Vision
* AN/PVS-4
* AN/TVS-5
* AN/PVS-5
* AN/PVS-7

* AN/VVS-2
* Law Enforcement Communications
* Surveillance
* Military NSN's, Nomenclature and Descriptions
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* CAP
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* Field Day
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Civil Air Patrol (CAP)

I was Communications Officer and former unit Landstation Bluebird 284, 1980-87. Statistically, Landstations are relatively rare. A land station in CAP is an HF-capable station operating from both mobile and permanent locations as needed. As a land station, I checked into several regional nets for the Missouri Wing of the CAP. I am familiar with the CAP emergency protocol as well as MARS and ARRL. Also, I have extensive teaching experience for Novice to General levels and currently am a teacher.

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J-Pole antenna plans (copper tube & TV Twin-lead)

Multiband wire antenna plan (better than G5RV !)

* 2-meter FM
* VHF Antennas
* Mobile Installations
* Multiband Wire Antennas
* Field Day Activities
* General WeatherNet & Public Service Enthusiast.

* Ex-President Williamson County ARC (TX)
* Ex-Assistant Emergency Communications Coordinator (Georgetown, TX)

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KaWin World-Wide Web Home Page:

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KaWin(c) supports multiple host mode Kantronics(r) TNCs in all HF and VHF modes in MS Windows(R). Download the fully functional KaWin program from the KaWin WWW home page.

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* Listings of Examination Opportunities -- bi-weekly postings
http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/
ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/usenet/rec.radio.amateur.misc/
* Volunteer Examining procedures - ARRL VE Manual
* Support and Instruction for Volunteer Examiners - Coordinating Exams
* Member, National Conference of VECs Question Pool Committee
* Information on what's required to become an Amateur Radio licensee
* Contributing Editor - QST Magazine - Exam Info column

See Jon Bloom's entry for information about the ARRL World-Wide Web Home Page.

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* Internet Services
* Novice/Tech Instruction
* Packet and Digital Networking
* RACES
* Seminars/Lectures
* SKYWARN

I am an Advanced class operator, working on Extra. I work professionally as a manager of a computer services department in a large hospital system with more than 12 years experience in PC and Host Systems networking, I hold a degree in Electronics Engineering, as well as many hours in Computer Science Engineering. I operated a land-line BBS for 8 years, and now maintain a packet mail drop on 145.01 MHz. I maintain the TriCounty Amateur Radio Club (TCARC) of North Texas home page on the web:

http://www.why.net/home/kb5ylg/tcarc/index.html

and am the 1996 President of the TCARC. I am also the appointed Emergency Coordinator for the City of Azle for Tarrant County RACES.

I like to give talks to Amateur Radio Clubs, school groups, Scouts, and similar groups, mainly about Amateur Radio topics. Recent presentations I have done include Field Day preparation for clubs, Computers and Ham Radio, Building Your First Dipole. I'm open to presenting other topics as well. I also help local amateurs to prepare their own presentations and talks.

I am a Baptist minister, and would be delighted to administer a Ham Radio theme wedding! <grin> I would also provide ministerial services for Ham related special events.

I will also provide free Novice/Tech licensing instruction for groups of 5 or more in the Tarrant/Parker/Wise County region of North Texas. Typically this involves about 18 hours of lecture, and some self study on the parts of the students. I'll do this free for nonprofit endeavors.

P.S. I monitor 146.98 Boyd repeater while commuting, and you might find me working HF CW just about any time.

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* IBM PC's

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Via the World-Wide Web

TAPR Web Page http://www.tapr.org

Packet Radio Home Page http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/pkthome.html
TAPR Spread Spectrum Page http://www.tapr.org/ss/
TAPR DSP Page http://www.tapr.org/dsp/
Special Interest Groups http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/sigs.html
Regional Digital Groups
http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/regional_groups.html
North American Digital Systems Directory
http://www.tapr.org/directory/
ARRL & TAPR Digital Comm Conf http://www.tapr.org/dcc/

TAPR Software Library http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/software.html
TAPR Publications http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/publications.html
TAPR Kits http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/kits.html

TAPR Virtual Audio Meetings http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/virtual.html
Newsline Page http://www.tapr.org/newsline/
Ham Radio and More http://www.tapr.org/hrm/
Rain Report http://www.tapr.org/rain/

Via TAPR's FTP site

The TAPR Software Library is now available via anonymous FTP. You can
access the library at:

ftp://ftp.tapr.org/tapr/

Log in as:

anonymous

with your E-mail address as password.

Via TAPR's Listserv (http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/internet.html)

TAPR maintains several SIGs in various interest areas. To get the
latest list of SIG groups, send an E-mail message to:

listserv@tapr.org

with the subject line:

Request

and one or more of the following in the body of the message:

list

for list of mail groups on TAPR.ORG

information listname

(where listname is the name of the mail group)

to request the information on any mail group

subscribe list your_first_name your_last_name

(where list is the name of the mail list you want to join and
your_first_name and your_last_name are your first and last names,
respectively)

to subscribe

Some of the current SIGs include:

NETSIG Regional Networking SIG
BBSSIG BBS SIG
HFSIG SIG on HF Digital Topics
DSP-93 SIG for those that are building TAPR AMSAT DSP-93 kits
APRSSIG SIG on APRS
TAPR-TNC SIG on TNC Issues
DSP SIG on general DSP topics
MIC-E SIG on supporting the TAPR APRS MicEncoder kit

TAPR-BB Announcement channel for TAPR bulletins and information

General Information about TAPR:

* Ever heard of a TNC?
* Interested in general packet radio information?
* Interested in Spread Spectrum Communications?
* Interested in high-speed packet operations?
* Interested in other types of digital communications?
* Interested in experimenting or building kits?
* Interested in keeping up-to-date on national digital and packet
issues?

Then you might be interested in TAPR!

Goals:

* Support Research and Development efforts in the area of amateur
digital communications
* Disseminate information on packet and digital communications
* Provide affordable and useful kits for experimenters and hobbyists
* Pursue and help advance the amateur art of communications through

publications, meetings, and standards

History:

If you have used a packet radio TNC, then you are already a part of TAPR history.

The TNC (Terminal Node Controller) project was the first big project that TAPR tackled and completed. Now TAPR covers a wide range of interests including: APRS, Spread Spectrum, networking, Timing, DSP, HF, and much more.

TAPR was founded in 1982 as a national organization with interests in the areas of packet and digital communications. Today, TAPR continues as a membership supported non-profit amateur educational research and development organization. TAPR currently has more than 2500 members, worldwide. TAPR continues to develop kits for the amateur community and is working actively on publications and communications standards.

Membership:

Membership in TAPR includes a subscription to the quarterly published Packet Status Register newsletter. PSR has been published since 1982 and is recognized as an authoritative source for up-to-date user and technical information on packet radio. Much of the material in PSR is timeless. Back issues may be obtained from the TAPR office. Membership in TAPR is $20 US for one year in USA, Canada, and Mexico. Outside North America is $25 US.

Join the amateur digital-revolution -- Join TAPR!

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High-Performance Software Modem Project

Recently I've been working on a prototype SQPSK (staggered quadrature phase shift keyed) modem for the amateur satellite channel. This modem is implemented totally in software running on a PC with an ordinary (non-DSP) Soundblaster card. It runs at 1200 bps and fits into a SSB transceiver bandwidth.

I've made good progress and have put some info up on my web page about it, including an audio file to show what it sounds like in noise when the signal is still copyable, available from:

http://people.qualcomm.com/karn/ham.html

Watch that page for an announcement of when I actually release the code, which I plan to integrate into KA9Q NOS.

Spread Spectrum

I've been trying to answer the question of consequences of promoting relatively wide-band digital modes on band occupancy and throughput (i.e., What gets optimized? Are there tradeoffs in quality vs. quantity?) in the context of the spread spectrum rules debate, but I think it needs to be a much wider discussion. See my reply comments to the FCC on this issue:

http://people.qualcomm.com/karn/papers/index.html

(See also Steve Bible for more information on Spread Spectrum)

[_Editor's Note:_ I'm honored by the presence of many advanced-level Elmers in this directory, including Jeffrey Angus, Gary Coffman, and now Phil Karn. Phil has graciously agreed to appear in this directory for the purpose of elmering and technical exchange for the advanced topics listed above. As with all of my Elmers, please respect their time by only seeking assistance from them for the topics under which they are listed. There are many Elmers willing to answer more beginning-level packet radio questions, including basic questions about IBM PC hardware, TCP/IP and NOS. Consult the "IBM PERSONAL COMPUTER (PC) AND CLONES" and "PACKET AND DIGITAL NETWORKING" categories in the Subject Quick-Search Index for a complete list.]

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* Power Supplies
* Radio Control (RC)
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* AMSAT
* Antennas (Other)

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* DX
* OSCAR

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info larc@seta.fi

The Lambda Amateur Radio Club (LARC), is an international club for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered radio, electronics, and computer enthusiasts (and their friends). Membership is open to all who are supportive of sexual minorities.

Members receive our newsletter, the _Lambda Net News_ each month, learn about our public service activities, keep track of our weekly activities such as Internet Relay Chat (IRC), and follow the planning and may even participate in our fourth LARC-sponsored DXpedition-Caribbean vacation in 1998.

If you'd like to make many new friends, consider joining our club! We'll be happy to mail you an application right away. Just send an E-mail request for an application to:

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OSCAR (Orbiting Satellites Carrying Amateur Radio)

I have been an active satellite operator on both high-orbiting (elliptical and low orbiting satellites (LEO) since 1990. I hold satellite DXCC #85 and I currently have 210 countries confirmed on satellite. I enjoy both CW and SSB and DXing. I am a member of AMSAT.

LARC has sponsored three DXpeditions to the Caribbean focusing on satellite operating.

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* Novice/Tech Instruction
* Portable

I am familiar with everything listed above and may also be able to
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* IBM PC's
* Internet Services
* Mobile
* Electrical Safety
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I have about 4 decades of experience in Radio & TV Broadcasting and communications in the technical end, including installation & repair of VHF & UHF 2-way radios. I am experienced in design and construction of various electronics equipment, including computers and associated equipment and have a degree in electrical technology.

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We now have the QRZ! FTP archive and QRZ! WWW server online, 24 hours a day. Our connection is via a T1 line so you should get pretty decent file transfer times.

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Authors of ham radio shareware programs, data files, mods, etc., are invited to contribute their materials to the QRZ! anonymous FTP server above.

I would also like to thank those who have volunteered in helping port the QRZ! source code to a wide variety of platforms. In the next edition, we'll have support for DOS, Windows, OS/2, Windows NT, Sun, NeXT, SGI, Linux, AIX, and HP/UX executables, directly on the disk.

Notably not mentioned is Macintosh, which so far has been a bit troublesome to put together. If anyone who can program in 'C' on a Macintosh would care to volunteer, please let me know. Although there is an experimental Mac interface at this time, I'd like to make it an officially-supported platform.

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* Crenshaw
* Eisenberg
* Gieszczykiewicz
* Gray
* Groom
* Hammill (Sealed Lead-Acid)
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Hodgdon
* Knott
* Morris
* Preston
* Quick
* Redding, J
* Richardson, G
* Rosenfeld
* Ruggiano
* Sefranek
* Sohl, R
* Taubman
* Winward

BRITISH AMATEUR TELEVISION CLUB (BATC)

* Pawson (WWW Page)

BULLETIN-BOARD SYSTEMS (BBS'S), LANDLINE

* Bertolino (Trance - Italy)
* Cira (HAM*INFO*LINK*SOURCE*BBS)
* Czaikowski
* D'Arcy
* Forman
* Hamilton
* Johnson, D
* Mello
* Meredith (F6FBB Packet BBS Support)
* Nugent
* Richardson, G
* Stetson
* Stillinger (IBBS)
* Vidal (Spain)
* Watters
* Williams (Fidonet, Aberdeen, Scotland)

CALLSIGN DATA/NATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICE (NTIS)

* Carruth
* Lloyd (QRZ! Ham Radio CDROM and Callsign/E-mail Registry)

CIVIL AIR PATROL (CAP)

* Hornberger (Former Landstation Bluebird 284, Missouri Wing)
* Richardson, G
* Sohl, R (Ground/Air Search and Rescue)

COLLEGE CLUBS

* Gray
* Hamilton (United States Military Academy)
* Kincaid
* Luszcz (WWW Page)
* Rosenfeld (Former Treasurer, University of Maryland)
* Rymell (Advisor, Bloomsburg University Amateur Radio Club)
* Schleck
* Stafford (United States Air Force Academy Station Trustee)
* Stocking

COMMERCIAL SERVICE EQUIPMENT

* Cieslak, C
* Dodell (Mailing List)
* Eisenberg
* Gray
* Gunton (including Microwave)
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Mello
* Myers (Motorola and G.E.)
* Richardson, G
* Rodriguez
* Ruggiano

* Sohl, R

CW (MORSE CODE)

* Anderson
* Avery
* Aydogmus, B
* Aydogmus, N
* Been
* Bouthillier
* Branch
* Brown
* Brubaker
* Caserta
* Cieslak, C
* Coffee
* Croce
* Czaikowski
* Dibble (including Instruction)
* Di Mattia
* Eade
* Edinger
* Elmore
* Emm
* Forman
* Gapinski (VHF Meteor Scatter)
* Hall, R
* Harris
* Hart
* Hendershot
* Henderson
* Hill (Learning Hints)
* Hockaday (including Instruction)
* Kelly
* Lacouture
* Learned
* Lowman
* Mello
* Miller
* Morris
* Neeson
* Nickolaus
* Parker
* Petri
* Pitts
* Placer
* Preston
* Richardson, G
* Roberson
* Ruggiano
* Rymell

* Sarrio
* Sawkins
* Scribner
* Shears
* Short
* Silva
* Smith, D
* Stafford
* Stern
* van de Kerk
* Veach (5-20 WPM Classes, Lawrenceville, GA)
* Wagner
* Warth
* Watters
* Zurn (including European abbreviations)

DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING (DSP)

* Ayers
* Bloom
* Coffee
* Di Mattia
* Gilliver
* Jones (TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives, Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Kincaid
* Richardson, G
* Short (BitBucket Specialized Techniques Mailing List)
* Taubman
* van Vliet (Filters, including Integrated, Distributed, Lumped, and Active)

DIRECTION FINDING (DF)

* Douglas (including Doppler and DF Systems WWW Page)
* Moell, J (Homing In Column WWW Page)

DUTCH NATIONAL RADIO SOCIETY (VERON)

* Bruinsma (National Public Relations Committee, National WWW Page, Woerden Chapter Board Member, and Woerden Chapter WWW Page)

EARTH-MOON-EARTH (EME) COMMUNICATIONS

* Anderson
* Di Mattia
* Richardson, G
* Smit (WWW Page)

EQUIPMENT TESTING/TROUBLESHOOTING

* Alois (Kenwood TR-2200A)
* Anderson

* Avnet (including Kits)
* Ayers (Tube and Solid-State)
* Bouthillier
* Boyce (HF, Synthesized, and Test Equipment)
* Brewer (Tube Gear)
* Bridges (Tech Bench Elmers Amateur Radio Society WWW Page)
* Czaikowski
* Dworkin
* Eisenberg
* Elmore (Troubleshooting)
* Emm
* Gieszczykiewicz (sci.electronics.repair FAQ)
* Goldman (Tech Bench Elmers Amateur Radio Society)
* Gray
* Hare (ARRL Laboratory Manager)
* Harris
* Hendershot (Test Equipment and Troubleshooting)
* Hockaday
* Kolb
* Kruzic (ICOM America WWW Page)
* Lacouture
* Mello (Test Equipment and Troubleshooting Hints and Kinks without Expensive Test Equipment)
* Morris
* Muncey (Terry Muncey dba Radio Era Schematics and Documentation Archives)
* Myers
* Nichols
* Nugent (including Repair)
* Ornitz (Instrumentation)
* Paperman (Manuals, Service Information, and Literature)
* Petri
* Preston (Electronic Surveillance)
* Quick
* Richardson, G
* Roberson
* Ruggiano
* Rymell (Electronics and Computer Service Work)
* Salnick
* Sefranek
* Seney (Digital Storage Scope FAQ)
* Short (including BitBucket Specialized Mailing List)
* Sohl, R
* Taubman
* Taylor
* Thompson
* Witte (Instrumentation, Test Equipment, and Measurements)

ESPERANTO

* Munsil (including Contact Information for the Esperanto League for North America, ELNA)

FINNISH AMATEUR RADIO LEAGUE (SRAL)

* Toijala (HQ Contact and WWW Page)

FREQUENTLY-ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ'S)

* Bowen (Supplemental FTP Archives, Internet Callbook Server)
* Davis, A (Australia)
* Dawson (Linux HAM and AX.25 HOWTO's)
* Gieszczykiewicz (sci.electronics.repair Newsgroup)
* Goldstein (Packet Radio WWW Server, including Packet FAQ)
* Hill (Antennas)
* Jahnke (VE Exams Scheduled)
* Jones (TAPR)
* Langner (SSTV)
* Lloyd (QRZ! Callsign/E-mail Registry)
* Moell, J (Radio Direction Finding)
* Rhea (Six Meter VHF Band WWW Page)
* Ruh (Amateur Television)
* Seney (General Amateur Radio, Digital Storage Scopes, and Macintosh Amateur Radio Software List WWW Pages)
* Short (rec.radio.info Newsgroup)
* Turvey (United Kingdom)
* Twigger (Amateur Radio Exam Practice WWW Page)
* Williamson (AMSAT)
* Woods (Mail-Order Electronics)

GEORGIA RADIO AMATEUR PACKET ENTHUSIASTS SOCIETY (GRAPES)

* Coffman (E-mail Contact)

HANDICAPPED OPERATING

* Carcia, M (ARRL Program for the Disabled Coordinator)
* Cushman
* Gilliver (Blind Issues)
* Nichols
* Nugent
* Tice (Manager and WWW Page, Courage HANDI-HAM System)

HIGH FREQUENCY (HF)/CONTESTING/DX

* Anderson (HF/DX)
* Aydogmus, B
* Aydogmus, N
* Ayers
* Beech
* Bertolino (425 DX News and IOTA WWW Page)
* Boudda (Morocco)
* Bouthillier (Contesting/DX)
* Boyce (HF/DX)

* Boyd (20 years experience)
* Brakob (Contesting/DX)
* Branch
* Brooks (HF)
* Brubaker
* Buck
* Caserta
* Cieslak, C
* Coffee
* Cooke (HF, Contesting)
* Croce
* Czaikowski
* Danaher
* Di Mattia
* Edinger
* Elmore (DX'ing, Contesting, and Propagation)
* Emm
* Forman
* Gray
* Hamilton (HF)
* Harper
* Hart
* Hendershot (HF)
* Henderson
* Hill (Mobile)
* Hockaday
* Hornberger (HF/Contesting)
* Jones (Digital Modes, TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives,
Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Kasper (DX)
* Kelly
* Knott
* Lacouture
* Learned
* Littleton
* Lowman
* Mosher
* Myers
* Neader (Contesters and DX'ers WWW Page)
* Nerenberg (DX Mailing List and WWW Page)
* Nichols
* Nickolaus
* Nutter
* Orcutt
* Pinheiro
* Pitts
* Placer
* Preston
* Redding, T
* Reeves

* Richardson, G
* Richardson, H
* Rodriguez
* Rosenfeld
* Ruggiano
* Rymell
* Salnick
* Sarrio
* Sawkins
* Schaefer
* Sefranek
* Shears (HF)
* Short
* Silva
* Sohl, R
* Stafford (HF)
* Stanley
* Stocking (Contesting)
* Strobel (DX Packet Cluster WebNet WWW Page)
* Taubman (HF)
* Thompson
* Thomson (Mostly CW)
* Tynkov
* van de Kerk (CW, Low Profile)
* Warth
* Winward (HF)
* Witkowski (DX QSL Info WWW Page, ARRL SWL Bureau Manager)
* Zurn

HOMEBREWING/DO-IT-YOURSELF

* Anderson
* Avnet
* Ayers (Tube and Solid-State)
* Beech (Radio and Computer Equipment)
* Boyce (30 Years Experience, HF, Synthesized, Test Equipment, and
IBM PC's)
* Bridges (Tech Bench Elmers Amateur Radio Society WWW Page)
* Buck
* Carruth (Digital Design, Software)
* Cieslak, C
* Croce
* Di Mattia
* DuBois (Embedded Systems and Hardware/Software Design)
* Eisenberg
* Elmore (Construction Practices)
* Forman
* Gilliver (DSP, Blind Issues)
* Goldman (Tech Bench Elmers Amateur Radio Society)
* Gray
* Groom (Linear Circuits, Audio Signal Processors, DC to 10 MHz)

* Gunton (Microwave Components/Techlock Distributing WWW Page)
* Halbert (QRP)
* Hamilton
* Hendershot (RF Design and Wireles Systems)
* Hill ("Glowbugs" Tube Homebrewing Mailing List)
* Johnson, R
* Kasper
* Kincaid
* Lacouture
* Lau (Transverters, VHF/UHF, Filters, Repeatable Projects)
* Learned
* Mello (including Power Supplies, Over 20 Years Experience in Electronics)
* Miller
* Myers
* Neeson
* Nichols
* Nugent
* Ornitz (Chemical and Toxic Material Use and Handling, including Printed Circuit Boards)
* Parker (including QRP)
* Petri
* Quick (Tube Equipment, Transistorized Receivers, QRP and QRO CW Transmitters)
* Richardson, G
* Rosenfeld
* Ruggiano
* Rymell (Electronics and Computers, Low-Cost Projects)
* Salnick
* Sefranek
* Shears
* Short (including BitBucket Specialized Techniques Mailing List)
* Silva (Analog, Digital, Tubes, Semiconductors, RF, Finding Parts)
* Sohl, R
* Stanley
* Stern
* Stocking (including QRP)
* Taubman
* Taylor (Tubes and Amplifiers)
* Thompson (Electronic Circuits, Metal Fabrication, Shop Techniques, Other Fabrication)
* van Vliet (including Power Amplifiers, Low-Noise Amplifiers, and Mixers for Microwave)
* Veach
* Wagner (TNC Wiring Harnesses and Custom Switchboxes)
* Winward
* Witkowski
* Woods (Mail-Order Electronics)

IBM PERSONAL COMPUTER (PC) AND CLONES

* Ammar
* Anderson
* Angus
* Ayers
* Beech
* Boyce
* Branch
* Brown
* Buck
* Buydens
* Caserta
* Cieslak, C
* Cole
* Cox
* Czaikowski
* Danaher
* D'Arcy
* Dawson (Linux on Intel)
* Di Mattia
* Dworkin
* Edinger
* Emm
* Gray
* Harris
* Hart
* Hennigan
* Johnson, D
* Johnson, R
* Johnston
* Kasper
* Knott
* Kolb
* Lacouture
* Lacy (NuTest and NuMorse Ham Training Software for Windows and WWW
Page)
* Lipscomb
* Matacz (Poland)
* Mello
* Miller
* Morris
* Morrissey (Hardware, Programming in Basic/Quick-Basic/C)
* Myers
* Nichols
* Nickolaus (DOS, Windows 3.x and 95, and Ham-Related Applications)
* Nugent
* Nutter
* Patton
* Petersen (Simtel Software Repository)
* Preston
* Redding, J
* Reeves

* Richardson, G
* Robinson
* Rosenfeld
* Ruggiano
* Schaefer
* Shears
* Short
* Smith, J (Building and Maintaining)
* Stannard
* Stocking
* Taubman
* Tynkov (Russia)
* Wagner (DOS, Windows, Networking, and HTML)
* Watters
* Wetzel
* Williams
* Winkler
* Winward
* Witkowski (including Xbase Format DX QSL Info File)

INTERNET SERVICES

* Ammar
* Aydogmus, B (Turkey)
* Aydogmus, N (Turkey)
* Beech
* Boyce
* Caserta
* Cieslak, C
* Coffee
* D'Arcy
* Hamilton
* Harris
* Johnson, D
* Kolb
* Littleton
* Lowman
* Morris
* Myers
* Nerenberg (Free Amateur Radio Server Login Accounts)
* Orcutt
* Preston
* Redding, J
* Redding, T
* Reeves
* Richardson, G
* Robinson
* Schleck
* Short
* Smith, J
* Sohl, B

* Sohl, R
* Taylor
* Tynkov (Russia)
* Vidal (Spain)
* Waller (Free Ham Radio WWW Home Pages and E-mail Accounts)
* Watters
* Witkowski

JAMAICA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (JARA)

* Wilkinson (WWW Page)

LAMBDA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (LARC)

* Kelly (Vice President, WWW Page, and Mailing List)

LASER COMMUNICATIONS

* Crenshaw
* Harris

LOW FREQUENCY (LF)

* Harris
* Lacouture
* Richardson, G
* Rymell
* Thomson (1750 meter band LOWFER operation and LF/MF Radiobeacon DX'ing)
* Winward

MAIL/FILE TRANSFER PROTOCOL (FTP)/WORLD-WIDE WEB (WWW)/MULTIPLE-USER DUNGEON (MUD) SERVERS/ARCHIVES

* Adams, J (ARES/RACES WWW Page)
* Bauer (NASA/SAREX WWW Page)
* Beech (Military Surplus Radio Equipment WWW Page)
* Bertolino (425 DX News and IOTA WWW Page)
* Bible (Spread Spectrum WWW Page)
* Bloom (ARRL HQ WWW Page)
* Bourne (National RACES WWW Page)
* Bowen (rec.radio.amateur.* Supplemental Archives)
* Brewer (Antique and Older Equipment WWW Page)
* Bridges (Tech Bench Elmers Amateur Radio Society WWW Page)
* Bruinsma (VERON National and Woerden Chapter WWW Pages)
* Carcia, M (ARRL Info Server and Online Services Sysop including ARRL and Compuserve Presence, ARRL Foundation WWW Page)
* Caserta (425 DX News WWW Page and FTP Archives)
* Cooke (Wireless Set #19 WWW Page)
* Crenshaw (New Ham Partner WWW Page)
* Dalziel (RSGB HQ and Repeater Management Committee WWW Pages)
* Davis, A (Australia Amateur Radio FAQ WWW Page)
* Davis, S (NZART WWW Page)

* deVolpi (AmSoft and World of Ham Radio WWW Page and FTP Archive)
* Di Mattia (Italian Ham Radio Home Pages and Links WWW Page)
* Douglas (DF Systems WWW Page)
* Emm (Colorado QRP Club WWW Page)
* Estey (TAPR North American Digital Systems Directory WWW Page)
* Goldstein (Packet Radio and TAPR WWW Server)
* Gray (Arkansas Amateur Radio Service, Arkansas Hams E-mail List, and ARRL Arkansas Section WWW Pages)
* Gunton (Microwave Components/Techlock Distributing WWW Page)
* Gutstadt (Navy/Marine Corps. MARS National WWW Page)
* Hall, L (Women/YL WWW Page)
* Hall, R (Stones River ARC, K4FUN, WWW page)
* Huntting (KaWin WWW Page)
* Johansen (Louisiana ARES WWW Page)
* Johnson, D (TriCounty, North TX, ARC WWW Page)
* Jones (TAPR WWW Pages, FTP Archives, and Mailing Lists)
* Kelly (Lambda ARC WWW Page)
* Komppa (Foreign Licensing WWW Page)
* Kruzic (ICOM America WWW Page)
* Langner (SSTV WWW Page)
* Leavey (73 Magazine RTTY Loop Column WWW Page)
* Leynes (Youthnet News WWW Page)
* Lloyd (QRZ! Ham Radio CDROM FTP Archive and WWW Page)
* Luszcz (College and University Club List WWW Page)
* Moell, A (Hospital Disaster Support Communications System WWW Page)
* Moseson (CQ Magazine and Allied Publications WWW Pages)
* Murnane (Wireless Institute of Australia, New South Wales Division, WW Page)
* Neader (Contesters and DX'ers WWW Page)
* Nerenberg (Contesting, DX, and Technical Amateur Radio WWW Page)
* Oros (Elmer HAMlet WWW Page)
* Parker (Novice Notes Online and Australia QRP WWW Pages)
* Pawson (British Amateur Television Club WWW Page)
* Petersen (Simtel Software Repository)
* Pinheiro (Azores Islands, Portugal, Amateur Radio WWW Page)
* Pulfer (Radio Amateurs of Canada WWW Page)
* Reis (Brazil Ham Radio WWW Page)
* St. George (U.S. Army MARS Official WWW Page)
* Sarrio (Raymond Sarrio Company WWW Page)
* Seney (Digital Storage Scope FAQ, Macnet, and Macintosh Amateur Radio Software List WWW Pages)
* Shuch (SETI League WWW Page)
* Smit (EME and SETI WWW Page)
* Sproul, M (APRS WWW Page)
* Strobel (K6PBT Dealer Directory and DX PacketCluster WebNet WWW Pages)
* Sussman (PACTOR News WWW Page)
* Tice (Courage HANDI-HAM System WWW Page)
* Toijala (SRAL WWW Page)

* Twigger (Amateur Radio Exam Practice WWW Page)
* Vekinis (Picosat System WWW Page)
* Waller (QSL.net WWW Page, Site of Free Ham Radio WWW Home Pages and E-mail Accounts)
* Walsh (QCWA WWW Page)
* Whatton (Amiga Amateur Radio User Group WWW Page)
* Wilkins (California Amateur VHF Enthusiasts WWW Page)
* Wilkinson (JARA WWW Page)
* Williams (AuroraMUSH)
* Williamson (AMSAT WWW Page and Anonymous FTP Archives)
* Winkler (Ham Radio & More Show WWW Page)
* Witkowski (DX QSL Info WWW Page)
* Woods (Mail-Order Electronics FTP Archive and WWW page)

MAILING LISTS

* Ackermann (TAPR Net-SIG BBS)
* Adams, J (ARES/RACES)
* Carcia, J (ARRL Bulletins)
* Caserta (425 DX News Mailing List)
* Colwell (Advanced Computer Controls and Link Communications Repeater Controllers)
* deVolpi (AmSoft and World of Ham Radio Product Announcements)
* Dodell (Land-Mobile Radio, MARS Members)
* Hill (Antique and Older Tube Equipment, rec.radio.amateur.* Working Group, "Glowbugs" Tube Homebrewing)
* Jones (Many, TAPR-related)
* Kelly (Lambda ARC)
* Kruml (EComm Pacific Northwest ARES)
* Meredith (F6FBB Packet BBS)
* Nerenberg (DX)
* Rippel (Collins Radio Equipment)
* Short (BitBucket Specialized Techniques, et al, see full entry)
* Waller (Many, see full entry)
* Williams (Extra-Terrestrial Amateur Satellites and Probes)
* Williamson (Many, AMSAT-related)

MEDIA (PUBLICATION/WRITING/BROADCASTING)

* Ackermann (Books on Wireless Networking)
* Bertolino (SWL Page of Radio Rivista, Italy)
* Bloom (QEX)
* DeWolf (Media Relations for Clubs, Syndicated Columnist on Internet Matters)
* Jones (TAPR Publications)
* Lau (QST/QEX)
* Leavey (73 Magazine RTTY Loop Column)
* Leynes (Editor-in-Chief, Youthnet News)
* Lloyd (QRZ! Ham Radio CDROM)
* Moell, J (Homing In Column and WWW Page)
* Moseson (CQ Magazine and Allied Publications Online Coordinator)

* Redding, T (Club Growth Techniques)
* Ruh (ATV Quarterly)
* Schleck (FAQ's and auto-faq)
* Seney (Macnet)
* Sussman (PACTOR News)
* Winkler (Ham Radio & More Show)
* Witte (Ham Magazines, Electrical Engineering Publications, and a few books)

MEDIUM FREQUENCY (MF, 160 METERS)

* Ayers
* Gray
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Richardson, G
* Shears
* Sohl, R
* Stanley
* Stillinger
* Thomson (LF/MF Radiobeacon DX'ing)
* Winward
* Zurn

MICROWAVE

* Bourne (Microwave)
* Brooks
* Di Mattia
* Gunton (Microwave Components/Techlock Distributing WWW Page, Components for up to 50 GHz)
* Hammill
* Hendershot
* Hockaday (10 Ghz)
* Lacouture
* Lau (Transverters up to 24 Ghz)
* Lowman
* Miller
* Reynolds (SHF)
* Richardson, G
* Seiler (1.2 GHz ATV)
* Sohl, R
* Stillinger
* Taubman
* van Vliet (including Power Amplifiers, Low-Noise Amplifiers, and Mixers)

MILITARY AFFILIATE RADIO SYSTEM (MARS)

* Ayers
* Branch (Air Force)
* Browne (Navy)

* Cartier (Army, CT Director for Emergency Operations)
* Chapman (Navy/Marine Corps., Afloat and Overseas Operations)
* Cox (Air Force, Region 2 Packet Manager)
* Dodell (Air Force, Mailing List)
* DuBois (Army, Utah Zone 5 Coordinator, NCS, and EC)
* Forman (Air Force)
* Gutstadt (Navy/Marine Corps., including National WWW Page)
* Hamilton (Army)
* Littleton (Army)
* Mello (Army)
* St. George (Army, including Official WWW Page)
* Smith, J (Air Force)
* Sohl, R
* Stanley (Air Force Region 3 Administrative Assistant)
* Stetson (Navy/Marine Corps.)
* Taylor (Air Force)

MOBILE/PORTABLE/FIELD DAY

* Adams, I (Mobile and Portable)
* Ammar (Portable and Field Day)
* Anderson
* Ayers (Mobile and Portable)
* Boccardi (Field Day)
* Bouthillier (Field Day)
* Branch (Field Day)
* Brooks (Portable)
* Brown (Field Day)
* Brubaker
* Buck
* Carruth (FM, HT's, 10m SSB)
* Caserta (Portable)
* Cieslak, C
* Coffee (Field Day)
* Colwell
* Cooke (Field Day)
* Czaikowski (Mobile and Field Day)
* Edinger (Mobile)
* Eisenberg (Mobile)
* Emm
* Forman
* Gray
* Hamilton
* Hare (RFI issues)
* Harris (Portable)
* Hendershot
* Henderson (Field Day Chairman, Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society)
* Hill (including MF, HF)
* Hockaday (Mobile)
* Hornberger (Field Day)

* Humphries
* Johnson, D (Field Day)
* Johnston (Field Day)
* Knott
* Kolb
* Lacouture (Field Day)
* Learned (Field Day)
* Lipscomb (Mobile)
* Lowman (Field Day)
* Mello (Mobile/Portable, 20 Years Experience)
* Morris (Portable)
* Nickolaus (Field Day)
* Nugent (Field Day)
* Patton (Field Day)
* Petri (Field Day)
* Placer
* Quick (Mobile/Portable/Field Day)
* Redding, J (Portable)
* Reeves
* Richardson, G (Mobile/Portable/Field Day)
* Roberson (Mobile)
* Robinson (Mobile)
* Rosenfeld (Mobile/Portable/Field Day)
* Ruggiano (Mobile/Portable/Field Day)
* Rymell (Portable and Field Day)
* Sawkins (Field Day)
* Schaefer (Mobile and Field Day)
* Schumacher (VHF/UHF/Beam/Yagi Mobile Antennas)
* Sefranek
* Seiler (1.2 GHz ATV Field Operations)
* Smith, D (Field Day)
* Smith, J (Mobile and Portable)
* Sohl, R (Mobile/Portable/Field Day)
* Springman (Portable/Field Day)
* Stafford (Field Day)
* Stanley (Viking, MN, Amateur Radio Society Field Day Chairman)
* Sweeney (Mobile)
* Warth (Mobile and Field Day)
* Winward (Mobile/Portable)

NATIONAL TRAFFIC SYSTEM (NTS)

* Boccardi
* Czaikowski
* Elmore
* Goldstein (NCS FL Net, Packet)
* Neeson (Eastern Canada, Digital Modes)
* Richardson, G
* Scribner
* Zurn (Europe)

NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION OF RADIO TRANSMITTERS (NZART)

* Andrews, D (Frequency Management and Technical Advisory Group Chair)
* Davis, S (WWW Page)

NORTH AMERICAN CENTER FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS (NACEC)

* Dworkin
* Rymell (PA State Director)

NOVICE/TECH INSTRUCTION

* Adams, I
* Anderson
* Anthony
* Avnet (Fountain Valley, CA Instructor)
* Ayers
* Been
* Bouthillier (Coventry, RI)
* Boyd (Shasta County, CA)
* Branch
* Brown
* Buck
* Calvert
* Choate (AC/DC Theory, "Big Picture")
* Cieslak, C
* Cooke (Orillia, Ontario, Canada Instructor, Rules and Regulations)
* Crenshaw (New Ham Partner WWW Page)
* Czaikowski
* Danaher
* DeWolf (Ottowa Valley, Canada Instructor)
* Dibble (Novice/Tech CW and Theory, Delton, MI)
* Dworkin
* Edinger
* Emm
* Forman
* Gieszczykiewicz
* Gray
* Harris
* Henderson (CW/Theory Classes and Practical Antenna/Operating Assistance in Western NC)
* Hill (CW Learning Hints)
* Hockaday (CW and Novice through General)
* Hornberger (Novice through General, St. Louis, MO)
* Johnson, D (Classes for 5 or more students, Tarrant/Parker/Wise Counties of North Texas)
* Kincaid (St. Leonard, MD)
* Knott (Colorado Springs, CO)
* Lacouture (Franklin, MA)
* Lacy (NuTest and NuMorse Ham Training Software for Windows)
* Larson
* Lavin (Uncle Bob's Radio School)

* Learned (Warren, MI)
* Maia (W5YI Group Education Division)
* Mello (USAF Electronics Instructor, Over 20 Years Experience in Electronics)
* Morris
* Mosher (Salem, OR)
* Nichols (Gaithersburg, MD)
* Paperman
* Parker (Australia, Novice Notes Online WWW Page)
* Pitts (Anacortes, WA)
* Quick
* Redding, J
* Reeves
* Richardson, G (Santa Barbara, CA)
* Riddell (Kentucky)
* Roberson (Arab, AL)
* Rosenfeld (Burtonsville, MD)
* Rymell
* Schaefer (Sandy, UT, Classes)
* Scholz
* Sefranek (Shirley, MA, Elmer Sessions every Monday Night)
* Smith, D (Orem, UT)
* Smith, J
* Sohl, R
* Stern
* Stetson (Essex Junction, VT Classes)
* Twigger (Amateur Radio Exam Practice WWW Page)
* Veach (Novice/Tech Classes, Lawrenceville, GA)
* Wagner
* Wetzel
* Winchell (Orange, CA)
* Winward (Whitehouse Station, NJ)

PACKET AND DIGITAL NETWORKING

* Ackermann (including TCP/IP, TAPR, Net-SIG, Kantronics D4-10 19.2kBaud Radio Modems, Linux/TNOS BBS, Linux Native-AX.25 Switch, Duplex Repeaters for 9600 and 19.2kBaud, Joint IP Coordinator for Ohio Subnet, Author of Wireless Networking Books)
* Angus (TCP/IP, NOS, UUPC, Tnet, and SNEWS, SCO Xenix, Windows 95, IP Coordinator for CA - LA County Subnet)
* Beech
* Bloom (ARRL CNC Contact)
* Boccardi (including APRS)
* Bouthillier
* Boyce (Linux, TCP/IP using WAMPES-adapted LNET)
* Caserta
* Cieslak, C
* Coffman (GRAPES 56 kBaud Radio Modems)
* Cole (TCP/IP and NOS)
* Cox (including MARS)

* Crenshaw
* Czaikowski
* Dawson (Linux HAM and AX.25 HOWTO's, IP Coordinator for Sydney, Australia, Internet Gateways)
* Di Mattia
* Dodell (IP Coordinator for AZ Subnet)
* Duba (Philippines)
* DuBois (including OSI, Protocol Development, Internetworking, and Standards)
* Estey (TAPR North American Digital Systems Directory WWW Page)
* Forman
* Goldstein (TAPR TNC-2 Firmware, Packet Radio and TAPR WWW Server)
* Gray
* Hamilton
* Hendershot
* Huntting (KaWin WWW Page)
* Johnson, D
* Jones (TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives, Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Karn (SQPSK Software Modem for Amateur Satellites)
* Leynes (TCP/IP)
* Lipscomb (Germany)
* Mann (Wearable Computing using GRAPES 56 kBaud Radio Modems)
* Meredith (AZ VHF/UHF Digital Coordinator, F6FBB Packet BBS Mailing List and Support BBS)
* Myers (including TCP/IP)
* Neeson
* Nerenberg (TCP/IP)
* Nichols
* Nickolaus (IP Coordinator for Nebraska Subnet, F6FBB BBS Sysop, TheNet Node Operator, Regional Packet Symposium Organizer)
* Pinheiro (Portugal)
* Pozzi (Argentina)
* Redding, J
* Reynolds (TCP/IP over HF)
* Richardson, G
* Richardson, H
* Richardson, W
* Rymell
* Schleck (MACA)
* Scribner (Maine)
* Seiler (9600 Baud Digital Satellites)
* Seney (Macnet)
* Short (including BitBucket Specialized Techniques Mailing List)
* Smith, J
* Sproul, K (APRS)
* Sproul, M (APRS, including WWW Page)
* Stannard (TCP/IP, JNOS, IP Coordinator for AK subnet)
* Stetson
* Thomas (TCP/IP, TNOS, JNOS, Gracillis PackeTen, Vice President of

Chicago, IL Area Packet Radio Association, NetRom Node Sysop)
* Vail (TCP/IP, TAPR/9600)
* Vidal (Spain, 1200 Baud and 9.6 kBaud)
* Wagner (including wiring TNC's to Radios, Custom Switchboxes,
etc.)
* Watters
* Wetzel
* Williams

PART-15 BROADCASTING

* Brooks
* Browne
* Eisenberg
* Hendershot
* Ornitz
* Richardson, G

POWER SUPPLIES

* Adams, I
* Anderson
* Ayers
* Bouthillier
* Boyce
* Buck
* Cieslak, C
* Gieszczykiewicz
* Gray
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Kasper
* Mello (Homebrew)
* Morris
* Morrissey (Homebrew)
* Nugent
* Petri
* Quick
* Richardson, G
* Roberson
* Ruggiano
* Sefranek
* Shears
* Sohl, R
* Taubman
* Winward

PRODUCT INFO/FEEDBACK

* Beech (Military Surplus Equipment WWW Page)
* Coffman (GRAPES 56 kBaud Radio Modems)
* Colwell (Advanced Computer Controls and Link Communications

Repeater Controllers Mailing Lists)
* Dawson (Linux HAM and AX.25 HOWTO's)
* deVolpi (AmSoft and World of Ham Radio Product Announcements Mailing List, WWW Page, and FTP Archive)
* Douglas (DF Systems WWW Page)
* Gunton (Microwave Components/Techlock Distributing WWW Page)
* Hodgdon (Military and Surplus Equipment, Law Enforcement Communications and Electronics)
* Huntting (KaWin WWW Page)
* Jones (TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives, Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Kruzic (ICOM America WWW Page)
* Lacy (NuTest and NuMorse Ham Training Software for Windows WWW Page)
* Lloyd (QRZ! Ham Radio CDROM, FTP Archive and WWW Page)
* Luszcz (Macintosh Shareware, including MacMultiMeter)
* Moell, J (Radio Direction Finding Equipment)
* Muncey (Terry Muncey dba Radio Era Schematics and Documentation Archives WWW Page)
* Paperman (Manuals, Service Information, and Literature)
* Rhea (Icom 706, 735, and 726)
* Rippel (Secretary, Collins Collectors Association, Collins Mailing List)
* Sarrio (Raymond Sarrio Company WWW Page)
* Seney (Macnet, including Anonymous FTP Archive and WWW Page)
* Strobel (K6PBT Dealer Directory WWW Home Page)

QRP (LOW POWER)

* Bouthillier
* Buydens
* Caserta
* Croce
* Dworkin
* Edinger
* Emm (including Colorado QRP Club WWW Page)
* Halbert (Homebrew)
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Learned
* Lowman
* Miller
* Myers
* Parker (including Homebrew)
* Petri
* Pitts
* Quick
* Richardson, G
* Rosenfeld
* Ruggiano
* Rymell

* Shears
* Sohl, R
* Stern
* Stocking (Homebrew)
* Winward
* Zurn

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION (QCWA)

* Boyd
* Brooks
* Buck (Hawaii)
* Cieslak, C
* Czaikowski
* Lowman
* Nickolaus
* Richardson, G
* Walsh (WWW Page)
* Winward

RADIO AMATEURS OF CANADA (RAC)

* Cooke (Ontario South Region Assistant Director)
* Pulfer (Treasurer, Webmaster, and WWW Page)

RADIO CONTROL (RC)

* Anderson
* Bouthillier
* Buck (Sailplanes)
* Gieszczykiewicz
* Kasper
* Ruggiano
* Shears
* Taubman
* Winward

RADIO FREQUENCY INTERFERENCE (RFI)

* Adams, I
* Anderson
* Avnet
* Ayers
* Bouthillier
* Brooks
* Coffee
* Danaher
* Eisenberg
* Elmore
* Forman
* Gray
* Hare (including Automotive, Telephone, and Cable Television)
* Harper

* Harris
* Hendershot
* Henderson (Local Club RFI Chairman)
* Hennigan (Principal Area of Expertise)
* Hockaday
* Lacouture
* Mello
* Nichols
* Nutter
* Orcutt
* Paperman (including Signature Analysis)
* Preston
* Roberson
* Ruggiano
* Rymell
* Sefranek
* Shears (including Telephone)
* Sohl, R
* Stanley
* Taubman
* Thomson (Telephone and Lightning Protection)

RADIO SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN (RSGB)

* Aydogmus, B
* Aydogmus, N
* Dalziel (HQ and Repeater Management Committee WWW Pages)

RECIPROCAL LICENSING/FOREIGN OPERATION

* Andrews, D (New Zealand)
* Bertolino (Italy)
* DeWolf (Belize and Canada)
* Komppa (Foreign Licensing WWW Page)
* Lipscomb (U.S. Amateurs Operating in Germany)
* Lynch (Foreigners Operating in Japan)
* Stern (Spain)
* Witte (Japan)
* Zurn (Italy and Germany)

REPEATERS

* Ackermann (Duplex Packet, 9600 and 19.2kBaud)
* Adams, I
* Avnet (Building and Maintaining)
* Ayers
* Bouthillier
* Brooks
* Cieslak, C
* Colwell (Advanced Computer Controls and Link Communications
Repeater Controllers Mailing Lists)
* DeWolf (Repeater Linking, St. Lawrence Valley Repeater Council

Frequency Coordinator, Past President of the Champlain Regional Repeater Association)
* Gray
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Hockaday (10 meters through 900 Mhz, including ATV)
* Kincaid
* Mello (Building and Cavity Tuning)
* Nichols
* Richardson, G
* Riddell
* Rymell (President of the Bald Eagle Repeater Association, Pennsylvania)
* Schaefer
* Sefranek
* Seiler (1.2 GHz ATV)
* Smith, J
* Sohl, R
* Springman
* Wetzel
* Wilkins (including UHF)
* Witte (VHF and UHF)

SAFETY

* Boccardi (Electrical/Grounding)
* Crenshaw (Electrical)
* Danaher (RF)
* Forman (RF)
* Gieszczykiewicz (Electrical)
* Gray (Chemical and Electrical)
* Hare (RF Exposure Regulations)
* Harris (Electrical and RF)
* Hendershot (Electrical and RF)
* Hennigan (Electrical and RF)
* Kolb (Electrical)
* Lacouture (Electrical and RF)
* Nutter (Electrical)
* Ornitz (Chemicals, Toxic Materials, Antique/Boatanchor Refurbishing)
* Paperman (RF)
* Richardson, G (RF)
* Richardson, H
* Robinson (Chemical)
* Ruggiano
* Salnick (Chemical)
* Scholz (Electrical)
* Shears (Electrical and RF)
* Smith, D (Electrical)
* Stanley (RF)
* Taubman (RF)

* Turner (Software)
* Winward (Electrical)

SATELLITES/ORBITAL SATELLITE CARRYING AMATEUR RADIO (OSCAR)/SHUTTLE AMATEUR RADIO EXPERIMENT (SAREX)

* Anderson
* Bauer (OSCAR, AMSAT VP for Manned Space Activities, Chief Member of SAREX Working Group, NASA/SAREX WWW Page)
* Beech (including PACSAT's)
* Bertolino (RadioSputniks and DOVE Telemetry)
* Bouthillier (OSCAR)
* Hendershot
* Karn (SQPSK Software Modem)
* Lacouture (OSCAR)
* Lipscomb
* Marchant (OSCAR, SAREX School Group Technical Mentor)
* Morris
* Nichols
* Nutter (SAREX)
* Redding, T (SAREX)
* Richardson, G (OSCAR)
* Seiler (Low and High Orbit, 9600 Baud Digital)
* Stillinger
* Vekinis (Picosat System and WWW Page)
* Williams (Extra-Terrestrial Amateur Satellites and Probes Mailing List)
* Williamson (InstantTrack, OrbitDRV, AMSAT Services)

SCOUTING

* Ammar
* Goldberg (ScoutRadio WWW Page)
* Rymell (Radio Merit Badge Counselor)
* Sohl, B (Radio Merit Badge Counselor)

SEARCH FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL INTELLIGENCE (SETI)

* Miller
* Shuch (SETI League Executive Director and WWW Page)
* Smit (WWW Page)
* Stern

SEMINARS/LECTURES

* Anderson
* Ayers
* Boccardi
* Calvert
* Emm
* Hendershot
* Henderson
* Humphries

* Johnson, D
* Lacouture
* Nickolaus (Nebraska Packet Symposiums and Regional Ham Radio Conventions)
* Paperman (EMI/RFI)
* Redding, T (Club Growth Techniques)
* Richardson, G
* Richardson, H
* Robinson
* Rosenfeld
* Schaefer
* Sussman (Speaker and Host of PACTOR Forum at Dayton Hamvention)
* Watters

SPREAD SPECTRUM

* Bible (WWW Page)
* Brooks
* Hendershot
* Jones (TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives, Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Karn
* Taubman

TELEVISION, FAST-SCAN (ATV)

* Hammill
* Hendershot
* Hockaday
* Larson
* Nichols
* Pawson (British Amateur Television Club WWW Page)
* Richardson, G
* Ruh (ATV Quarterly)
* Seiler (1.2 GHz, including Portable)
* Short (BitBucket Specialized Techniques Mailing List)
* Sohl, R

TELEVISION, SLOW-SCAN (SSTV)

* Cieslak, C
* Langner (including FAQ and WWW Page)
* Short (including BitBucket Specialized Techniques Mailing List)
* Sohl, R

TOWERS

* Avnet (and Grounding Systems)
* Aydogmus, B
* Aydogmus, N
* Bouthillier
* Gray
* Harper

* Harris
* Hockaday
* Morrissey
* Richardson, G
* Roberson
* Ruggiano
* Scholz
* Schumacher
* Sefranek
* Sohl, R
* Thompson
* Veach
* Winchell

TUCSON AMATEUR PACKET RADIO (TAPR)

* Ackermann (Net-SIG Mailing List, Vice President, and Board Member, Author of Wireless Networking Books)
* Bible (Spread Spectrum WWW Page)
* Bourne
* Estey (North American Digital Systems Directory WWW Page)
* Goldstein (WWW Page, TNC-2 Firmware)
* Jones (TAPR President, WWW Pages, FTP Archives, Mailing Lists, and Membership Info)
* Nichols
* Pitts

UNIX AND CLONES

* Ackermann (including TNOS/Linux BBS and Linux Native-AX.25 Switch)
* Angus (including SCO Xenix TCP/IP and Sendmail)
* Beech
* Boyce (Linux)
* Buydens
* Carruth (System Administration, Phoenix, AZ Linux Users Group)
* Caserta (Linux)
* Cole (including Linux)
* Dawson (Linux HAM and AX.25 HOWTO's)
* DuBois (SysV Kernel, Applications, Device Drivers, and Networking)
* Gieszczykiewicz
* Harris
* Kasper
* Myers
* Nerenberg (especially System Administration, Networking, and Electronic Mail)
* Pitts
* Reeves
* Rhea
* Sefranek
* Stern
* Stocking

* Thomson
* Tynkov (Russia)
* Waller
* Williams (including Programming)

VERY HIGH FREQUENCY (VHF)/ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY (UHF)

* Ammar
* Anderson
* Avnet (VHF/UHF and Repeaters)
* Ayers
* Beech (VHF/UHF)
* Bouthillier (VHF)
* Brooks (VHF/UHF)
* Caserta (VHF)
* Coffee (6 meters and Contests)
* Di Mattia
* Eisenberg
* Emm
* Forman
* Gapinski (VHF CW Meteor Scatter)
* Gray
* Hammill (including ATV, Weak Signal, and DX)
* Harper
* Harris
* Hendershot
* Hockaday (6m, 2m, 1.25m, 70cm, 33cm, 23cm, FM, Repeaters, and Weak Signal)
* Humphries (2m FM)
* Larson (Weak Signal)
* Lau (CW/SSB to 222 Mhz)
* Lowman
* Mello (VHF/UHF, including Mobile and Repeaters)
* Miller (VHF/UHF)
* Morris
* Myers
* Nichols
* Nugent
* Petri (Weak Signal)
* Pitts (VHF)
* Pozzi (Argentina)
* Redding, J (VHF/UHF)
* Reynolds (VHF/UHF)
* Rhea (VHF, including 6 Meters)
* Richardson, G
* Rodriguez
* Ruggiano (VHF/UHF)
* Rymell (VHF)
* Sefranek (VHF)
* Silva
* Smith, J

* Sohl, B (VHF)
* Sohl, R (UHF)
* Stanley
* Stillinger
* Taubmano (VHF/UHF)
* Thomson (Commercial VHF and UHF)
* Warth (VHF)
* Wilkins (UHF Propagation and California Amateur VHF Enthusiasts
WWW Page)
* Winchell
* Winward
* Witte (including VHF and UHF Repeaters, Portable, Mountaintopping,
and Colorado 14er Radio Event)

VOLUNTEER EXAMINER (VE) AND INDUSTRY (COMMUNICATIONS) CANADA (IC) EXAMINER
PROGRAMS

* Amith
* Anderson (Laurel)
* Avery (Rochester, NY W5YI and ARRL VE)
* Avnet (Fountain Valley, CA W5YI Contact and ARRL VE)
* Ayers (ARRL and W5YI)
* Boccardi (ARRL)
* Bouthillier
* Boyd (ARRL and W5YI)
* Branch (Central Alabama)
* Brown (Naples, FL, ARRL)
* Buck (Hawaii, ARRL)
* Choate (Del Norte County, CA, W5YI Team Leader)
* Cieslak, C
* Coffee (ARRL)
* Colwell (ARRL and Other)
* Cooke (Industry Canada Designated Examiner)
* Czaikowski (ARRL)
* Danaher
* DeWolf (Industry Canada Designated Examiner)
* Dibble (ARRL and W5YI)
* Eade (W5YI)
* Edinger
* Eisenberg (W5YI)
* Emm (ARRL)
* Forman (ARRL and W5YI)
* Gray (ARRL and Arkansas Area Team Liaison)
* Hall, R
* Harper
* Hart (ARRL)
* Hendershot (W5YI)
* Henderson (WCARS, NCVEC Question Pool Committee Proofreader)
* Hennigan
* Hockaday (TEARA Team Liaison, Smithfield, NC)
* Jahnke (ARRL VEC Manager, Member of NCVEC Question Pool Committee)

* Kolb (ARRL and W5YI)
* Lacouture (ARRL)
* Lavin (ARRL, W5YI, et al)
* Learned (ARRL)
* Lipscomb (Eifel Region of Germany, ARRL)
* Littleton (ARRL and W5YI)
* Maia (W5YI VEC)
* Mello (ARRL and WCARS)
* Morrissey (ARRL)
* Mosher (ARRL)
* Nichols (ARRL, Laurel, and W5YI)
* Nutter (ARRL)
* Paperman
* Patton (Commanche, TX)
* Petri
* Pitts (ARRL)
* Reeves (ARRL)
* Richardson, G (ARRL)
* Richardson, H
* Riddell (WCARS)
* Roberson (Central Alabama)
* Rosenfeld (Laurel and W5YI)
* Schaefer (ARRL and W5YI, Dunedin ARA, UT)
* Scribner (Maine)
* Sefranek (ARRL, MA Contact)
* Smith, D (ARRL and W5YI)
* Sohl, B
* Stafford (ARRL)
* Stern
* Stetson (ARRL)
* Stocking (ARRL and W5YI)
* Veach
* Winchell

WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA (WIA)

* Murnane (New South Wales Division WWW Page)

WOMEN (YL)

* Aydogmus, N
* Cushman
* Hall, L (WWW Page)

YOUTH

* Adams, J
* Coffee
* Lacouture
* Leynes (Editor-in-Chief, Youthnet News)
* Nichols
* Roberson

* Wagner
* Winward

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530. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68ptvg$2be@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182515

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <01bd1936$0a704460$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>>Recent numbers posted her showed a net decline in the number of HF licensed
>>hams in the US

>Recent numbers posted here showed point data for one month only. One set of
>observations does not equal a trend. On the contrary, we see the number of
>licensed amateurs increased overall by over 30k in 1997. All license classes
>showed growth.
>MD

Sorry Mike, the numbers I posted reflected the net change over
the past 12 months (not just one month). For the record
here they are again and, in fact, only the EXTRA and No-Code
Tech saw growth. The Advanced, General and Coded Tech
all saw a net decrease. Additionally, the net increase in
total hams is only 7582 (not 30K as you state.

Thanks to the W5YI report, here are the latest statistics
for amateur licenses in the USA as of 12/1/97.

Total licensed hams: 719,341
This total is only 1.1% increased over last year at
the same time. The net increase is only 7582
over December 1, 1996.

Of the total, here's the breakdown by license class.

Extra: 75,694 an increase of 2176 which represents
an increase of 2.9%. The percent of all hams that
are Extra is now 10.5%, up from 10.3%.

Advanced: 112,482 a decrease of 1922 which represents
a decrease of 1.7%. The percent of all hams that
are Advanced is now 15.6%, down from 16.1%.

General: 124,415 a decrease of 2299 which represents
a decrease of 1.8%. The percent of all hams that
are General is now 17.3%, down from 17.8%.

Tech Plus: 147,559 a decrease of 782 which represents
a decrease of 0.5%. The percent of all hams that
are Tech Plus is now 20.5%, down from 20.8%.

Tech: 179,226 an increase of 18,636 which represents
a increase of 10.4%. The percent of all hams that
are Techs is now 24.9%, up from 22.6%.

Novice: 79,965 a decrease of 7582 which represents
a decrease of 10.3%. The percent of all hams that
are Novice is now 11.1%, down from 12.4%.

Some thoughts:
With the sole exception of the Extra class, all other
license classes with HF access have decreased.
Indeed, it can be seen that the total of all
hams with HF access has DECREASED by 12,054
over the last year. In the same time, the Tech
license (nocode) has increased by 18,636. This has
caused an over 2% shift in coded vs non-code hams.
Indeed, today, 1 in every 4 hams is a nocode ham.

The percent of hams with 13wpm or 20 wpm code
qualifications (Extra+Advanced+General)
is down to 43.5% from 44.3%.

Ultimately, these are not growth numbers that
bode well for amateur radio in the USA.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

531. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980105062701.BAA17908@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182516

In article <34AF4186.6C9A@no.net>, Bill <bill*@no.net> writes:

>> And one who will be laughing like hell when your hobby finally collapses
>from
> within and ceases to exist as you know it.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol
>CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Then we will all just move
>over to 11 meters and claim it back.

Good luck. You may have a slight problem with being outnumbered and
outpowered, though.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

532. [Q] Single Frequency FM Receivers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jack <jjreilly@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68pvgj$mmt@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182517

Can anyone direct me to a source for (physically small) single
frequency FM receivers?
Thanks!!

533. Kenwood TH75 mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: maktec <maktec@mclink.it>
Message-ID: <01bd19a7$429166a0$de806ec3@md9028.mclink.it>
Source record: 182518
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.b

Hi,

knows anybody if its possible to have a trasponder with TH75 Kenwood ? If yes, what are the rigth mods..

Please, replay me to: maktec@mclink.it

Thanks

73 de IW8DCQ

534. RE: CB SPAMBO's continuous rambles...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: chia@news.utk.edu
Message-ID: <68q4ie$6mj$1@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
Source record: 182519

Hmmm, "$500 or less" let me see here, the CHEAPEST monitor you could get would be about $180-200. Then if I go with a Pentium based cpu that is NOT one the worthless 60-90Mhz bugs that was throw out for the public to have to try and get a configuration in, and THEN I have to have a modem. I think that the modem is the cheapest part at the least about $40 for a worthless brand that will NEVER get a good connect at the true high speed it was sold at. Then you have to have Hard drive(s), at the least a floppy, oh you forgot RAM and then you MIGHT get on the Net. That is if you want to support AOL or some other crap that is trying to "keep" up with the NEW digital lines. Oh do you want digital InterNET then we need to get a REAL modem first that would be $200+ EASY alone. Oh but wait I guess you mean go to a garage sale and buy some piece of crap that no one else wants. Then pay all these people monthly to get access (AS LONG as the LINES are NOT BUSY!) No thanks I would rather talk to people via. radio that will be able to TALK back not hide behind their keyboard and spit out random garbage that ends in no meaning. Oh yeah and eventually you will want a faster cpu that changes the price again, so please show me a REAL INTERNET computer for $500 or LESS! There is not one... not worth having IMO

535. Re: 5 WPM Code requirement....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: fred@inti.net
Message-ID: <883991925.663289860@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182520

In article <68oq44$t17@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>,
"Glenn" <glennmiller@worldnet.att.net> wrote:
>
>
> There is no provision for substituting a sending test for a receiving test.
> So, if someone passes a code examination simply by sending CW with no
> receiving test involved, the examiners are in violation of the testing
> procedures.
>

It depends on how one interprets the rules. Part 97 does not specify
testing proceedures. 97.503 as you say does require the applicant be able
to copy by ear code at a given speed, but the means of determining that
is left strictly up to the examining VE's and their VEC. The rules
provide no specific proceedure for substituting a sending test in lieu of
a receiving test but on the other hand the rules do not enjoin such
substitutions. Some VEC's may have policies in this regards, but
ultimately it is up to the examining VE's in the field to determine a
candidate's qualifications with respect to the code elements.

.........Fred

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

536. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: David- <david084@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net>
Source record: 182521
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

>
> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
> wrote:
>
> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave oven already
> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general public seems
> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two decades, in spite
> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).

Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
while its operating?

537. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B0CB9C.AF5@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182522
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote...
>
> I think you are attempting to tilt the playing field in the
> direction of your personal biases. There are many engineer/
> experimenters who hold Extra class licenses-fully code tested- and
> disagree completely with your assesment.

REPLY...

I doubt many experts in the RF engineering field would waste their time learning Morse code.

The only possible place they could use it would be in the Amateur radio bands. All the other radio services (military, government, public service, and business) have all virtually given up on Morse code as a means of communications.

Heck, for that matter, I doubt many engineers at Yeasu, Icom, or Kenwood, Japan Radio, or the other Amateur radio companies, waste time learning code (or even get a ham radio license) today. It is certainly not necessary for their career, even when designing Amateur radios.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

538. Re: Majority Says "Bye Bye Morse". Cult Followers Mourn.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: w0sxi@pop.primenet.com
Message-ID: <34b0d6a0.42187941@news.primenet.com>
Source record: 182523

On 2 Jan 1998 20:28:59 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:
I personally believe that they should keep the ITU minimum requirement
of 5 wpm morse code. If they keep this requirement, I'd not argue one
bit, as everyone should be able to learn 5 wpm morse code.
Bill Eads, W0SXI
>Please don't take this post as onother biased and rabid argument for (or
>against) continuing the morse code requirement. This is not meant to be more
>vitriol. I am just trying to prepare all us practitioners of the dark art of CW
>to accept the inevitable. After all, Morse code is pretty old-fashioned
>technology. It is an arcane art mastered by only an elite few. There are many
>more efficient modes than CW, and CW holds back the progress of Ham Radio
>technology since it doesn't require upgraded protocols and hardware/software
>implementation every few years. It is not fair to force those with no interest
>in this outdated art to master a skill that it literally takes weeks of hard
>study to learn. A lot of new hams are intimidated by the code, realizing what
>a useless but insurmountable obstacle it is, and so the code requirement has
>not only kept new blood from getting into the hobby, but it has also kept
>Technicians with a lot of time and money invested in Amateur Radio from
>progressing. We need new blood into the hobby, and we can't afford to let us
>elitist traditionalists stand in the way of progress. I therefore back down
>from my previous position that the CW requirement must stay in effect.
>However, we must prepare ourselves for the consequences of dropping CW.
>
>When (not"IF"... the day will come. the question is WHEN) the code requirement
>is abolished, how many new hams will bother to learn the code? About the same
>number who build their own rigs now, i think. After 15 or 20 years, the
>majority of even Extra class licensees will be no-coders. Once they are a not
>so silent majority, somebody is gonna wake up to the situation with the
>overcrowded fone bands vs the still peaceful non-fone bands and say "Hey! That
>outmoded old CW stuff went out the window back when the Coast Guard stopped
>guarding 500Kc! The FCC finally acknowledged it when they dropped the code
>requirement and I could get a lcense, too. We still got these old
>foot-dragging, progress-hating brass-mashers hogging up all the good spectrum.
>Let's get it!" Then the feds will bow to popular opnion and open all the bands
>up to fone ops once and for all. After all, the majority will be in favor of
>it, and treaties be damned. I am uncomfortable with the idea of hearing fone
>guys complaining about my beedly-beeps interfering with their QSO on 14010.
>but I guess I'll just have to roll with the tide and become a mic worshipper
>too. I'll make a nice plaque for mounting my favorite key on. It will make a
>nice display, adding a touch of old-fashioned charm to the shack.
>
>With the bands completely opened up, I predict an increase in the number of ops
>who memorized the questions to pass their license exam and really don't know
>too much except maybe where the band edges are and how to trim a dipole. When

>we have reached this point, by and large we WILL be just cb-ers who can install
>our own equipment without help.
>
>When we have reached THIS point, may as well not have an exam at all. Many
>clear thinkers of that day to come will insist that the testing requirement is
>totally irrelevant, as are multiple classes of license, since anybody can
>memorize enough to pass whatever level of license they desire. The majority
>will see the logic, and the feds will be forced to act again for the betterment
>of the hobby after dragging their foot for a few years. RTTY, AMTOR, Packet,
>and all the other data modes along with CW transmissions, will be outlawed.
>Data is more efficiently transmitted over the internet anyway, and the modes
>will just require too many old-fashioned, antiquated skills. Finally, all
>those interfering "beedle-beedle-beedle" and cricket chirping sounds will be
>eliminated, and it will be just talk, talk, talk. That complicated stuff has no
>more relelvance in modern communications than spark! Want nostalgia? get a
>jungle drum.
>
>Mail-in no-test licensing will be convenient, and popular, and will bring in
>hundreds of thousands of new hams. Finally, the amateur bands are almost as
>free as God intended them to be! Freedom to express yourself, freedom of
>speech, long repressed on the bands, will be joyously celebrated by the
>downtrodden who have fought all the long years to throw off the heavy hand of
>the FCC and those hateful, elitist pro-exam nuts. The QRP homebrewer fanatics
>will be silenced by a very sensible law requiring all equipment used on the air
>be type-accepted, i.e. made in a factory where the manufacturer can ensure that
>no skill is needed to get on the air and talk, talk, talk. Band selection
>should be automatic, and power level set at the maximum the built-in power
>supply can handle. An HF all-bander will have a thousand preset simplex
>channels for the auto-propogation channel-picker-outer to choose from. The only
>user-adjustable control will be the on/off switch, the "volume" knob, and the
>push-buttons for background music and sound effects.
>
>Finally the big day will come. The courts will recognize that everybody,
>licensed or not, is entitled to equal use of the amateur bands. FCC licenses
>will continue to be proudly displayed by the old-timers who had to take a 10
>question true/false test to earn them. The same old-timers will collect such
>curiousities as Volt-meters, grid dip meters, oscilloscopes, soldering irons,
>and the like, and as they die the newest craze, collecting antique ham gear
>from the pre-freedom days will take off. The FCC, in alarm, will impose heavy
>fines on posession of old fully user-adjustable transceivers and transmitters
>that have not had their finals removed and connectors filled with a
>type-accepted epoxy based compound at an authorized factory.
>
>New employment opportunities will open up for practitioners of the dark arts.
>There will be a big demand for technicians who know how to plug everything
>together and make it work. These radio experts will take care of all the really
>mysterious stuff like installing a station GND, whatever the hell that stands
>for, and connecting an antenna properly. Once the radio nerd is done, paid, and
>gone, the proud station owner will have a station capable of transmitting a
>signal clear to the other side of the globe... of course with all the QRM

>nobody will understand the words, but it will still be comforting to know that
>one's voice can help contribute to the joyous unintelligible babble all the way
>in Ulan Bator. Radio will truly be making the world a smaller, friendlier
>place!
>
>Finally, the day will come when some ham, browsing through an antique ham radio
>shoppe will see a dusty old set, one of the really old ones ordered disabled by
>the FCC because the continuously variable tuning permitted off-channel
>transmission. The ham of the day will notice an opening on the back panel
>cryptically labeled "KEY",and wonder why the ancient, long dead owner though it
>was necessary to lock up his AB.
>
>73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

539. Re: internet vs ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b07078.12260588@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182524

On 4 Jan 1998 21:41:18 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104104852.11374G-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
>jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) writes:
>
>>I prefer building my radios and communicating without having to
>depend upon
>>others to provide the path. Propagation is free.
>
>Only because Bill Clinton has not yet found a way to tax it. Give him time.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

TAX IT!
Hell no, he'll sell it first!
According to our current congressional thinking:
Selling Radio Spectrum = Less National Debt

Most of us know how that game is played and that it really hasn't made
a noticeable bite in the debt; but tell that to Joe Average who thinks
every herringbone pattern on his $99 color tv is from the ham down the
street. I can see it now in the newspapaper, "Congress collects money
to balance national debt while eliminating interference on your tv!"

mini-rant complete.

Howard
KE6MAK

540. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <uG9a8IAasNs0EwcJ@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182525

Some time ago I adapted my logging program, in conjunction with GI4WRJ, to be used with HAL a "screen talker". Robin GI4WRJ is a blind op and his use of the program amazed me. He had to write an environment for HAL to read the logger which is not a little difficult. As the hardware and HAL are very expensive I wonder if later developments have made things less expensive for the blind ham. I have been thinking of making a talking version of my program using the SoundBlaster as a more economic answer.
So far I have not been able to locate any info on generating speech with a sound card but I am sure I will. Would this be a worthwhile exercise? I would be interested in constructive comment. You can find my website at http://www.kay-dee.demon.co.uk. for free and budget software.
73 all

Don Ward G0MDO

541. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34B0DF9C.635C@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 182526
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Doug, N0LKK wrote:

> I can't fault the newly licensed Tech's. They received damn little
> encouragement from the established Amateur community and much worse
> nothing from the ARRL.

Lumpy writes:
When I was a newly licensed tech, I got plenty of help from both the established amateur community and the ARRL. Classes, VE testing etc are all from the established amateur community. These are all gratis by the VE testers and class instructors. There is rarely a new tech who does not utilize VE testing.

When i first 'tech'd' the ARRL sent me several free publications, software etc. As well as maintains an absolutely free website where new tech's can get tons of information. All of this without even joining.

I'm not sure what you mean by damn little encouragement.???

Lumpy

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Lotza Ham Linx
http://www.digitalcartography.com/ham.htm

542. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Krehbiel <rich@kastle.com>
Message-ID: <ud8i7dqc9.fsf@kastle.com>
Source record: 182527
Cross-posted to: bit.listserv.c370-l,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.lang.c

I'll endeavor to make the enclosed program have some definition
according to the Blessed Almighty ISO C Standard:

michelc@jeeves.be (Michel Castelein) writes:

> /* This C program runs in MS-DOS, in remembrance of MORSE,
> officially deceased the 1 January 1998. */
> #include <dos.h>

"dos.h" is not a standard header. Only standard headers may be
surrounded by < >. Omit this.

> #include <string.h>
> #include <stdio.h>
> #include <ctype.h>
> #define NUL '\0'
> #define FREQ 900U /* unsigned frequency (in Hertz) */
> #define TU 80U /* unsigned time_unit (in ◆seconds) */

What are "◆seconds"? My newsreader shows an "ae" character before
"seconds". I assume you mean "milliseconds", such that 80 ms would be
eight hundredths of a second. And BTW that "◆" character can't be
used in portable C source, even within a comment, although I know of
no implementation that notices illegal characters in comments.

>
> void dot(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(TU); nosound(); }
>
> void dash(void) { sound(FREQ); delay(3*TU); nosound(); }

You do not have adequate definitions for the sound(), delay(), and
nosound() functions. Presumably you expected their declaration to
come from dos.h. I'll just write replacements.

True portable time delays are impossible (as we shall see) but I think
this is about the best that can be done. Error checking is omitted;
clock() may return (clock_t)-1 to indicate no working clock is
available, but if you don't have a working clock() then nothing can be
done, and in the most likely implementations, (clock_t)-1 could be an
expected return value (where clock_t is unsigned long, the underlying
timer contains ULONG_MAX and is about to overflow). Similarly,
avoiding overflow from (clock() - start) can't be done either, since
the standard only defines clock_t as some arithmetic type. The
greatest likelyhood is that clock_t is unsigned and the subtract will
properly wrap around when the clock() counter overflows. Also,

nothing can be done about timing precision, but usually CLOCKS_PER_SEC
is at least 10 and will suffice.

So my delay() routine might not work, but it's written in the
standard's own terms, and it probably *will* work.

```
#include <time.h>

void delay(unsigned int tu)
{
long ticks;
clock_t start;

/* Convert tu in milliseconds to clock ticks */
ticks = CLOCKS_PER_SEC * tu / 1000;
if(ticks == 0) /* If it's too brief then delay at least one tick */
ticks = 1;

start = clock();
while(clock() - start < ticks)
;
}
```

sound()? The only thing the standard says is that the character '\a'
represents an alarm character which may (or may not) produce an
audible sound, so that's what I'll use. If it doesn't work then
nothing can be done.

```
void dot(void) { putchar('\a'); fflush(stdout); delay(TU); }
void dash(void) { putchar('\a'); fflush(stdout); delay(TU*3); }

>
> void delim(unsigned int n)
> { /* space between the signals forming the same letter = 1 TU
> space between two letters = 3 TU's
> space between two words = 7 TU's */
> delay(n*TU);
> }
>
> void main(void)
```

Everybody knows this one.

```
int main(void)

> {
> int c;
> size_t i, j;
> char user_input[81];
> char *ptrs[256];
>
> memset(ptrs, '\x00', 256 * sizeof(char *));
```

Do not initialize pointers using memset(, 0,) and expect them to be
NULL. It is highly likely that they will be, and on DOS and Windows
platforms they *must* be, but the standard does not define any bit
patterns in pointers, and specifically "all-bits-zero" need not equal
(char*)0.

```
for(i = 0; i < 256; i++)
ptrs[i] = NULL;
```

```
> ptrs['A'] = ".-"; ptrs['N'] = "-."; ptrs['1'] = ".----";
> ptrs['B'] = "-..."; ptrs['O'] = "---"; ptrs['2'] = "..---";
> ptrs['C'] = "-.-."; ptrs['P'] = ".--."; ptrs['3'] = "...--";
> ptrs['D'] = "-.."; ptrs['Q'] = "--.-"; ptrs['4'] = "....-";
> ptrs['E'] = "."; ptrs['R'] = ".-."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
> ptrs['F'] = "..-."; ptrs['S'] = "..."; ptrs['5'] = ".....";
> ptrs['G'] = "--."; ptrs['T'] = "-"; ptrs['6'] = "-....";
> ptrs['H'] = "...."; ptrs['U'] = "..-"; ptrs['7'] = "--...";
> ptrs['I'] = ".."; ptrs['V'] = "...-"; ptrs['8'] = "---..";
> ptrs['J'] = ".---"; ptrs['W'] = ".--"; ptrs['9'] = "----.";
> ptrs['K'] = "-.-"; ptrs['X'] = "-..-"; ptrs['0'] = "-----";
> ptrs['L'] = ".-.."; ptrs['Y'] = "-.--";
> ptrs['M'] = "--"; ptrs['Z'] = "--..";
> ptrs['+'] = ".-.-."; ptrs['-'] = "-....-"; ptrs['='] = "-...-";
> ptrs['/'] = "-..-."; ptrs['?'] = "..--.."; ptrs['\''] = ".----.";
> ptrs['.'] = ".-.-.-"; ptrs[','] = "--..--"; ptrs[':'] = "---...";
>
> printf("Enter some data followed by EOF (i.e. Ctrl+Z):\n");
> for (i = 0; (c = getchar()) != EOF; i++)
> { user_input[i] = c; }
```

UNSAFE! You do not limit input to the length of the user_input
array! 80 characters is *likely* to be exceeded.

```
fflush(stdout);
i = fread(user_input, 1, sizeof(user_input)-1, stdin);
if(i < 0) /* Check for input error */
return 0;
```

(Without that loop, the variable "int c" is unused and the
declaration can be omitted.)

```
> user_input[i] = NUL;
>
> for (i = 0; i < strlen(user_input); i++)
> { char morse[] = {'\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0', '\0'};
>
> if ( isalnum(user_input[i]) || user_input[i] == '+'
> || user_input[i] == '-' || user_input[i] == '='
> || user_input[i] == '/' || user_input[i] == '?'
> || user_input[i] == '\'' || user_input[i] == '.'
> || user_input[i] == ',' || user_input[i] == ':' )
> strncpy(morse, ptrs[toupper(user_input[i])], 6);
>
```

```
> printf("%c = %s\n", user_input[i], morse);
>
> if ( morse[0] == NUL )
> delim(7);
> else { for (j = 0; j < strlen(morse); j++)
> { switch ( morse[j] )
> { case '-': dash(); delim(1); break;
> case '.': dot(); delim(1);
> }
> }
> delim(2); /* delim(1 + 2) */
> }
> }
>
> }
```

With these changes it compiles and runs on my system (Windows NT, MSVC 4.2, language extensions disabled) and produces plausible results.

What did I miss?

--
Richard Krehbiel, Kastle Systems, Arlington, VA, USA
rich@kastle.com (work) or richk@mnsinc.com (personal)

543. Handbook?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steve Carter <sjcarte@tconl.com>
Message-ID: <34B0E880.671C@tconl.com>
Source record: 182528

Hello
Can some tell me where I can get a copy of the Radio Am.Handbook
local (Omaha,NE) The bookstores have alot of copys of (Stuff for
dummys)
and (how to make money off chicken soup), but I got a funny look when I
asked for a copy of the current handbook.
Thank you
--

http://www.tconl.com/~sjcarte/ OPS Engine Info
http://members.aol.com/mutineers/Index.htm
http://members.aol.com/apba17/
Thanks Steve Carter

544. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34B11AF6.2E43@lni.net>
Source record: 182529

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <34B07A11.57CE@lni.net>, Al <daclark@lni.net> writes:
>
> >> Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's
> >fine.
> > > Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
> > >
> > >
> > >"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> > > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
> Just
> >one more cb'er from the chicken band clucking!
> Al
>
> And one who will be laughing like hell when your hobby finally collapses from
> within and ceases to exist as you know it.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Listen to yourself, are you really this stupid?
Al kd8z

545. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B0F99C.C38@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182530
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CrACKeD wrote: don't "force" him to learn the English language just to
> : post on an English language newsgroup! That's just like making Carl
> : learn CW to get on HF! Blasphemy!!!
>
> No, actually it's not. Maybe if there were an allocated "non-English"
> section inside an English newsgroup, but otherwise, it's not. Get it?
> And if you do, do you also get how this ties into the whole CW/HF issue?
>
> CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com>
>
Once again, CrACKed is at least bent, if not badly broken. I suppose
that we should accept indecipherable postings of a single individual in
crACKed, broken English as more than welcome. No one has slammed him
into the turf yet, just hinted that he make a better attempt to be
understandable. Other non-English posters here are able to do so. If he
cannot, he should at least understand that he needs to upgrade his
verbal English skills. Since it's obvious he doesn't understand this on
his own, it becomes necessary to inform him. And you see this as
anologous to making ham radio operators become minimally proficient in
one of the main communications modes that ham radio operators use. Yeh,
you're cracked alright. Why don't you join Amor Powers for some callsign
comparison?

546. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: michell5@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <68qvi1$l56@sjx-ixn10.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182531
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
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>>
>> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
>> wrote:
>>
>> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
oven already
>> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
public seems
>> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
decades, in spite
>> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
>
> Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
>while its operating?

I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter, are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating something you read somewhere?

I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any technical basis.

Michelle Hunt
Michell5@ix.netcom.com

547. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-05 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B0E1B8.4F9B3DA3@flash.net>
Source record: 182532

CBRambo wrote:

> And one who will be laughing like hell when your hobby finally collapses from
> within and ceases to exist as you know it.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

And when your done laughing? then what? Will the end somehow bring you satisfaction?. You'll be able to pat yourself on the back and say " yep I helped contribute to the collaps of ham radio " Something I'm sure you'll be proud to tell your grandchildren.

548. Re: Logging Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Pribble <dtburr@mcs.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1af1$72dd7b00$693f5fcc@dtburr.mcs.com>
Source record: 182284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I would also check out SmartLog, which has some very interesting features, including the ability to import almost any of your previous log files or contest program files. It's also less expensive than most, even though it does things the others won't do.

Their web site is http://www.lumisoft.com

It's a Windows program instead of a DOS program running under Windows as many of them are. The best thing to do is check them all out and compare 'em in terms of what you get for the money, IMO

Jim P.

Darrell Earnshaw <darrell.earnshaw@sap-ag.de> wrote in article <EMDnLx.BB8@sap-ag.de>...
> I concur. DX4WIN is one of the most advanced logging programs on the market
> today, and at the current price you can't complain.
>
> -- Darrell NR3Y/W6
>
> George Sereikas wrote in message <68j4mc$gp5@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> >For what it is worth I HIGHLY recommend DX4Win. I have used DXBase
> >(not the new Win95 version), LogWindows 3.0 and EQF. All of the other
> >programs are good, but in my opinion, the best overall is DX4Win. It
> >is only $69.95 and the best part is that updates are FREE and
> >downladable from the DX4Win Home Page. The support is GREAT....they
> >realy work to help you and they are fast and easy to communicate with.
>
> [snip...]
>
>
>
>

549. Re: FreeBand (FB) Radio Includes 12, 11, & 10 meters now.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: %AAEKE3S%@snds.com
Message-ID: <68ubfb$p022@sunburn.snds.com>
Source record: 182285
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

Hello,
I thought I might place a comment here.
The term "POLICING" would imply authority to follow through with an action to correct a situation. We as amateur radio operators are supposed to be a self-policing group. The FCC is "supposed" to enforce regulations that would include enforcement of Part 97 violations.
I've been an amateur only a couple years. What I have seen since becoming one are that most amateurs are a laid back and somewhat lazy lot. They are "VERY" quick to complain and bad mouth someone, but very slow to "police" infractions of the regulations that guide us.
I speak mostly from what I have expirienced from local 2 meter repeaters. In traveling around the country and talking to other hams, I figured out it's not just a local problem.
Now if most local amateurs can't or won't do anything to effectively locate or stop a local ham that violates the regulations. How exactly does one go about getting a HF amateur that may be 20 miles or 2000 miles away to stop being disruptive. Most of the junk I hear on HF exists because a callsign is being used as a faceless "Handle" to allow a person to say whatever they wish.
Locally I think clubs and amateurs should do more to control violations, and be given a legal way to do just that, without having to beg the FCC, ARRL, a senator, or write the spouse to the president.
On HF violations, the FCC and ARRL should be lambasted for their lack of concern, effort, or especially enforcement of Part 97 rules.
Could some knowledgable individual please tell me how we amateurs can effectively "SELF POLICE" ourselves, when the governing body can't or won't enforce their already existing regulations nor give us the effective power to do it ourselves. The ARRL is powerless and refuses to do anything and the FCC either has no funds or inclination to do anything except to the worst offendors or when it would make them able to recoup some $$$.
Until amateurs have the effective power to enforce regulations through some governing power without jumping through 43 different hoops and 10 years of regulations, the concept of our being "SELF POLICING" is an absolute joke.
My 2 cents....

Roger Sellers KB9LBU

In article <34a21d82.7554741@news.hargray.com>, kd4ygc@hotmail.com says...
>Very interesting that someone should bring this up.
>It brings to mind my get a new Radio.> However, Is that not what the
>Amateur Observer System is For FCC RULES REGUARDING HAM RADIO that WE ARE SELF POLICING.>

>
> If not I definately must have an out of date rule book. Even if it
>doen't shouldn't Common Sence Say that we
>should police ourselves if we really are interested in ham radio NOT WHY IN THE ---- DO WE BECOME ONE !> and in keeping ham radio
>alive and kicking through the next millenium so our
>children/grandchildren and the like will have the same enjoyment we
>do I will say it again WE MUST POLICE OUR SELVES AND
>CLEAN OUR OWN HOUSE BEFORE WE TELL OTHERS TO DO SO.
>
>KD4YGC
>Todd Maschino
>kd4ygc@hotmail.com
>http://www.geocities.com/capecanaveral/3519

550. Re: comment perhaps cutting a little too deep.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68uank$1pt$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182286

Someone wrote (and not to name names because it isn't needed so
I will use XXX instead):

> XXX wrote: "Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> they used such an outdated mode to call for help?"

Sad.... My heart goes out to the crew of the M/V OAK/C6MX8 that had
to recently experience that cold day in the water, and to all those
past that have gone down to the sea in ships.

> It almost brings tears to my eyes to believe that someone could pen
> such cold-hearted words. XXX wrote something similar some time
> ago in regard to another ship in distress that had called for help
> via CW on 500 kc (occured 1-2 years ago).

I concur, on the sensitivity of this issue.

It feel it was probably not intended in really being cold-hearted,
Jeff, but that folks have gotten a little testy over the code issues.
I will suggest that we all can be a little more easy on the issues.

That was probably the M/V Salvador Allende/UWAG sinking. All hands
save two were lost, and it was well documented on CNN and was a long
night on 500khz for those that happened to listen. For those that
have never heard the cold chill of an autoalarm firing, for real, and
the subsequent distress call, one might be a little more reverent
for those who have given their all, or been put by fate into that
peril of the sea. When one hears that sound, knowing exactly what
and why it is, it makes one take a deep breath and ``crawl down deep
into the tin cans'' as and old R/O once told me. I concur.

Jeff, here, has heard it and knows exactly what I mean.
I am sure there are past R/Os aboard with us that also have, too.
I have heard it, and it sends cold chills even today, when I
replay the tapes, occasionally for those with an interest.

> It's shameful that these two radio operators stain the exceptional
> history radiomen have displayed in their caring and concern for
> their fellow humans in distress at sea.

I would concur on this particular point, and be of the opinion that
we should be a little less heated on the code issues on the internet.

> Jeff KH2PZ/7 (former US Coast Guard radioman)

I sense it was done only in a joking mode, but it is still a
sensitive issue amongst some and not to be taken too lightly.
Let us all relax a little on the code issues folks, OK. Even today,

some seafarers lives still depend upon it, even though many on the internet unknowingly make light of it. It is not unusual for there to be some 50 major vessels lost in any given year. Out of that, many are still CW radiotelegraphy equipped, per the Safety of Life at Sea conventions, and appliccable ITU/IMO and national regulations. If they, for any reason, need to use the distress call on CW radiotelegraphy, support them in any way that you can, and wish them safe passage.

R.I.P. THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE DOWN TO THE SEA IN SHIPS

VA DE NA4G/BOB

551. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jerry Black <jb@gatewayone.com>
Message-ID: <34B2B1CC.B39F877D@gatewayone.com>
Source record: 182287

> The
> ARRL has turned into a bloated, wealthy bureaucracy which seems more
> intent on perpetuating itself and consolidating its power than it does
> in representing the best interests of the hobby.
>
> Of course, there is no real alternative, so it behooves the rank and
> file amateur to find some way of kicking them out of their rut and
> getting them more involved in moving the hobby into the new
> millennium.
>

OK, lets say you're right.

Now what's your plan? Lets hear it. And, I belong to the League.

> Also, if you're not a member of the League, you have no standing to
> complain about it.
> --
> glenq@cyberhighway.net
> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM
>
> http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

552. Noise Interference Reduction Unit

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmiller@fix.net
Message-ID: <34b2b05a.1457973@news.fix.net>
Source record: 182288

This is Harry Miller KB6CGG. A friend of mine N6KXS asked me to list this for him. He has a like new Noise Reduction Unit, Model #NRI-10 made by JPS Communications, Inc. This unit cost almost $400 new. They are a very good unit. It is like new. He is retiring from ham radio and would like to dispose of this unit. He has the manual for it. Price $135 plus UPS. If interested, you can contact me at hmiller@fix.net.

Tnx es 73, Harry Miller KB6CGG

553. FS: Packet terminal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave@omen.softnet.co.uk
Message-ID: <N.010698.225911.02@swhjz003>
Source record: 182289
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Thorcom packet terminal for sale with leads books e.t.c.
looks like the tiny 2 tnc, with built in mailbox..

located in the southwales area of the uk

80.00 o.n.o

Ps. Please reply direct to email address

554. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68ucd5$1pt$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182290

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
> iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:

> > Is a false alarm a failure?

> In my view, it is a failure. False alarms are so pervasive that
> bridge crews now routinely ignore GMDSS alerts because they only
> see false alarms, never a bona fide alert.

That is one reason to be very wary of the GMDSS. It has not really worked well under fire, from everything I have been able to find out. It will be touch and go after Feb 01, 1999, until it makes or breaks. I am hoping it will not take another Titanic affair to settle the issue.

> I've never heard of anyone ignoring an SOS on 500KHz, and the
> 15-18/45-48 minute arcs are still emblazoned in red on my shack
> clock, habit of 21 years of sea duty.

The mark of a real CW radiotelegraph station clock.....

Never, never, never would an R/O ignore that. He knows his own arse also may make use of it, someday. That is why the that old Morse CW system works..... everyone is listening. I'll scratch your back, today, and someday you can scratch mine..... it really does work, or it did.... Now, few are listening.....

When I am in the shack, of an evening, I still roll the dial to 500 when all is quiet elsewhere, or I am not in an active QSO. Although there is not a great deal going on there anymore, one can still hear the TFC LISTS and the WX bulletins go by occasionally, and a few 3rd world calls to shore stations in the night......but you have to listen rather carefully, as it is almost gone......

> 73, de Hans, K0HB

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

555. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68udii$1pt$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182291
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.policy Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> On 5 Jan 1998 18:24:03 GMT, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys"
> <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote:

> >You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio sets
> >can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore.

> > The designers don't have
> >a clue of what it is all about

> of course they don't have a clue. It's no longer (relatively))
> famous and effective way of communication in today's standards.

Not necessarily. It is still the bottom line mode of communication,
universally, and on ONLY that merit deserves better attention by the
manufacturers. But, so what......

Bob/NA4G

556. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68udp1$1pt$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182292
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.policy Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
> > <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote...
> >
> > You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio
> > sets can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore. The designers
> > don't have a clue of what it is all about --- they may have the
> > brains and the fancy Ph.D's, EE's or whatever, but they can't seem
> > to manage good QSK, compared to the Ten-Tec crew at a practical
> > level. I have always wondered why......

> REPLY...

> I won't dispute that Bob. It is probably far better for someone with
> actual experience to design the radio. But the bigger companies are
> building radios to be used all over the radio spectrum.

Well, CW is usable in any spectrum, last time I checked.

> For these companies, the Amateur radio market is only a tiny part of
> their business. And because it is such a small part of their business,
> it is unlikely that they would go out of their way to hire engineers
> with Amateur experience. That is not an excuse, only a fact.

Agreed. But, the principles of good CW were laid down decades ago.
It merely seems they have forgotten it, or made executive decisions
in lieu of it or such.

> But, in spite of that, you still have to give the "Kenicoyasawhooie"
> companies some credit. They are sticking with ham radio, even if it is
> not that large of a market. And they are building decent radios, even
> if they are not the very best designed radios. And, if you shop around
> enough, you can find a few sweet apples in the lackluster
> "Kenicoyasawhooie" orchard.

I do give them credit. I use one as a freqmetermonitor and occasional
vfo. In those functions it is great. But, on CW, well, nil good.

> By the way, I like Carl R. Stevenson's "YaesIcoWood" better than
> "Kenicoyasawhooie." Although "Kenicoyasawhooie" is not bad.

Both get the generic meaning across.....

> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

Bob/Na4G

557. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68uebv$9se$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <68tnd3rc1@arctic.discover.net>,
Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:

>>I wonder what would happen to amateur radio if everyone was able to "ban"
>>the aspects of the hobby they personally don't happen to like?
>
>We can, we can choose not to participate, and express why not. Other people
>with the same feeling will also choose not to participate.

Well, Baldy, that might be what you meant, but it isn't what you said.
You specifically said "...should be BANNED..." (emphasis mine).

Now, I don't care for RTTY, satellite, EME, packet, PACTOR, and a host
of other modes, nor do I particularly care for contesting (almost never
operate one) or paper-chasing (don't have a piece of paper in my shack other
than my license and world prefix map), but I would *never* suggest that
we ban *any* of these activities.

>I always thought
>there was more to ham radio than "CQ, Contest, CQ, Contest, CQ Feld Day, (your
>club call), copy Seven Alpha Orange, Seven Alpha Orange, Thank you, CQ...."
>I participated in this pointless excercise for 4 years, coming to the site
>after work and then working the field day station for 12 hours.

Sounds like you have a boring field day. I get to my field-day site at
10am, help raise the antennas, set up the HF and VHF stations, and then
break out the bar-b-que and start cooking lunch. Then I operate for a
couple of hours, cook supper, and then sit around in a lawnchair most of
the evening kicking back a few frosty ones, BSing with the fellas.
Field day is a social activity, and we treat it as such.

>Did it ever occur to you to mention that you snipped something out to change
>what I said? No, you would rather misquote me to try to prove your point!!
>I said CW is a great space-saver, if you or anybody else is inclined to use
>it, that's great!

I cut out the irrelevant part of your post (makes sense, rather than waste
bandwidth quoting your entire message.) Whether or not CW is a great space
saver is irrelevant to your argument, which is certain activities you
don't like (or are obsolete) should be banned.

>Using packet, I could send you the complete works of Shakespeare
>in a couple hours, 100% error free, what you get will be an exact copy of what
>I have....Try that with CW, how long will it take?

I've never tried, but in the amount of time it will take you to send me
the complete works of Shakespeare over packet, I can drive to Boston, buy
it at a bookstore, drive home, and be half-way finished reading my new book.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

558. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: armond@delphi.com
Message-ID: <BfWljKd.armond@delphi.com>
Source record: 182294

you'll never know. You have answered your own question. Since you never caught on to the magic that is "radio" there is no point in you worrying about it. When your phone line breaks you can read a software manual. So, don't sweat it.

559. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: armond@delphi.com
Message-ID: <JdfGjGc.armond@delphi.com>
Source record: 182295

SCO <sco@mindspring.com> writes:

>The Wild West indians here in the USA once used smoke signals but I
>doubt there are very many people now who could recognize a SOS smoke
>signal sent in Cherokee or Black Foot languages. Now the idians would
>probably use FRS or SSB or FM on 2m or 6m or maybe 20m.
>W4SCO

That would get you a big fat "F" in debate class. What you tried was
argument by analogy. The subject was lives being saved by CW. Argu the merits
of that case not try to "deflect" it with spurious comments about indians.

560. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stanley <so@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <34B2ED73.FF8@bigfoot.com>
Source record: 182296

CBRambo wrote:

> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the all-important Morse code
> examination. Unlike you and others like you who continue to stick their heads
> in the sand, however, I realize that continuing the requirement in 1998 does
> nothing to help...and in fact is hurting amateur radio.

And what class ticket do you have? What's the call? Quit hiding behind some fictious name and maybe we can take something you say a serious.
--
Sincerely, Stanley
Website: http://localsonly.wilmington.net/~stanley/

Unsolicited commercial e-mail is deleted by SMartMail.

561. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Burt <burt@innocent.com>
Message-ID: <68ul35$bgn@news-central.tiac.net>
Source record: 182297

babarum@hotmail.com wrote in message ...
>>I would appreciate if anyone could tell me what ham radio has to offer
>that computer/internet doesn't offer.

What ham radio offers is listed in detail below:

562. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ron Cole <thetetons@provide.net>
Message-ID: <34B2E40C.77E@provide.net>
Source record: 182298
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

tech wrote:
>
> It goes something like this....... No matter who makes it, every company
> gets a lemon or two, or perhaps a run of them, in their line up.
> It happens with cars, radios, etc.
>
> I have owned 3 RS 202's and know of others that own them , and have had
> little if any problems,.....

I have had my 202 for about 3 months and then the hi/lo power switch started to get touchy! I hooked the rig up to a power meter to test the output between low and high power. There was only about a 1 - 1 1/2 watt diff between high and low. My reflected power vs. forward power was also quite high. I took the radio in last week because the switch finally gave way. I hardly ever took it off of high power, except to hook it up to one of their 30 watt amps. On that note, I think the power amp is starting to go (only 1 month old). I get a lot of AC hum and I am using a regulated power supply.

I feel that in general most of their ham radios and components are cheaply made!

But, I LOVE my pro-62 scanner!

KC8HZX

563. NEED MANUAL COPIES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: WB8SPV <nobody@no.net>
Message-ID: <34B32086.6428@no.net>
Source record: 182299

Thanks for reading this!

I am trying to get two old radios back on the air but have no paperwork
for either one. If anyone can supply copies of the manuals for them I
will gladly reimburse their costs. Please reply to gtrustle@bright.net.

The rigs are: Wilson WE-800 SBE-34

Thank you for your help.

73,
WB8SPV

564. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET
Message-ID: <884140435.491126786@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182300

In article <34B1D93A.5876@scan.missouri.org>,
w0ex@scan.missouri.org wrote:
>
> Brian wrote:
>
> its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
> > free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
> > in to retirement.
> > 73, Brian/N0iMD
>
> When you've Elmered a few dozen newbies and ran a VE team for 8 years,
> come talk to me. Seems like it may be your turn.
>
> 73, Dick W0EX

DICK ANOTHER TECH.. just upset and getting
personal because he can't argue facts with you....
By the way .. what the heck kind of call is N0iMD !!
What is that suppose to be ???
8TT FOR RETURNING TO THE
AMATEUR RADIO STANDARDS WE
WERE ALL PROUD OF....

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

565. Help: FT736r modif for Packet 9600 Baud ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jean-Philippe <jpp@aix.pacwan.net>
Message-ID: <34B2515C.2D9D@aix.pacwan.net>
Source record: 182301

Hello

I loocking for the modif for the Yeasu FT763R for the packet radio
9600 Bauds ? Thank you very much for your Help.
Best 73's

Jean Philippe
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PUGLIESE Jean-Philippe / // /_/_// /_/_/
Emails : jpp@aix.pacwan.net __ / // / / /
jpax@hotmail.com /_/_/_//_/ /_/ PELICAN SOTWARES
Packet : F1USC@F6KED.FPCA.FRA.EU
ICQ : 3822032 IRC : JPHILIPPE (#France)
Tamtam : 06.01.24.08.38 (URL : http://www.tamtam.tm.fr)
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566. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68utcf$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182302

baldy@discovery.com (Baldy) wrote:

>It's interesting that ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or
>aircraft, and others in this NG are using commercial shipping distress as a
>reason for keeping code....Those advocating keeping code by giving examples of
>ships at sea don't seem to be telling stories about a ham who picked up a
>distress call and "saved the day".....

It's interesting that ham radio has nothing to do with the U.S. Coast Guard or
the U.S. militiary. Those advocating getting rid of code constantly use the
example that the aforementioned don't use CW any more, so hams shouldn't
have to use it either.....

But then again, this NG isn't ham radio. It's a forum for argument.

73, Jim KH2D

567. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68utl4$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182303

"KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:

>Code A Mode Of Operation
> #1 SSB is A Mode
> #2 Am Is A Mode
> #3 FM Is A Mode
> #4 SSTV Is A Mode
> #5 Amtor Pactor Packett Etc All Modes Of Operation
> #6 Repeater Operation Is A Type Of Operation
> #7 Satellite Operation Is A Type Of Operation

> Why Should We Have To Prove To Be Proficent In Cw Mode, But No Others
>Because Some Won't Let Dead Dogs Lye.

Why ? Cuz The FCC Says So. And Nobody From No Code International Has The Writing Abilities Or The Logic To Petition The FCC To Change The Rules.

It Has Nothing To Do With Letting Dead Dogs Lye. It Has To Do With Letting Dead Dogs On HF.

73, Jim KH2D

568. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68ut2s$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182304
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

baldy@discovery.com (Baldy) wrote:
> Using packet, I could send you the complete works of Shakespear
>in a couple hours, 100% error free, what you get will be an exact copy of what
>I have....

OK, go ahead. KH2D@KH2D.GUAM.USA.OC

>Try that with CW, how long will it take?

I don't know. I'll send it back to you when and it gets here, and we will time
it. Can you copy 35 wpm ?

73, Jim KH2D

569. FS: MFJ-9020 QRP Rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rod Logsdon <bike4life@bikerider.com>
Message-ID: <68ut8r$l4h@dfw-ixnews8.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182305

MFJ-9020 ... 20 mtr. CW QRP rig
MFJ-4112 ... Portable power pack for MFJ-9020

Asking $125.00 + shipping for both.

Rod Logsdon
WK9T

E-mail: bike4life@bikerider.com

570. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68uu69$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182306

"KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:

>$ 100.00 A Year Liscensing Fee. I Guess Freedom Of Speach Does Have A
>Price, Or Are We Just Being Punished For Exercising Our Rights & Abilities.
>Gregg KD5BAY Where In Texas Our Freedom & Rights Are # 1.

Well, no Greg, in your case, I think you are being punished for NOT exercising your abilities, if you want to consider it 'punishment'. You might want to check the Texas Constitution, and see if the use of HF is mentioned there, you never know.

In the proposal for licensing fees that Carl has submitted to the FCC, I believe it says that the fee for Texas is $500 a year. Everything is bigger in Texas, you know......

73, Jim KH2D

571. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68uuep$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182307
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

Ohio Go Zia Mus, Emo San.

>You will find that SSB is allowed on every HF frequency except 10 MHz.
>This is one good reason for allowing no-coders to operate on HF bands
>except 10 MHz. If you like CW, go to 10 MHz.

You will find that CW is allowed on every amateur band including 10 mhz.
This is one good reason for not allowing no coders to operate anywhere.
But we decided to cut them a break and let them use the repeater anyway.

73, Jim KH2D

572. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68ur0fajj1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182308

In article <19980106220301.RAA00184@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>Read my comments again, old man. I said "WITHIN LEGAL PARAMETERS, OF COURSE"
>Again, if someone passes the tests and is issued a license, they have the LEGAL
>RIGHT to use their radio for any legally-permitted purpose, as specified in the
>FCC rules and regulations.

Uh, no, they have a privilege granted to them by the licensing agency. They
have no "legal rights".

>Hey, if you wish to dictate who does and does not use "your" autopatch, you
>better make sure it's a closed system. I will use any open autopatch I damn
>well please.

Well, since you say (or claim) that you don't have a ham license, I guess
you won't be using *any* autopatch at all, huh?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

573. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68uuq7$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182309
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:

>> No code license allowed you to use 21 MHz and 28 MHz.
>> All the other amateur bands required to have morse.

>And what a sorry mess that turned into!

>Operator licenses are good for life and never expire.

>(Station licenses are good only for 5 years and must be renewed.)

>Of this large number, 92% of the operators hold only an entry class
>license, are limited to 10W HF, are prohibited from some modes,
>and are denied permission to operate on 17, 20, or 30 meters.

Well you gotta admit, Hans, the JA system is good for one thing.
2500 Q's during CQWW SSB on 15 meters.....

73, Jim KH2D

574. Stop! [Was: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Mock <kd6pag@nospam.mocha.ecofe.com>
Message-ID: <4mzpl9q637.fsf_-_@spinner.ecofe.com>
Source record: 182310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Yes, Mike, I HAVE called you an ******* and an ***** ... on at least
>several occasions ... BECAUSE [...]

*******, *******, *******. You haven't restricted the 'calling' to Mike.

Please don't post things like this to 'rec.radio.amateur.*' as it is clearly
off-topic and does not belong in the realm of amateur radio.

-- KD6PAG (Networking Old-Timer, RF newbie)

575. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B2D4F3.6115@icss.net>
Source record: 182311
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Brian wrote:
>
> its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
> > free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
> > in to retirement.
> > 73, Brian/N0iMD
>
> When you've Elmered a few dozen newbies and ran a VE team for 8 years,
> come talk to me. Seems like it may be your turn.
>
> 73, Dick W0EX

Dick, your service is appreciated. My Novice instructors, Bill True, Steve Stock, and George X will forever have my respect.
Do you ever feel like you're giving away amateur radio with those written exams? I once sent a searing message to the ARRL VE about the question pool. They sent back a thoughtful answer, but I still feel that the pools should be increased about 5 fold. All repetitive questions should be removed as each question should be unique.
As far as my Elmering goes, I've only taught a couple of classes (mostly adults) and helped set up only 2 shacks, but then again I'm a newcomer myself. I guess all of my Field Day efforts were probably self serving because I just LOVE field day. I've taken a few turns as a club officer here and there. I've helped out at a few BSA JOTAs in the US and on Guam. I have introduced amateur radio to a church youth group. I hope that I left a favorable impression with them.
However, as far a being a VE, the ARRL/FCC won't let me "proctor" 1/3rd of an amateur exam. But if you want to take the commercial exam, let me know. I can do that all by myself. Which brings up a very interesting point.
I will proudly stand up and take my turn once the ARRL and FCC recognize that it is integrity that matters, not code speed. Pushing the "play" button on a boombox, and checking the answer key against test responses is probably something that I could handle with the right amount of training. I used to provide Amer. Red Cross 1st Aid and adult CPR training classes before I started going to night school. I've signed a load of wallet CPR cards. No, CPR wasn't amateur radio, but I think you can probably see that I'm not a new duffer resting on my CW accomplishments.
I would gladly join your VE team it if it were legal for me to do so, and if you would have me. Thanks for asking.

73, Brian/N0iMD

576. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B2CC52.5B9A@icss.net>
Source record: 182312
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>
> >You think? Then why are so many codeless hams pulling duty as the
> >officers of their local clubs? Running walk/bikathon communications?
> >Running Severe Weather Nets? Teaching classes to prospective hams?
> >Getting CPR training to club members? Is it because they want a free
> >ride? No, its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
> >free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
> >in to retirement.
> >73, Brian/N0iMD
>
> Hi Brian. The 'codeless' hams in your old club aren't pulling any duty.
> The only thing they are pulling is in their pants..... Most of them can't
> even spell public service, more less do it. But now their favorite toy
> is broken, and we aren't going to fix it for them anymore, so we'll see
> how long it takes until all the HT's are in the closet with a dead battery.
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

Jim, thats very sad. Maybe we can start a usenet and help them out.
I'll cover recharging the batteries, and you cover setting repeater
offsets. We might get this thing going again.
73, Brian/N0iMD

577. Need KLM schematics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Bradford L. Denison" <bradld@wpi.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.96.980106174424.18677C-100000@wpi.WPI.EDU>
Source record: 182313

I am looking for KLM 160 Watt 2m amplifier schematics. Mail me at bradld@wpi.edu if you can help...

Thanks,

Brad

578. Icom PCR1000 review?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Jenkins <tjenkins@cts.com>
Message-ID: <884149885.120302@wagasa.cts.com>
Source record: 182314

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@cts.com
X-MimeOLE: Produced By Microsoft MimeOLE V4.71.1712.3
Organization: CTS Network Services
Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc

Anyone have an indepth review of this receiver?

http://www.icomamerica.com/featured/

--Tom
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579. yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: michael.downing@lvvwd.com
Message-ID: <884149523.801177606@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182315
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find the resonance points.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

580. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B3176C.4BFF@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:

what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
> > by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
> > something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
> > the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...
> >
> > --
> > William Lee N5WRX
>
> Is wire telegraphy limited to those characters, then? Since the
> telegraph clicks, how are dashes differentiated from dits?

Wire telegraph operators copied the spaces between the clicks.
Long space=dash, short space=dot. If you thing beeping is hard, try
that.

73, Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and held destroy Ham Radio!****

581. wtb: hammurlund speaker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: michael.downing@lvvwd.com
Message-ID: <884150621.808189963@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182317
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amatuer.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap

I'm looking for a Hammurlund speaker to match my HQ-180. HQ-110, HQ-160, HQ-170 etc. speaker will suffice.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

582. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68vcnl$2jm@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182318

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>Hey, if you wish to dictate who does and does not use "your" autopatch, you
>better make sure it's a closed system. I will use any open autopatch I damn
>well please. If you don't like it (assuming it's your repeater), SHUT IT OFF!
>If it's NOT your repeater, than you really don't have anything to say about the
>matter.

We did that. Our repeater is called HF. It's shut off. You can't use it.

Reading comprehension problem there, CB Ramboozle. Go back and reread the orignal discussion. Plus a bit of an attitude problem too, seems like. Which is primarily why you find yourself in the group you find yourself in. Never did like the rules much, huh Ramboozle ?

>>Queston: If the 'old girl' was to die tommorrow, how will that make you
>>feel,
>>and why ?

>As I mentioned in a previous post...not "if", but "when" ham radio finally
>collapeses from the inside-out and dies a premature death, I will be laughing
>my patootie off! You arrogant, condescending, know-it-all, "I am God" HAMBO
>types have been asking for it for a good long time. Karma, my friend. Wait
>and see...

Exactly the answer I expected, Rambone. Thank you for verifying the fact that you are here for the same purpose as Squiggy, to do everything you can to help throw the ice cream on the floor. Not enuff people in the CB newsgroup that know how to type, so you wound up over here right ? No DX on the local VHF repeater ?

We all understand your disease. Wanna be. Couldn't be. Not happy. It hurts. We know. Hopefully, the ARRL will start a Psychological Rehabilitation Fund for people like you and Sqiggy some day, as you have been so devistated by your inability to participate.

Tear up your no code tech license, of which you are so ashamed that you haven't even bothered to tell us about, NOW - avoid the rush later.

And when the ham bands go away, what happens if all us Hambos decide to slide on down to your band and dust your britches Ramboozle ? Remeber, we are not running two TV tube 100 watt 'boosters' like you are. No 'Big Sticks' on our towers. Guess then you'll have to start bootlegging on 20 meters, right ?

73, Won't See You on The Bands !
Jim KH2D

583. Re: Need good Novice/Tech test manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68vd4g$2jm@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182319

ryan@REMOVETHISpoboxes.com (Ryan) wrote:

>Thanks for all the responses. I have ordered a copy of Now Your
>Talking, 3rd Ed, from http://www.ccrane.com for 17.95 (including
>shipping!). ARRL wanted 19.95 plus $4 for shipping. Thanks.

>Ryan

Hi Ryan,

The ARRL would have used the other $2.00 to lobby in Washington
D.C. to support amateur radio. Hopefully, when you get all done studying and
pass the test, there will still be some ham bands for you to use. If not, take
it up with www.ccrane.com . In life, you only get what you pay for.

Good luck with your studies.

73, Jim KH2D

584. Re: Help with component.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Emerick <74160.525@compuserve.com>
Message-ID: <34B2FC92.619D@compuserve.com>
Source record: 182320
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,comp.sw.components,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,sci.electronics.components,uk.radio.amateur

Andre Antunes wrote:
>
> Hello everybody,
> I need your help with a power hybrid.
> It's reference is: Motorola SHW5064
> I need to now the pins references.
> Also need the same info about the CA2870
> Thans to all. Any help will be much apreciated.
> (Please, reply by mail).
>
> --
> Andre Antunes
> andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt

I see you're in portugal so you probably want web access. Try the
Motorola semiconductors site at:

http://motserv.indirect.com/

They have most of their data in PDF format so you need to download the
acrobat reader if you don't have it.

regards,

John Emerick

585. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com>
Message-ID: <34B255AF.4939@ccnet.com>
Source record: 182334

Having to retest would take away any suspsion of wrong doing.....What is there to loose? If you can't pass the test a second time you probably should not have the ticket.

dt

586. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68tkcn$g42$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net> wrote:
> > Wednesday's message from the Oak said only ``SOS. SOS. This is Oak.
> > Position 53 16 N, 24 59 W. Stop engine. We need assistance.''
> >
> > British Coast Guard officials report the ship has been abandoned and the
> > nearest ship is some 400 miles away. But the Oak's crew and captain are
> > reportedly aboard lifeboats.

> But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate? Clover
> should have worked (provided someone else who also had Clover
> capabilities had made an appointment for the emergency qso). RTTY should
> have worked. Or packet. Heck, the message would have made it that
> distance within 3-4 days, provided there were with VHF range of a packet
> station. Or satellite or voice or something...why did they have to use
> CW to get saved??? Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?

You scare me Dan..... I would not want to ship out with you anywhere.
I would assume you were joking a bit about this. But, for the sake of
discussion.....and not joking.....

The Oak was an older ship, on a 3rd world registry flag. As such, its
owners could get by with only the minimally mandated requirements because
it was cheap to do. Someone might be able to look up the date of the Oak
from one of the ITU lists of ship radio stations and tell us what was on
it, in reality. POS 53N 25W at 750 miles west of Ireland is not really all
that far from where the Titanic went down --- out of vhf range of anywhere.
Although I can't say for sure what the Oak had on board, if it was using
a CW operator, it probably had sitor, voice, and CW. It is possible that
it had GMDSS gear aboard, but not likely anything more than EPIRBS which
fire after the ship sinks or can be manually fired. EPIRBS are one-way
distress beacons used as a last resort only. It is possible that some of
the sitor gear was down. I would not expect the ship to have had much in
the way of satcom gear, especially if it was a Bahamanian registry vessel
in a flag of convenience. The R/O could have routed a distress call through
one of the 4/8/12/16 mhz shore stations, but that would take time and in
a sinking ship, time is of the essence. The known problems people have had
with satcom routing of distress messages may have been a problem. If all
else was failing, then a 500khz distress call via CW was appropriate.
One thing about the GMDSS system is that RCC folks have to find a ship to
get back with you. That may or may not happen easily, and is a concern.
On a CW distress call on 500khz, all ships in the vicinity (within a
practical working range of 500-1000 nm) hear you immediately, and can
respond within a reasonable range. Bridge to bridge vhf fm is only

good out to 30-40 miles. It was a wise move to opt for something with a range of 500 miles over 30-40 miles since more ships with a potential for rescue would have been within a 500 mile range compared to a 40 mile range. At 750 miles out, the Oak was apparently within flight range of somewhere for air/sea rescue, though, and that method of rescue was used from what I saw on CNN, after they had abandoned ship to the life boats. They apparently jumped into the sea by pairs and were rescued by helicopter.

It is somewhat disconcerting to think that after Feb 01, 1999, when the GMDSS is officially in place, noone will be listening, anyway. It all depends upon a system of intercoordinated international stations and satcoms that is not quite yet proven under trial by fire to work, even though it is highly hyped as the miracle mode in the satcomm trade rags. CW was crude, old, but known to work well. It turns out to be not as cheap as satcomms and automatons, and the bottom line rather than people is what seems to count. Scary....but on the high seas, it seems to have always been that way.

> Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.

Anti-coders don't have a clue, anyway.

> KR4AJ

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

587. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68tki0$g42$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.misc SCO <sco@mindspring.com> wrote:

> The owner of that ship should be held accountable for not having more
> modern communications capability on board.

> W4SCO

The owners of the ship chose to use a flag of convenience 3rd world
registry just to get AWAY from having to update the ship to higher
standards. That is very commonly done.

Bob/NA4G

588. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68tlve$9h$1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182337

In article <34A5D298.75E0@earthlink.net>, atued@earthlink.net wrote:

>MAybe you should keep up with the facts. First off CW is digital, the
>first digital mode ever! There have been devices for quite some time
>which can both send and received CW automatically. However, experience
>has proven that a trained operator can read signals that computer based
>systems are stymied by.
>
>Second, CW can and is used in emergencies where no other mode such as
>AM, Fm, or SSB can suffice.
>
>Third, Ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or
>aircraft! If that is your goal becoma a sailor or a pilot!

It's interesting that ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or aircraft, and others in this NG are using commercial shipping distress as a reason for keeping code....Those advocating keeping code by giving examples of ships at sea don't seem to be telling stories about a ham who picked up a distress call and "saved the day", the stories are all about naval monitoring stations. In this day of sensationalized news, do you think it would pass by quietly if a ship at sea were stranded and there was no response from any government station? And a ham operator who just happened to be "passing by" picked up the signal and saved them? That would be on the 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 10:00 and 11:00 news for a week!!! Government negligence almost kills 100's aboard a luxury cruise ship! A lone amateur radio operator is the hero that saved the day when the Navy failed their duty!! Navy plot to kill hundereds is stopped by ham operator!!

589. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bryant McAllister <mb_mcalllister@juno.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1ac1$781fc440$865d56d1@nimitz>
Source record: 182338
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

>
> > The failure rate of the GMDSS consoles is curently running 100%.
> > That's right, every disress signal from them has been a false alarm, at
> > least as of last summer this was true and probably still is.
>
> Is a false alarm a failure? If a real distress call isn't receives,
> that would be a failure.

YES False alarms are failures.

Do you remember the story of the boy who cried wolf?

Or maybe you were in a dorm during finals week with all the false alarms
being set.

Bryant

590. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68tm5r$g42$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182339

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
> Leslie wrote:

> > The owner of that ship should be held accountable for not having more
> > modern communications capability on board.

> My guess is that the ship may well be equipped with Global Marine Distress
> and Safety System (GMDSS). I'd also guess that the master of the ship
> probably didn't trust GMDSS.

This is probably not a safe assumption with a flag of convenience
registry vessel. At best, it probably only had the GMDSS mandated
EPIRBS aboard, but I could be entirely wrong. I would not have
expected it to have been GMDSS compliant other than that, especially
if it still carried an R/O.

> The basic concept of GMDSS is that Search and Rescue (SAR) authorities
> ashore as well as in shipping in the immediate vicinity of a ship or
> person in distress will be rapidly alerted to a distress incident so
> that they can assist in a co-ordinated search and rescue operation with
> the minimum delay. The system uses a combination of satelites and radio
> to send alerts, identify the vessel and it's location, and for voice
> communications.

It depends upon the ship making a GMDSS satcom distress alert,
the alert being properly electronically routed, the RCC (Rescue
Coordination Center) properly acting on the distress call, and
then the database of vessels and vessel locations being currently
correct. There are no voice communications involved exept if you
are in the polar shadows where satcomms are ineffective (although
I have heard that some additional satellites may cure this). In
the polar shadows HF SSB is used as the failsafe mode. VHF FM is
used locally at the distress area. The sending of the distress alert
amounts to pressing a big red button on the console (a source of
many false alerts to date).

> Unfortunately, it is plagued with problems, both in reliability and in
> implementation. So the master of Oak used 500KHz CW as mariners have
> for generations.

A wise decision on the R/Os part. I would not have thought the master
would have made that decision as to mode, although I may be mistaken.

> The lack of familiarity with operating the GMDSS equipment is universal.
> The 99 percent false alarm rate is a strong indication of the truth in
> that statement. There seem to be some common factors in this problem.
> Most of the equipment is not at all user friendly. The operating manuals

> are VERY POOR in their explanations of procedures and the abbreviated
> operating diagrams were designed by people who already know how to operate
> the equipment, but have little or no understanding of how a watchstanding
> Mate would view these explanations. Lack of user friendly equipment and
> operating manuals which make sense are contributing to the 99 percent
> false alarm rate. The attitude of the Mates is such that they tend to
> disregard an alarm until they have time to look at it. There are so
> many alarms that they lose their meaning.

It seems that even the pursers have been GMDSS licensed it is said.
That would be scary. In the heat of a distress emergency, the mates
would have much other to do than poke at electronic equipment that
does not work as it should. The trade rags on the GMDSS issues seem
to sidestep the many problems as if they were trivial. Alas, they are
not, in reality, and they remain unproven under fire.

> At a GMDSS Conference held in Plymouth, UK, a British ships Master,
> Captain Nick Cooper, said the system of automated distress calls using
> Digital Selective Calling was "almost totally unworkable, impractical
> and unreliable". He said a combination of false alarms and badly designed
> equipment was causing dangerous situations on bridges and could lead to
> collisions or groundings by distracting ship's officers from navigational
> duties.

I had not heard that one. Is that due to the routing problems once
distress messages are in the system, or just the equipment problems?

> Capt Cooper was the most outspoken critic of GMDSS. But most other
> speakers reported major problems with the system, which is based on
> now-outdated technology, including a very high incidence of false alarms,
> slow implementation of the system with many ships unlikely to meet the
> February 1999 deadline and only a handful of countries having acted to
> implement GMDSS effectively.

I have heard that at best only about 50% of the world fleet is compliant.
If that figure is true, it is scary.

> It would appear to me that any ships owners who rely 100% on this
> "more modern communications capability" without backing it up with
> traditional 500KHz SOS capability, should be held accountable for
> gross negligence to their responsibilities for safety of mariners.

The ship owners are only concerned with the bottom line, and what
minimal they can get by with. That is also scary.....

> 73, de Hans, K0HB
> (Who spent 21 years in Naval service)

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

591. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68tnd3rc1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <68rlrm$7jh$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>In article <68r176kcg1@arctic.discover.net>,
> Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:
>
I personally think "contesting" and "paper chasing" are a waste
>>of time and spectrum, and should be banned. But it keeps the magazines
> going...
>
>Welp, there you have it:
>
>1) contesting and "paper chasing" should be 'banned' because they are a waste
> of spectrum and time,
>2) CW is a waste of spectrum

From your point of view, CW is only used for Contesting and paper chasing?
>
>thus
>
>3) CW should be banned too.

Your words, not mine.
>
>(of course, the poster wouldn't come right out and say that, because it would
>cause too much of an uproar.)
>
Didn't say it because that's not what I ment.

>I wonder what would happen to amateur radio if everyone was able to "ban"
>the aspects of the hobby they personally don't happen to like?

We can, we can choose not to participate, and express why not. Other people with the same feeling will also choose not to participate. I always thought there was more to ham radio than "CQ, Contest, CQ, Contest, CQ Feld Day, (your club call), copy Seven Alpha Orange, Seven Alpha Orange, Thank you, CQ...."
I participated in this pointless excercise for 4 years, coming to the site after work and then working the field day station for 12 hours. All it did was show that when everybody was transmitting at once, nobody could communicate anything more than the minimun exchange, and sometimes even that was difficult. The CW operators were not doing much better, even the ex-navy radioman yanked the headphones off his head more than once!

Did it ever occur to you to mention that you snipped something out to change what I said? No, you would rather misquote me to try to prove your point!!
I said CW is a great space-saver, if you or anybody else is inclined to use

it, that's great! It don't waste spectrum like voice. I just said that compared to digital modes (Packet, Amtor, etc) it's painfully slow and inefficient. Using packet, I could send you the complete works of Shakespear in a couple hours, 100% error free, what you get will be an exact copy of what I have....Try that with CW, how long will it take?

592. Re: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Miles <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Message-ID: <34B2500B.6DB2@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Source record: 182341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

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And this has what to do with homebrewing...? Please take it to email,
children.

-- jm

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >Yes, Mike, I H
> <snip 1000 lines of he-said/she-said spam>

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Note: My E-mail address has been altered to avoid spam
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593. Antique Receiver for sale.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Val D <vald@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <34B266B4.77AD@pacbell.net>
Source record: 182342

Antique receiver, and other miscellaneous items for sale.

1. Collins (75A-4). Good condition.
2. Ultimate Transmatch (UT-2000A).
3. Kenwood SSB Transceiver (T8-820)
4. Other miscellaneouw components for sale.

Make offer! HAM radio equipment located in WV.
Initial point of contact: vald@NOSPMpacbell.com

W8WX

594. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B26D54.C57E3F9D@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182343

Carl R. Stevenson wrote: The theory is necessary because ham radio is
supposed to be a

> It does NOT justify the continuation of Morse
> tests for access to HF ...
>

But the CW requirement sure does cut down the number of LIDs on the HF bands
when compared with two meters.

Mark
WA0DCA

"they can have my Bug when they pry it from my cold dead hands".....

> --
> Carl - wa6vse
> wa6vse@fast.net
> NCI #1052
> Join No Code International!
> Support the modernization of ham radio and
> help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

And what? Make it into another 11 meter band?

595. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <68tsbd$esi@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182344

$ 100.00 A Year Liscensing Fee. I Guess Freedom Of Speach Does Have A Price, Or Are We Just Being Punished For Exercising Our Rights & Abilities. Gregg KD5BAY Where In Texas Our Freedom & Rights Are # 1.

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Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <68tsbj$esi@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182345

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597. Re: Stories From Our Novice Days -- Please Add Your Own Here

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B27126.DA723790@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182346

Oak wrote:

> In article <349FCB3E.41C6@csc.com>, pbingham@csc.com says...
> >
> >James F. Chumbley wrote:
> >>
> >> Two True Stories From WN5FAF
> >>
> >> .....
> >>
> >> Regards,
> >> Jim Chumbley, N6UF (ex-WN5FAF)
>
> One true story here Jim.....

In the summer of 1962 I had just passed my novice test and was waiting for the weeks to pass until I got my license. I was in the process of building a transmitter and had put up an 14-avq multiband vertical on the roof of the house.

After the antenna had been up about a week the lady that lived down the block came over and complained to my parents that my ham radio was causing interference to her television and telephones. She said she could here me talking and that I was making rude comments about her. She also just knew that her house was going to get hit by lightening because of my antenna. All of this before I even had a transmitter.

73.....
Mark
WA0DCA

598. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <68trvu$clh@mtinsc05.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182347
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 5 Jan 1998 17:12:06 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) posted:

>In article <68r176kcg1@arctic.discover.net>,
> Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:

[snip]

>Welp, there you have it:
>
>1) contesting and "paper chasing" should be 'banned' because they are a waste
> of spectrum and time,

One person's opinion, though contesting and "paper chasing" are, IMO, simply vehicles for exercising the "art."

>2) CW is a waste of spectrum

Your words, Mr. MD, NOT those of Baldy: Another blatantly glaring attempt by the master obfuscator and twister, Mr. MD, to confuse facts and meanings, distorting the simple, honest attempts of innocent parties to convey their own opinions. Shame!

>
>thus
>
>3) CW should be banned too.

Your assertion, Mr. MD, based on your incorrect obfuscatory reading of Baldy's text. IMO, what others have said in the past bears a certain amount of validity, that being your considering the possibility of improving your reading comprehension by whatever means are at your disposal.

>
>(of course, the poster wouldn't come right out and say that, because it would
>cause too much of an uproar.)

And, of course, being the ever "helpful" obfuscator, Mr. MD "said that" for him. With friends like that, who needs ....!

>
>I wonder what would happen to amateur radio if everyone was able to "ban"
>the aspects of the hobby they personally don't happen to like?

Well, for one thing, Carl would probably say something to the effect that at least Mr. MD wouldn't be there to _____ (fill in the blank with your favorite Carl-response). =0)

>
>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>-- with my guns.
>--
>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

---
from KA9HRT (not K9HRT) [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]
Visit the NCI WWW site: http://www.nocode.org
Join today--help assure fair Amateur Radio license testing tomorrow!
(NOTE: Remove "NO" and "SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

599. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34B1F14E.ED@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 182348
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michelle,
I'm only an electronics hobbyist, so I may ask stupid Questions. I'm at
a loss why the RF generated by a microwave oven would even be
"modulated". Could you explain further?, What information is being
carried by a modulated microwave oven?. I always understood RF signals
are modulated because of the fact that a pure continuous AC signal
cannot convey information. Thanks

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net
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Christina Michelle Hunt wrote;

>
> In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
> >
> >>
> >> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
> >> wrote:
> >>
> >> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
> oven already
> >> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
> public seems
> >> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
> decades, in spite
> >> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
> >
> > Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
> >while its operating?
>
> I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave
> ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that
> "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure
> for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you
> using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter,
> are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating
> something you read somewhere?
>
> I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any
> technical basis.
>

> Michelle Hunt
> Michell5@ix.netcom.com

600. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: meidelberg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106182201.NAA18554@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182349

Sorry to hear about the problem, but I(gave up being a VE for just those reasons. I knew of corrupt VE's in my area and called the league. Basically they don't give a damn!!

I also know of corrupt W5YI VE's. So the hell with the VE program.

I took my 20 WPM code at the FCC office in NYC.

Congrats on the re-test I hope they re-test some of the extra class VE's in my area. NO-CODE extras are scum!

Marc,WR2I

601. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B2751E.3D3CD63D@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182350

Phil Heaton wrote:

>
>
> What's more useless?
>
> 1. CBRambo's posts..
> 2 HF rig in a NO-CODE's shack...
>
> Phil
> --
> Phil Heaton
> ke4krt@mindspring.com
> http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

What's more useless?

CBRrambo's post by far.

After all, there is always a chance that the HF rig will inspire it's owner to learn CW and advance.

There really isn't much hope for CBRambo, the teeny-bopper internet troll using mommy's AOL account.

73s
Mark
WA0DCA

602. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <68ttag$esi@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182351

Code A Mode Of Operation
#1 SSB is A Mode
#2 Am Is A Mode
#3 FM Is A Mode
#4 SSTV Is A Mode
#5 Amtor Pactor Packett Etc All Modes Of Operation
#6 Repeater Operation Is A Type Of Operation
#7 Satellite Operation Is A Type Of Operation

Why Should We Have To Prove To Be Proficent In Cw Mode, But No Others
Because Some Won't Let Dead Dogs Lye.

603. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B27956.DA2C837F@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182352
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Not many people want or actually interested in amateur radio. How do
> you make them learn discipline ??
>

I must admit CB, your logic does seem to defy known physics.

604. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B27DDD.350F@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182353

Baldy wrote:
>
> In article <34A5D298.75E0@earthlink.net>, atued@earthlink.net wrote:
>
> >MAybe you should keep up with the facts. First off CW is digital, the
> >first digital mode ever! There have been devices for quite some time
> It's interesting that ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or
> distress call and "saved the day", the stories are all about naval monitoring
> stations.

Those monitoring stations you speak of would have been U.S. Coast Guard,
not Navy. U.S. Navy ships at sea used to guard 500 KHZ the same as any
other ship at sea. The mission of the Navy is not/was not to save other
ships. As a matter of fact, a Navy Radioman who answered an SOS before
notifying the Captain and being told to answer could have found himself
in deep Kim Chi.

Having said that, and having copied an SOS or two during my Navy years
and/or being on a ship when another operator copied one, I know of no
instance when a Navy ship did not attempt to go to the aid of another
ship that was in distress.

Curetis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

In this day of sensationalized news, do you think it would pass by
> quietly if a ship at sea were stranded and there was no response from any
> government station? And a ham operator who just happened to be "passing by"
> picked up the signal and saved them? That would be on the 4:00, 5:00, 6:00,
> 10:00 and 11:00 news for a week!!! Government negligence almost kills 100's
> aboard a luxury cruise ship! A lone amateur radio operator is the hero that
> saved the day when the Navy failed their duty!! Navy plot to kill hundereds is
> stopped by ham operator!!

605. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B27EA6.47BD@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182354

KD5BAY wrote:
>
> Code A Mode Of Operation
> #1 SSB is A Mode
> #2 Am Is A Mode
> #3 FM Is A Mode
> #4 SSTV Is A Mode
> #5 Amtor Pactor Packett Etc All Modes Of Operation
> #6 Repeater Operation Is A Type Of Operation
> #7 Satellite Operation Is A Type Of Operation
>
> Why Should We Have To Prove To Be Proficent In Cw Mode, But No Others
> Because Some Won't Let Dead Dogs Lye.

Repeat after me 3 times ... ITU .. ITU .. ITU.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

606. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884112989.1099497477@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182355
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy, aka Slime, aka Troublemaker, aka M@s@ said:

> In April, 1961, Japan made a no-code license.

> No code license allowed you to use 21 MHz and 28 MHz.
> All the other amateur bands required to have morse.

And what a sorry mess that turned into!

Operator licenses are good for life and never expire.

(Station licenses are good only for 5 years and must be renewed.)

In order to obtain a station licensee, the applicant is required
to specify the equipment he will use (it must be a rig certified
by MPT, the JA equivalent of our FCC), and also list his operating
habits (bands, modulation, power). This information becomes part of
the station license.

If any of this changes (new rig, modification of rig, etc.) the license
must be modified to reflect the change.

If the rig must be government certified, and if I must notify the
government of a new radio, or modifications to my current radio, I will
not be very likely to experiment. Mainly, all I can do is yak! This is
ham radio?

Because operator licenses never expire, there is a current total
of 2.8 million operators in Japan.

Of this large number, 92% of the operators hold only an entry class
license, are limited to 10W HF, are prohibited from some modes,
and are denied permission to operate on 17, 20, or 30 meters.

LESS than a HALF OF ONE PERCENT of the operators in Japan have full
HF privileges. In other words, only 1 of every 200 JA amateur licensees
since 1961 has full HF priveleges! 99.5% do not.

LESS than THREE PERCENT of JA amateurs are allowed to operate on 20
and 30 meters. 97% are not allowed.

This very restrictive situation does not appear to be a model we
would like to emulate in the US. It may be fine for JA, but M@s@
should not criticize US laws as too stringent, when his own country
is MUCH more restrictive in granting full amateur operating privilege.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

----------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

607. National Contest Journals???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: mai@iquest.net
Message-ID: <68u09a$144_002@news.iquest.net>
Source record: 182356

I'm looking for back issues of NCJ's - want to complete my set.
Let me know which ones you'd sell, condition, where you are, and of course,
how much....

Thanks!

Patrick

608. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B28377.1FD1B6E@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182357

CBRambo wrote:

> HUH?? We're talking about 75 meters here! That means General class or
> above!
> ALL the participants in this brou-ha-ha (at least the licensed ones) have
> passed that precious Morse test of 13WPM or better!
>
>

Yep even that bunch of losers were able to learn code. And you can't even
match them. Guess where that puts you?

609. Re: Logging Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrell Earnshaw <darrell.earnshaw@sap-ag.de>
Message-ID: <EMDnLx.BB8@sap-ag.de>
Source record: 182358
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I concur. DX4WIN is one of the most advanced logging programs on the market today, and at the current price you can't complain.

-- Darrell NR3Y/W6

George Sereikas wrote in message <68j4mc$gp5@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
>For what it is worth I HIGHLY recommend DX4Win. I have used DXBase
>(not the new Win95 version), LogWindows 3.0 and EQF. All of the other
>programs are good, but in my opinion, the best overall is DX4Win. It
>is only $69.95 and the best part is that updates are FREE and
>downladable from the DX4Win Home Page. The support is GREAT....they
>realy work to help you and they are fast and easy to communicate with.

[snip...]

610. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u0ha$or7$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182359

iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:
> (Top Dog) wrote:
> >

> > I personally know several xclass ops and none of them
> > use code by hand but by computer and they type in the message
> > and the pc send the code for them and the guy on the other end
> > recieves the code and his pc spits out words so why learn the code if the
> > computer knows how to?

Because the computer is an unintelligent moron. A good chops is a real
people-person. I would much rather talk to the chops than the computer.

> Why use a keyboard? I don't get it. Are they trying to impress other
> folks on the air, or just get access to the CW frequencies?

You raise a very interesting point......

Although I am not what you would consider a cracker jack op on CW, I can
usually hold my own. I have occasionally used keyboards, and even written
some of my own programs to properly send the full ITM Morse code set (many
commercial keyboards and programs don't, a few do already, and none are what
I would consider any good except as playtoys).

When it comes right down to it, I always seem to fall back to the use of
a hand key of some sort (straight key, bug, keyer) and prefer operators
that use same over keyboards, simply because it keeps the/some character
of the sending operator in the exchange. I can almost always spot an
op I know even on a keyer, when the code is hand sent, and I know it is
Joe/Bill/Dale/Neal/whomever, merely by the sound of or the inflection of
the ``musick''. Keyboards get extremely monotonous in a hurry. They
are fast, if that is what you are into, but few are the operators that
run a consistent 50wpm. A number run 35-40 with keyers and bugs.
A great number run 20-25 on a straight sending irons or keyers or bugs.

Many of the ``computer'' keyboard things allow you to type in text
and buffer it an then send it. What for. I would much prefer a keyboard
that QSK's on the fly instead. Stacking up a 200 word text in the buffer
may be good for going and getting a cup of mud on the sly, but not much
else. Merely tieing up the ``line'' that long would not be the mark
of a good operator, either, unless he WAS saying something important
or worth hearing.

I also wonder how good the computers do with anything like QRM/QRN/
character to the sending, etc. Most I have seen fall far short under
fire. A good op can usually read well under the computer and have time
for coffee, and some chit/chat on the side. In clear signal, you can

just turn on the computer and let it log.... but geesh, how monotonous. Only the no-coders would do that, or maybe some contesters bent on upping their numbers. Nil fun there..... in my book.

I am not really impressed by keyboarders that run 50wpm all the time, and never seem to have much to say. It is fun to read the fellows that can spin a yarn or two worth hearing --- they occasionally have some real history behind them, and that is worth some respect, and makes great copy. The ones that run amok like high speed henriettas and never say anything.... well,.....

Also, as you age, things slow down. Around age 50 or so, your hearing tones begin go fade and what used to run fine a 55wpm needs to slow down a little to be descriminated against the noise. Keyboards help there if you don't mind the monotony of it. But, a fist with some character spins a much better tale, in my book. I would much rather copy the 91 year old that QSO'ed Marconi in 1923 on spark sets, rather the the dud dood talking about his latest find on the internet at www.wherever.com. The 91 year old had some character on his fist, even if all he could muster up was 25 wpm or so, and something to tell you too!

If you are into mill copy of long wx bcsts or such, or tfc lists for fun, it is nice to hear it sent with the machine monotone. All else, give me someone with some character on his fist, so I get to know him a little.

If I want computers, I can use the internet.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

611. Re: Help! 20 to 60 metre home antenna design needed!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: tsum3drac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106194300.OAA26620@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182360

Hi S.

>I need a design for a HF receiver (3.5MHz-30MHz but at least >3.5-18M) that is OK for a back yard (which has a pool, garage >etc).

Is it an antenna for reception only that you want? The usual arangement is to use an end fed wire, as long as possible, as high as possible, and as much in the clear as possible.
For casual use, the inefficiency of an untuned antenna won't hurt your performance much. This is because at HF, the weak signal are masked under atmospheric noise rather than receiver noise (especially at the lower frequencies). An inefficient antenna will reduce the signal level but it reduces the noise level an equal amount.
For improved performance at the higher frequencies or when the bands are "closed" (when the minimum dicernable signal might be limited by receiver noise figure), you might want to add an antenna tuner. An "active antenna", which contains an integrated pre-amplifier, also makes an effective receiving antenna. Both arrangements are far more costly than a 100' hank of wire.

> I have seen a commercial VERTICAL affair but was many >meters high (and vertical and expensive ..how does this pickup >horizontally polarised signals (I'm new to this, as you can tell).

If it's short wave reception that you are interested in, don't worry about polarization too much. After a few reflections, the polarisation gets pretty well mixed up anyhow. The polarisation will probably be eliptical by the time it arrives at your antenna, so either a horizontal or vertical antenna will do the job. (If we were discussing ground wave or line of sight propagation as used at VHF and above, polarisation would become critical.)

If you have some specific application in mind that makes a simple random wire antenna unsuitable, please post the situation and we can discuss it in more detail.

Regards,

Blake

612. Re: 12wpm code = 8 baud

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: ylshih@alumni.caltech.edu
Message-ID: <68u1n8$mj4@gap.cco.caltech.edu>
Source record: 182361

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104224750.29016B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
J. Herman <jherman@sierra.NET> wrote:
>
>8 baud? That's interesting.
>
>Kind of scary that some folks would complain about taking a test
>in which their brains would only have to function at 1/5000 the
>speed of their modem.
>

What a silly argument. Are you prepared to take a math test to add
numbers at only 1/5000th the speed of a Pentium 300? Let's see
that's "only" about 60,000 ops per second.

Yin Shih, N9YS/6, PP-ASEL-IA, M20K
ylshih@alumni.caltech.edu

613. Help with component.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Antunes <andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt>
Message-ID: <68u345$obs@news.EUnet.pt>
Source record: 182362
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,comp.sw.components,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,sci.electronics.components,uk.radio.amateur

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Hello everybody,
I need your help with a power hybrid.
It's reference is: Motorola SHW5064
I need to now the pins references.
Also need the same info about the CA2870
Thans to all. Any help will be much apreciated.
(Please, reply by mail).

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Andre Antunes
andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt
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614. Re: Need good Novice/Tech test manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: ryan@REMOVETHISpoboxes.com
Message-ID: <34b28956.291508007@news>
Source record: 182363

Thanks for all the responses. I have ordered a copy of Now Your
Talking, 3rd Ed, from http://www.ccrane.com for 17.95 (including
shipping!). ARRL wanted 19.95 plus $4 for shipping. Thanks.

Ryan

>Hello. I need a good tech/novice study book for my father. I have a
>copy of Now Your Talking, but it is about 2 years old and the question
>pool has changed. Can anyone recommend a good substitute? Is there
>a copy of this book with the current questions? Radio Shack has
>stopped carrying this series. They now have the Gordon West books,
>which are good if you know the theory and just need to learn the
>questions, but no good at all for someone who is not technical. If you
>cn recommend a good study book please email me. Thank you.
>
>Ryan
>
>ryan at poboxes dot com

615. Ham Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Sourjya Sankar Sen <sssen@giascla.vsnl.net.in>
Message-ID: <884116398.1365639171@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182364

Here's a poor guy with immense interest in Ham Radio's but with no foreknowledge. Help him to learn more about Operating Principles, acquiring sets..... Direct e-mail replies most welcome.
Thanx in advance...

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

616. Re: A MESSAGE ABOUT NO-CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B28C52.1A11@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182365
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote...
>
> CB radio is now even dying. Many of channels in Montreal area
> are underused. I hardly hear anything on the channels. Wel... I
> pick up something each 10 minutes or so while I scan, but that's it.
> I am sure ham radio will follow the same way. The radio in
> general is no longer (relatively) efficient, cheap and effective
> way of communication.

REPLY...

I'm glad you agreed so fully with my previous message. I keep hearing that CB radio is dying, but around here it is still going strong. And amazingly, there are few problems (interference, troublemakers, etc.). Perhaps these are big city problems.

I doubt that ham will die however. In fact, as the world gets smaller, with interntaional travel becomming more common (business, etc.), I expect that ham radio will actually grow over the next few years.

Sorry for the quick reply. We have a strong thunder storm moving in and I had better turn off the computer.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

617. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u2oo$q7c$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182366
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:
> >
> I'm an inactive no-coder, digital modes was all I got a license for in the
> first place. The only time I ever used voice was driving to / from work or to
> use the local phone-patch. The current AM / FM / SSB modes are waste of
> spectrum. CW, is a great space-saver, but no matter how "fast" you are at it,
> it's still painfully slow compared to digital modes.

Sorry to hear you are inactive. It might be interesting to find out why.

I sometimes carry a 2M box just for the same reasons. That is fine,
and often as useful or more so than a cell fone.

I sense that sometimes folks enter ham radio with a great deal of high
expectation and find out that it is not what they expected. Then they
become inactive or leave the service. That is fine. I still respect
them for any time they were able to put in and do something of use to
themselves for that time.

> Even though digital modes
> use up the same spectrum as their analog modulation, they are far more
> efficient, because more can be sent in less time, and at odd hours. It makes
> no difference if a real person is there to receive it or not, it will be
> stored and read later.

This is a main problem with digital modes. Many folks seem to not be
able to grasp that. In CW lingo, digital modes are not QSK. They are
not bidirectionally fluid (unless you use dual channel diversity such
as opposite sidebands or diverse audio tones so several channels can
occupy the same frequency) or similar schemes. If I want to store and
forward a message or simple mesend then usend on the average ham channel,
then they are good at that. If you want to store and forward at odd
hours then use the internet, not ham radio, and you will be farther ahead.

If you are really wanting to do a digital nobel prize for amateur radio,
then develop a small satcom system of emergency communications specific
to amateur radio that will handle all the various modes and encodings
that you will likely need, and network into existing and future emergency
comms. Something like that would be much nicer than the average 2 meter
bitch box type of thing or the 80M fone band funzies that occurs. And,
you could put all your digital dreaming to good use. Unfortunately,
I get a great sense that few of the technically inclined newcomers are
able to or willing to do that kind of thing.

> >The rabid pro-coders insist on trying to say "All they want to do is to
> >grab a mike and start screaming 'CW DX' or 'CW contest'" ... While there
> >*are* quite a few no-code-test advocates who are avid CW users and some
> >who participate in DXing and contests (using both CW and/or SSB) I assure
> >you that those are activities that are of little or no interest to many of
> >us.
> >
> I personally think "contesting" and "paper chasing" are a waste of time and
> spectrum, and should be banned. But it keeps the magazines going.....
> Maybe we could make an execption for "Field Day" since it is alleged
> to actually have a purpose.

I would side with you here, and also agree that contesting and paper chasing is more of a waste of time than anything else. But, it can serve its use as a minimal skill training device. Field Day is most definitely a good and worthwhile operational/logistical/etc training device, if it is done right, even though it has a lot of fun times involved. I speak with some 25 Field Days under my belt, and do have some credentials there. But, that tends to be more the exception compared to the usual contest. Still, many of these sorts of activities do have skill training merit (in round about ways) and that is part of what ham radio is about, too. Also, a little easing up of the old tension cap helps, and finding a different band helps too, when a contest weekend comes along. That is not usually a problem on 10 meters and above though, in my experiences. Territory abounds on those waves, if folks will just use it.

Well, if you want to stay inactive, that is fine. But, if you want to become active.... then take that first step and do someting about it or with it. There is a lot of usable spectrum from 10M on down that can be used for a lot of new amateur digital technology development. It only needs to have someone take that first step if there is an interest in doing so.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

618. Dan Fin's mean-spirited comment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980106120009.14610E-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182367

Dan Fin wrote: "Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when they used such an outdated mode to call for help?"

It almost brings tears to my eyes to believe that someone could pen such cold-hearted words. Carl wrote something similar some time ago in regard to another ship in distress that had called for help via CW on 500 kc (occured 1-2 years ago).

It's shameful that these two radio operators stain the exceptional history radiomen have displayed in their caring and concern for their fellow humans in distress at sea.

Jeff KH2PZ/7 (former US Coast Guard radioman)

619. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u3o9$q7c$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182368
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> On 2 Jan 1998 19:57:11 GMT, "Luldoinne Wennmeir"

> I don't want to stick with casette tape: I do with floppy disk.
> I don't want to stick with DOS: I do with Windows 95.
> CW is obscelete so I don't stick with it. If you want to stick to
> casette tape, DOS and CW, please do so. Most of us who live on the
> earth don't care.

This brings up an interesting point. There are some things that do
very easily on dos or even CP/M that makes windoz croak. Maybe that
is why a good CW program on CP/M is only 12K (for example on a Kaypro II),
while the same program on dos is 20K (on dos 2.1/3.3/5.0 etc.), yet the
same program for windos is 250K. Something to be said sometimes for
loendian tech, even in ham radio..... But, you are right, most folks
don't care..... but a few do.

> >To learn CW is not necessarily for the purpose of knowing or actually using
> >CW.

> > It is to learn discipline and not give in to the easy way out.

> Not many people want or actually interested in amateur radio. How do
> you make them learn discipline ??

You put them on the internet instead and they are happy on windoz but would
croak on unix..... no discipline in windoz, plenty in unix.

CW is like unix.... it takes some grunt to make it play, and some
operator savvy.

SSB or DIGITAL is like windoz..... it is done for you, but beware when
it crashes.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

620. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u42b$q7c$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182369

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
> In article <34AC491A.5763A1F4@mindspring.com>, Phil Heaton
> <ke4krt@mindspring.com> writes:

> > Hmmm, I just flipped by 160m, 80m, 40m 30m, etc and
> heard a BUNCH of
> >Morse being banged out. It didn't sound too
> dead to me...

> No, but most of the operators soon will be. Old age takes it's toll.

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Not really. There is a girl in town here that got her license when she was 7 and now she is 11..... don't even begin to think you can outop her in a pileup..... she can run em out right undeneath you and have 20 more by the time you realize what happened.... She and her kind of the next generation will be here for a long time.... even on CW. It makes us olde cw pfartes smile.....

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

621. Re: Handbook?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884118958.1458372615@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182370

In article <19980106032301.WAA13950@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>
> You heard of Surplus Sales? Probably be a neat place to visit, too, based upon
> their catalog.
>
> Any news stands? Pick up a ham mag. and look under A.R.R.L. They usually
> advertise their publications. Typical ham mag include QST, the journal of the
> ARRL(sold at my local grocery), 73 MAG, and CQ MAG.
>
> (There, K*HB, I can answer simple questions)
>
> K*MB
> What a soft-ass!

Yes, and very well indeed. I take back all those intemperate things
I said about you.

73, de Hans, K0HB (Hard Buns)

did dit

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

622. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u5pb$q7c$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182371
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:

> >
> > >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have been
> reading about using the internet
> > >for telephony via your computer.
> >
> > what's the purpose of this ??
> >
> > efficiency ?????
> >

> Purpose...an interesting concept when you discuss CW. I espouse CW not
> because I think it will be the way to save my soul in some dire emergency
> when no other form of communication will get through. Actually, I believe
> that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off saving
> my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.

> My interest and desire to pursue CW via the Internet stems from my belief
> that my creativity and thinking ability can be stimulated by communicating
> in Morse Code, because it engages a different brain process than reading or
> speaking does. The more of my brain I can engage the more power I have at
> hand to solve problems. Oddly enough, I also enjoy code. I never played
> guitar or any other musical instrument, so copying CW always made me feel
> like I could do something that not just anybody could do.

I LIKE IT!

The problem is that I use several different kinds of machines and OS's,
so finding a portable program to do the real-time CW via the internet
might be a challenge. Barring things like network bottlenecks, it should
be rather instantaneous and compatible for QSK operation.....hmmmmm.

I would hate to assume everyone is running a windoz junker with a
soundblaster card, but that might be necessary (YUK). It would be more
fun to do it in a spare virtual console on unix, perhaps that came up in
a keyboard mode with the sound active in real time on the motherboard beeper.

> Now it gets really interesting, because while most hams want a no code
> license, I want a no theory license, because I don't have any particular
> interest in tinkering with radios, stringing antennas up outside my home,
> etc. etc. I want to send and receive CW, that's it.

Sounds fine to me, and does not require any licensing. It might even
stimulate some of the no-coders to see what it is all about. That, even
of itself would be a worthwhile venture.

It might even be a good way to allow the experience of American Morse.

> Many people have replied to my request for information on "virtual CW" with
> the response "but who would you talk to?"... I have friends who also like
> CW, and I also believe that there are others like me who would enjoy the
> mental challenge and stimulation that CW provides. If we build it they will
> come.

Sounds like a winner to me.

> I hope that this answers some of the questions that people have about why I
> want to establish a means of communicating in Morse via the Internet, in
> real time. However, while I have found a plethora of information on how to
> have the computer turn Morse into type, I have yet to find out how to
> interface my Bencher paddle to my Compaq, and set up a site where CW fans
> could chat. If anyone has any ideas please pass them on.

You would need to send a series of packets or variable length packets
encoded with a timing function appropriate for the letter. The packet
would be accepted in a mode such that it would log a series of packets
to memory, then sound them on the fly. On a 30 mhz or faster machine,
that would be easily doable, unless the operating system was too slow
to handle it.

For example send 1 packet for the letter e.

send 3 packets for the letter T, etc.

That would be a crude way, and not very elegant, but would be
physically the most correct way.

It should be possible to encode in one packet a stream of morse text,
something like the text that is seen in folks .signatures such as
``.'' for dit and ``-'' for dah, and similar for prescribe timing spaces.
Then, all the program would need to do on the other end is decode the
timing from the text and sound it.

That would be a somewhat more elegant way.

Probably the best way to do it via the internet is just send a packet
encoded in ascii representations of the full ITU Morse code character
set, and convert that on the fly.

I could sense that maybe 50 lines of straight code in a morse function
in C might do it and it could be tacked onto any available program for
which C calling functions might be added that did basic ethernet/serial
interfacing.

For timing, have the program read the system clock, and count 10 seconds,
and divide accordingly.

My crude dos and CP/M programs use a simple incremental counter as the
timer, but they require recompilation on the target machine if the speed
of the processor is off of what I usually run.

For the bencher paddles, you would need a timing loop of some sort that would read the ADC port (joystick port) and look for a simple presence or absence of a voltage. It could also be done by merely reading the RS-232 port and monitoring the receive line as high or low, but making a keyer do that would not be easy without some interfacing chips or a transistor or two for logic ttl to rs232 conversion.

If you have the joystick port, you could read midscale as nul and then read - or zero as dits and +5 or whatever as dahs and do the timing functions on them. You could even do the same thing on a parallel port if you read the bit pattern on the parallel port in real time. A tieup line to +5volts or such and pulldown through a 1K ohm resistor would allow you to monitor the transitions and logic levels corresponding to the dits or dahs. It could even be made self-completing if you set the timing function sequentially after first firing to read then check for other transitions or read and space time and then check for other transitions.

That way you could even hook your bencher or your bug or your straight sending iron into the line.....(:+}}....

> Meanwhile, I will leave the arguments over code vs. no code to the rest of
> you.

Do.... Hey, I would love to see if this kind of thing would work.

Anyone got any code snippets they want to try out on dos or unix boxes?

Morse Code on the Internet..... yup.... the dawn of a new era.....

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

623. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u62s$q7c$5@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182372
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

William Lee <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:

> > that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off
> > saving my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.
> >
> This person has no idea of what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
> by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
> something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
> the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...

Bill, you are forgetting American Morse where timing is in the spacings.

Try a letter C in American Morse, for instance......

dit dit space dit

or the letter Q

dit dit dah dit.

That sounds well with a tapper (read sounder). Thus tapping on pipes
is legitimate. One needs to just develop a different hearing pattern
on the sounds. Pipes characteristically have rather long time constants
so even dahs should sound well.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

> William Lee N5WRX

624. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B29B7A.5D1A@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182373
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote...
>
> You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio
> sets can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore. The designers
> don't have a clue of what it is all about --- they may have the
> brains and the fancy Ph.D's, EE's or whatever, but they can't seem
> to manage good QSK, compared to the Ten-Tec crew at a practical
> level. I have always wondered why......

REPLY...

I won't dispute that Bob. It is probably far better for someone with actual experience to design the radio. But the bigger companies are building radios to be used all over the radio spectrum.

For these companies, the Amateur radio market is only a tiny part of their business. And because it is such a small part of their business, it is unlikely that they would go out of their way to hire engineers with Amateur experience. That is not an excuse, only a fact.

But, in spite of that, you still have to give the "Kenicoyasawhooie" companies some credit. They are sticking with ham radio, even if it is not that large of a market. And they are building decent radios, even if they are not the very best designed radios. And, if you shop around enough, you can find a few sweet apples in the lackluster "Kenicoyasawhooie" orchard.

By the way, I like Carl R. Stevenson's "YaesIcoWood" better than "Kenicoyasawhooie." Although "Kenicoyasawhooie" is not bad.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

625. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u6r4$q7c$6@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182374
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
> To send Morse by tapping, you need two distinctive taps, one for element
> start and the other for element end. Telegraph sounders gave you that.
> Key down made a click sound and key up made a clack sound. That way
> you could determine element timing and thus determine what was sent.
> With just clicks, you couldn't tell a dit from an intraelement space.

Also, one might consider that there is a ringing that occurs on the sounder board (the reason for the sounding board to begin with, and for the sounder box often used [and maybe also for the tin ``lids'' used as amplifiers or ringers by the ``lids'' of telegraphy fame]). If you listen carefully, you can hear a ringing bell sound rather below the intensity of the click/clack of the armature. It rings kindof like a plucked and muted stringed instrument, but not so long in time constant. It sort of seems like the armature resonance coupled to the sounding board resonance, perhaps.

Even continental morse flows well on a sounder because of the long ringing time constant of the entire machine. It is also a fun way to interface Mr. Morse to a modern receiver, if anyone cares.

Bob/NA4G

626. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B2A1F8.1581@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182375
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> jrerlewe@mtu.edu (Joseph) wrote...
>
> Many radios can do this. Easily. I cut a green wire on my Yaesu
> FT-530, and it receives cellphones.

REPLY...

Not with GSM (the system used in Portugal). I suppose it is possible to pick up the GSM network, but not that easily. However, he might be able to use a modified radio to pick up the actual cellular phone (and local repeaters that are not on the GSM system), but that would be very limited.

He best bet would be to look around the internet for radio modifications, modify his radio, and hope he gets lucky. Or he could try to find the guy on the television program and ask him how he did it (ask the tv station for the guy's name and address).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

627. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net>
Message-ID: <34B2A1E3.1559F551@dm.net>
Source record: 182376
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

How does a year in the slammer sound???

ricardo wrote:
>
> I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
> and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
> conversation from a cellular phone,i don´t remenber very well, but i think
> he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
> (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
> He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,
>
> It´s possible ? how ?
> --
> Ricardo Marques
> ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt

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-John S. Bond <kingsnake> WA6FRN/6
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628. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: h0444xrp@blablarz.hu-berlin.de
Message-ID: <34b153fd.3502237@newshost.rz.hu-berlin.de>
Source record: 182377
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio.nocode

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 17:14:54 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>The number of hams in JA is increasing.
>Although no-code basic license allows you to operate on HF spectrum,
>many operate on VHF/UHF even on microwave bands.
>440 repeaters are used, 1.2 GHz repeaters are used and they are now
>setting up 2.4 GHz repeaters. This is a way to keep ham radio
>spectrum.
>...
They have been setting up 1.2GHz repeaters a few years ago... Why? Because there are lots of hams, but most of them only communicate inside JA, not with other countries. Many only have contacts with members of their local club. For that, VHF/UHF/... will fit most times...
Also: How many of them are active hams? I met quite a few telling me that they would be hams too, but when I asked for their call, they only remembered "something starting with J..."

>learn something from JA.
I learnt when I was there. What did you learn about Canada meanwhile?

>here, almost nobody uses UHF higher than 70cm. well... 70cm repeaters
>are even under used. 2m repeater are underused here in Montreal
>as well.
>commercial guys are almost there to take our bands.
>keep cw and make ham radio dead. heheeheheeee....
Hmm, I don`t know about the situation in VE or W (although I heard that there are fewer hams/sqkm than in DL - maybe that`s the reason why distances are longer and activity is not that high?)
Here in DL you only need a "real" antenna to hear activity on VHF/UHF/SHF - at least in larger cities. All only a question of density...

By the way: Motto nagai signature ha nai no ka na?

Olaf Fichtner, Humboldt University, Chinese&Japanese Department
DL7UND, Member of JAIG #133 AX.25: DL7UND@DB0GR.#BLN.DEU.EU
Please delete "blabla" in the address for correct reply...

629. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68u7ds$q7c$7@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182378

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

> HUH?? We're talking about 75 meters here! That means General class or above!
> ALL the participants in this brou-ha-ha (at least the licensed ones) have
> passed that precious Morse test of 13WPM or better!

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

True, the all supposedly passed a code test. BUT, very few of them
even have a clue as to what to do with it, and, if tested again, today,
would fail miserably. That is sad for them, and the service.

Bob/NA4G

630. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106215501.QAA12074@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182379

>CBRambo wrote:
>
>> HUH?? We're talking about 75 meters here! That means General class or
>> above!
>> ALL the participants in this brou-ha-ha (at least the licensed ones) have
>> passed that precious Morse test of 13WPM or better!
>>
>>
>
>Yep even that bunch of losers were able to learn code. And you can't even
>match them. Guess where that puts you?

Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the all-important Morse code examination. Unlike you and others like you who continue to stick their heads in the sand, however, I realize that continuing the requirement in 1998 does nothing to help...and in fact is hurting amateur radio.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

631. Re: Computer interference

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B2A899.3619@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182380

> "George " <kilowatt@jadeinc.com> wrote...
>
> Anybody have any good suggestions on how to get ride of interference
> from a computer monitor, it drives me crazy when I'm on ten meters.

REPLY...

That depends on where the interference is coming from (and to answer that, you are going to have to do some work).

If is is coming from the cable, between the computer and monitor, the solution is a better shielded cable. If it is coming from the internal electronics, the solution is to increase the shielding on the case. If it is coming from the power cord, the solution is to use another outlet (or a filter). If it is coming from the CRT tube, you out of luck.

How do you find out which is the source of interference? If it is the cable, the way to test it is to try various cables. If the interference changes, get a cable with the best shielding you can find (an electronics store can help you).

If it is case shielding, the way to test it is to carefully wrap grounded aluminum foil around the outside of the case (don't short out any connections). If the interference changes, take the case off and spray the inside of the case with a metal coating and ground the case. If you're really cheap, you can glue aluminum foil to the inside of the case and ground that (it has been done).

Sometimes interference can come over the power cord (or the ground wire on the outlet). Try connecting either the monitor, or radio, to another outlet. Also make sure they are not grounded to the same grounding block (assuming you have your station properly grounded).

If none of these solve the problem, the likely source is the CRT tube itself. The only solution is to replace the monitor (making sure to get a well shielded monitor this time).

Of course, before you do all that, try moving your radio around a little. Sometimes you can lose all interference by simply moving the radio farther away from the computer, or changing the radio's position in relation to the computer (move the radio to the other side of the computer).

One solution I saw involved using a grounded metal shelf between the radio and computer. It did not get rid of the interference completely, but it did cut it down. Another solution involved placing the radio in a grounded metal housing (again not perfect, but an improvement).

Good luck!

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

632. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884123534.1690632209@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182381

iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:

> Is a false alarm a failure?

In my view, it is a failure. False alarms are so pervasive that bridge crews now routinely ignore GMDSS alerts because they only see false alarms, never a bona fide alert.

I've never heard of anyone ignoring an SOS on 500KHz, and the 15-18/45-48 minute arcs are still emblazoned in red on my shack clock, habit of 21 years of sea duty.

73, de Hans, K0HB

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

633. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106220301.RAA00184@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182382

>> Hey, if someone passes the test, obtains a license, and purchases a radio,
>they
>> have the right (within legal parameters, of course) to use that radio any
>way
>> they see fit.
>
>No, they don't have a RIGHT to do anything. They have a priviledge to use
>the radio in accordance with the rules and common operating proceedures
>of the service in which they are using it. Example: I have have a ham
>license.
>That ham license doesn't give me the right to hit you on the head with my
>VHF radio, although, at this point, I think that might be a good use for a
>VHF
>radio.

Read my comments again, old man. I said "WITHIN LEGAL PARAMETERS, OF COURSE"
Again, if someone passes the tests and is issued a license, they have the LEGAL
RIGHT to use their radio for any legally-permitted purpose, as specified in the
FCC rules and regulations.

>As Mike mentioned, most hams understand that the autopatch on a VHF or UHF
>repeater is there for a) emergency calls and b) once in a while other calls
>and
>is not a replacment for a cell phone. Most people with ham licenses that
>shoud
>have little yellow FRS radios instead don't understand that. Thus the
>conflict.

Hey, if you wish to dictate who does and does not use "your" autopatch, you
better make sure it's a closed system. I will use any open autopatch I damn
well please. If you don't like it (assuming it's your repeater), SHUT IT OFF!
If it's NOT your repeater, than you really don't have anything to say about the
matter.

(more psychobabble by card-carrying member of the ARRL deleted for the sake of
brevity)

>Queston: If the 'old girl' was to die tommorrow, how will that make you
>feel,
>and why ?

As I mentioned in a previous post...not "if", but "when" ham radio finally
collapeses from the inside-out and dies a premature death, I will be laughing
my patootie off! You arrogant, condescending, know-it-all, "I am God" HAMBO
types have been asking for it for a good long time. Karma, my friend. Wait
and see...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

634. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <68ub7uhcs1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 182383
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kingsnake (kingsnake@dm.net) wrote:
: How does a year in the slammer sound???

Like a major breach of my guaranteed first amendment rights.

Think about it, the government is trying to regulate what you should and shouldn't listen to. Granted, its not a new thing, but laws about it seem almost as rediculous as prohibition...

The same freedom the US fought for for other countries is now in jeopardy IN THE US ITSELF!

and why? cuz some senator got snitched on when someone heard him talking about his scandalous affairs on a cellphone....

When (maybe if?) people realize almost anything that is wireless (note that i am not DISCOUNTING things WITH wires here... :) can be received by other than the party intended as the recipient.

If you think about it, weigh all the angles, and dont just spout off for some reason (like if you have a cell phone or something), you can see that making such a law as the one that exists is a waste of paper.

Now, i don't listen to cellphones, frankly, i'm not interested.
Nor do i plan to be. In fact, I also find it sad that it is almost impossible to find a way to communicate using wireless methods without the risk of a third party interception. Hey, i'm just like everyone else and sometimes want my privacy. But there comes a point when you have to be aware of what is out there and how to protect yourself. Ever see pulp fiction? When he is bringing the Overdosing girl to the seller's house, he realizes that the guy is on a cellphone, and immediately hangs up after claiming audibly "prank caller prank caller, who is this? i dont know you!" Now, beit a somewhat semi-believable and far-fetched example, i think we should all think about what means we communicate through, because you never know who is listening...

I can't wait until the day they make it illegal to hear someone who is talking above average volume to another person at another table in a restaurant.

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: ricardo wrote:
: > =

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: > I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
: > and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen =
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: > conversation from a cellular phone,i don=B4t remenber very well, but i =
: think
: > he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
: > (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
: > He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that=
: ,
: > =
:
: > It=B4s possible ? how ?
: > --
: > Ricardo Marques
: > ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt
:
: -- =
:
:
: -John S. Bond <kingsnake> WA6FRN/6
: kingsnake photography; a division of Gyro Gearloose Productions
: http://www.humboldt1.com/~gyrgrls/
: ICQ uin:4604100
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Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
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WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz

635. TS430s DIN sockets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Miller <jayem@melbpc.org.au>
Message-ID: <68rpoe$2ur$1@wombat.melbpc.org.au>
Source record: 182393

I have just bought a TS430s and I got no handbook with it. Could any kind person please tell me the connections to the two DIN sockets on the rear panel. I believe one of them is for a phone patch, which is just what I need for my SSTV connection

Thanks in advance
John VK3DJM
Packet VK3DJM@VK3KSD.#MEL.VIC.AUS.OC

636. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: thetopdog@theoffice.net
Message-ID: <68rt8i$cid@faile.nidlink.com>
Source record: 182394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

All this talk about code well taste this
I personally know several xclass ops and none of them
use code by hand but by computer and they type in the message
and the pc send the code for them and the guy on the other end
recieves the code and his pc spits out words so why learn the code if the
computer knows how to? Another delema is not all xclass ops are real
and out of the many I know none of them can even do code by hand and yes
they all say I learned to get to the top and that my friend is a lie because
I was offer to get there for money and out of all the xclass people
I know of at least 2 out of twenty that I know really have a real lincense
and the other 18 were there friends who know nothing about radios so this
self policing the ham band got out of hand and anyone who has a friend is
now a ham , lets go back to the 70's when the fcc gave you the test and not
your friend. that will scare alot of them and they would all flunk and the
air will be clear for only licensed operators not just abunch of idiots who
think the code should be gone because the code may say a life someday
because the only radio was a car radio that you converted to a cw machine
and then the code you learned will help if not well lay there and die
because your friend forgot what amateur radio is and why we have it and that
is to learn how to communicate using anything you got. if not then maybe you
should just stick to the citizen band where no code is required and leave
the ham band for the people who really like to learn and help others.If
everyone was a ham then the air would be crowded with gigberish and that is
what your chicken band CB is for the people who just gibber so there you
goand I said what I said and I really don't care what anyone says because
the code is here to stay and I will fight for that right just to keep
children who just play away from real radio operators......

637. 160 meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com>
Message-ID: <34B17A9D.1093@ccnet.com>
Source record: 182395

An HT for 160 meters is a great idea......but the 240 foot rubber duck is a killer.

Don, W6IQ

638. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b37c89.10442737@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182396
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net> wrote:

>Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:
>
>>....a 3000 ton Bahamas-registered ship
>> used
>> it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.
>>
>> The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped
>> worldwide at midnight.
>>
>> The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26
>> when its cargo of wood shifted in storm-force winds and it lost all
>> engine
>> power
>> Wednesday.
>>
>> The ship tapped out Morse code's final SOS and the signals were picked
>> up in Britain and passed to the Falmouth coastguard. The Coast Guard
>> initially
>> considered the message a joke signaling the end of an era.
>>
>> Guard spokesman Gerry Wood said, ``We haven't had a Morse distress
>> message for years. It was almost too perfect.''
>>
>> But he said they reacted knowing ``someone was in distress... as nobody
>> ever sends an SOS signal as an exercise.''
>>
>> Ship signals are now dispatched by modern satellite voice and computer
>> communication.
>>
>> The Morse code system dates back to 1908 when British and German radio
>> operators agreed to use the SOS message.
>>
>> The letters were chosen because they are simple to tap out in Morse
>> code: dot-dot-dot-dash-dash-dash-dot-dot-dot.
>>
>> Wednesday's message from the Oak said only ``SOS. SOS. This is Oak.
>> Position 53 16 N, 24 59 W. Stop engine. We need assistance.''
>>
>> British Coast Guard officials report the ship has been abandoned and the
>> nearest ship is some 400 miles away. But the Oak's crew and captain are
>> reportedly aboard lifeboats.

>
>But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate? Clover
>should have worked (provided someone else who also had Clover
>capabilities had made an appointment for the emergency qso). RTTY should
>have worked. Or packet. Heck, the message would have made it that
>distance within 3-4 days, provided there were with VHF range of a packet
>station. Or satellite or voice or something...why did they have to use
>CW to get saved??? Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
>they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?
>
>Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
>
>KR4AJ

No one ever said there should not be any CW in the future ... we only
want to change the exam proceedures.

The owner of that ship should be held accountable for not having more
modern communications capability on board.
The Wild West indians here in the USA once used smoke signals but I
doubt there are very many people now who could recognize a SOS smoke
signal sent in Cherokee or Black Foot languages. Now the idians would
probably use FRS or SSB or FM on 2m or 6m or maybe 20m.
W4SCO

639. cannot feel the love here for masa>>>WHY??????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34b28402.1240157@news.flash.net>
Source record: 182397

For some reason, I just cannot feel the love here for that masa
person. I should use one of his phrases.....HE IS A RACIST.....
oh well, things must be getting tough in Canada, masa wants
to dictate AARL and US ham policies......does that mean that
they don't love him in canada either???

640. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: edhowell@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106013900.UAA25486@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182398

Why retake the code test? Get a doctor sign your application indicating you are handicapped and cant take the code test,. like so many in Charleston have done. We got loads of Extras here that dont even recognize their own callsign in CW! Take a look at the affadavit on the back of 610. A doctor is not required to even know what he's signing! I like CW because when I was first licensed, I HAD to work CW a year before I could take the" Class A" exam. So I learned to like it. Now I QSO mostly on CW (anything up to 45 wpm) and handle traffic, for the most part, on SSB. To each his own. Amateur Radio has something for everyone!

641. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106014601.UAA29298@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182399

>> I can't fault the newly licensed Tech's. They received damn little
>> encouragement from the established Amateur community and much worse
>> nothing from the ARRL.

There follows from Lumpy a long list of free help provided by the ARRL....

.>I'm not sure what you mean by damn little encouragement.???
>
>Lumpy

He means they didn't give him a rig, waive the code requirement, find him a
women to brighten his drab little life, pick up his food stamps, wipe
his.....

KMB

642. KPC-3 TNC for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: nobody@REPLAY.COM
Message-ID: <68s1ua$k7t@basement.replay.com>
Source record: 182400

Kantronic KPC-3 for sale. Bidding starts at $30. Go to URL below

http://komodo.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=3887565

Thanks

643. re: Kenwood TS50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lee <rfi@vol.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1a46$b1aed5a0$5a6a1b26@default>
Source record: 182401

Yes, I highly recommend them. In fact it is the only HF rig I have.
Plusses:
Can be turned up to 150 watts and still have clean sig and no overheating.
Easy to operate and program.

Minused:
No built-in keyer.
I have done a lot of contesting with just my TS50 and a random length loop
and was able to get a
"Clean Sweep" in the November Sweepsakes SSB in both 1995 and 97. The
going rate for a used
one here is about $600-650 which is MUCH cheaper than a new one.

73,
Lee (NY4T)
http://www.qsl.net/ny4t

644. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf9bd@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106022401.VAA05060@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182402

I just purchased one (used) along with the AT-50 tuner, about two weeks ago. I have installed it into my truck and am using hamstick antennas.

I have found it easy to use and have received nothing but good reports concerning audio and signal performance. I live in Arlington, TX and have made contacts in Ireland, Japan, Cuba, and England from my driveway using the hamstick antennas.

I have found no problems with the radio or tuner thus far.

Good Luck

Danny

645. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1a4c$b6b82500$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182403
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<68pkbg$63e$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> writes:
>
> > Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
> > proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
> > They are the types who give US hams a bad reputation as rude and
> > arrogant.
>
> You mean, similar to these comments you've made (independently verifiable
> on DejaNews for the person so inclined):
>
> ---> Include "StevensonQuotes.txt"

[snipped quotes that bear no relation to MDs/Kehler's attacks on "Masa"
solely on the basis that he is a Japanese person whose English skills
are not up to their standards]

> And you have the cookies to call other people ignnorant......

Yes, Mike, I HAVE called you an asshole and an idiot ... on at least
several occasions ... BECAUSE YOU ACT LIKE ONE SO DAMNED CONSISTENTLY.

At least I had a REASON ...

That is WORLDS different that attacking a foreigner for whom English
is a second language for some silly grammatical mistakes just so you
can take a cheap shot ... one has to wonder if you would attack "Masa"
so vigorously if he were a) not Japanese and b) not in favor of the
elimination of mandatory Morse tests for access to HF ... as I said,
you and Jim Kehler are amongst the worst examples of "Ugly Americanism"
that I have EVER seen. (And I saw some AWFULLY rude and ignorant gringos
while I lived in Mexico ...)

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Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

646. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1a4d$01ca96e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 182404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote in article
<34B064EC.295@scan.missouri.org>...
> Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
> > Right, Bill ... MD and Jim Kehler's comments to/WRT "Masa's" English
> > proficiency are simply another example of "Ugly Americanism" at work.
> >
>
> There IS NO uglier American anywhere than you, Your Codelessness, and
> I've never even seen your picture. Beauty is skin deep, but Ugly goes
> all the way to the bone. Someone might be overweight and he can diet,
> but for you there's no help. Ugly is as ugly does, to paraphrase Forrest
> Gump.

Dick,

It would figure that Forrest Gump would be your intellectual mentor
and role mode.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
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help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

647. WTB H1000 slug for Bird 43

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmiller@fix.net
Message-ID: <34b19cb4.701890@news.fix.net>
Source record: 182405

Hello, this is Harry Miller KB6CGG (hmiller@fix.net). I am posting this for a friend of mine, Joe Farmer N5RII in Huntsville AL. He is looking for the H1000 slug for a Bird 43 wattmeter. If you have one, please email him jfarm@bellsouth.net or call him 205-822-6413.

Tnx es 73 Harry KB6CGG

648. Re: 160 meter HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark <crslex@iglou.com>
Message-ID: <34B1C574.4B69@iglou.com>
Source record: 182406

T E I X E I R A wrote:
>
> An HT for 160 meters is a great idea......but the 240 foot rubber duck
> is a killer.
>
> Don, W6IQ
That's a good one, Don.......you would need a ground radial also.
Then you would have to stand on top of the Empire state building to have
a dipole......the coils in the handheld would need to be large also....
An HT about the size of an antenna tuner!

649. Re: Handbook?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106032301.WAA13950@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182407

You heard of Surplus Sales? Probably be a neat place to visit, too, based upon their catalog.

Any news stands? Pick up a ham mag. and look under A.R.R.L. They usually advertise their publications. Typical ham mag include QST, the journal of the ARRL(sold at my local grocery), 73 MAG, and CQ MAG.

(There, K�HB, I can answer simple questions)

K�MB
What a soft-ass!

650. Re: Attitudes Of Hams When Advice Is Requested

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106032700.WAA11933@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182408

>Dear K0MB,
>
>You might use that library card to find a copy of "The Amateur Code"
>by Paul Segal. You seem especially ignorant about the parts where
>it talks about "considerate", "helpful", and similar topics.

>If you don't like some of the "ignorant" questions you see, then
>simply ignore them. It is not necessary for you to post patronizing
>and sarcastic answers to demonstrate your "superior" knowledge and
>bad manners.
>
>

>73, de Hans, K0HB

Didn't I just read this as E-mail from you? Is it posted on every NG, and can
I look forward to another 5-10 readings? An advert in the WS Journal maybe?

KMB

651. Re: What a great way to keep ham radio spectrum ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: al7dl@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980106034400.WAA14428@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182409

>The number of station licenses is increasing... unfortunately...
>especially among young people (it's very common among high school
>kids).

I assume from what you state here that you are saddened by the increase in station licenses in Japan??

>please let me know any 1.2 or 2.4 GHz repeaters in US.
>I am sure others are also interested.
>
>

Suggest you pick up a copy of the ARRL Repeater Directory (available through the ARRL (http://www.arrl.org). I see no reason to do such easy research on your behalf. Also, you might connect to the artsci web page (www.artscipub.com) and do a little research on your own.

>flooding the bands is the way to keep the spectrum.
>If HFs are packed, many will move to higher bands.
>That's what's happening in JA.

Simple suggestion then to getting more hams on the bands. Do away with all testing, pack a license application in with every radio sold and have, on the license application, that whoever applies for an amateur license certify that they will abide by all applicable regulations. This will fill up the amateur bands quickly.

>introduce phonetics instead of electronic devices.

I have no idea what this means... Please explain, in detail, what is mean by this statement.

You don't really address my statement of electronic theory in testing. Your suggestion only refers to some vague items on how to make and respond to a call. This does not require testing, only a few sentences (or perhaps a paragraph or two) in a pamphlet. I seem to remember in one of your previous posts concerning antenna length that you stated that you memorized the questions and answers for the exam and promptly forgot everything. This tends to support my suggestion that testing for amateur radio exams be dropped, and a simple applied for license be substituted along with a small booklet outlining how to operate a radio and make a call.

BTW, Masa, many of us are still waiting for the names and addresses of the 'several personnels' that you mentioned in your posting regarding your licensing suggestion. You did state that they were interested in hearing everyone's opinions, but we have no way to contact them with our comments... How about it??

Bryce, K1GAX (ex AL7DL)

652. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: thecbguy@iname.com
Message-ID: <34b1ab16.11342705@news.det.ameritech.net>
Source record: 182410
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Mon, 05 Jan 1998 03:20:19 -0600, David- <david084@flash.net> wrote:

>>
>> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
>> wrote:
>>
>> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave oven already
>> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general public seems
>> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two decades, in spite
>> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
>
> Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
>while its operating?

Naw, we usually stand right in front of them....so we can fry our
reproductive organs....

The Cb Guy

http://www.ameritech.net/users/thecbguy/cbradio.htm

653. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <68scrh$nq7$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182411
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

[snipped BS about cw/HF blasphemy]
>: >
[snipped BS about non-english band allocation]
>: >
[snipped BS about poor ol' bent or broken CrACKeD]
>
[snipped BS about Richard being a prick]
>
>If what I was trying to say seems "indecipherable" to you, then let me
>attempt to make it as simple as possible. Someone posted this comment:
>
>: > : don't "force" him to learn the English language just to
>: > : post on an English language newsgroup! That's just like making
Carl
>: > : learn CW to get on HF! Blasphemy!!!
>
>I replied:
>
>: > No, actually it's not. Maybe if there were an allocated
"non-English"
>: > section inside an English newsgroup, but otherwise, it's not. Get
it?
>: > And if you do, do you also get how this ties into the whole CW/HF
issue?
>
>What does that mean? It means that making Carl (or anyone) learn CW to
>get on HF has no real point. There are areas of the HF bands allocated
>for voice only, digital only, etc. The whole learning English to use
an
>English newsgroup analogy is pretty stinky because unlike the HF bands,
>there is no area in, say, rec.radio.amateur.misc, allocated to
non-English
>methods/modes of communication. With all due respect, do you
understand
>my point yet?

CrACKeD....
I understand the point you are trying to make very well, but your logic
is badly flawed. Take a close look at the HF Amateur Radio frequency
allocation and the charts which describe the modes of operation allowed.
You will find that CW is ALLOWED on every HF frequency. That is ONE
good reason for keeping the cw REQUIREMENT in the testing process for HF
band amateur licenses.

Sorry CrACKeD... your argument just doesn't hold water.

Regards and 73's

Frank de K7RMJ dit..dit

654. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: markv@pixar.com
Message-ID: <68sb1o$d8b$1@atlantis.pixar.com>
Source record: 182412
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <68rlrm$7jh$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:
>In article <68r176kcg1@arctic.discover.net>,
> Baldy <baldy@discovery.com> wrote:
>>I'm an inactive no-coder, digital modes was all I got a license for in the
>>first place. The only time I ever used voice was driving to / from work or to
>>use the local phone-patch. The current AM / FM / SSB modes are waste of
>>spectrum....I personally think "contesting" and "paper chasing" are a waste
>>of time and spectrum, and should be banned. But it keeps the magazines going...
>
>Welp, there you have it:
>
>1) contesting and "paper chasing" should be 'banned' because they are a waste
> of spectrum and time,
>2) CW is a waste of spectrum
>thus
>3) CW should be banned too.

Are you blind, or just irrevocably dense? This guy stated quite
clearly "I PERSONALLY THINK" meaning that those were his opinions. As
counterproductive and as ludicrous as I find code testing, I would not
be so bold as to say people don't have a right to their own opinions,
nor would I shamelessly misquote someone like this to make some
pathetic point.

Mark
--
Mark T. VandeWettering Telescope Information (and more)
Email: <markv@pixar.com> http://www.idle.com/~markv/

655. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B1D93A.5876@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182413
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Brian wrote:

its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
> free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
> in to retirement.
> 73, Brian/N0iMD

When you've Elmered a few dozen newbies and ran a VE team for 8 years,
come talk to me. Seems like it may be your turn.

73, Dick W0EX

656. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Lewis <aa4pb@erols.com>
Message-ID: <34B21E8A.B6F39C2B@erols.com>
Source record: 182414

I've had a TS-50 in my pickup for two years now. No
complaints. I use the Hamstick antennas.

Nick wrote:

> i want to buy one TS-50
> do you recomend this !!!???
>
> thanks DE SV1DKN

657. Help! 20 to 60 metre home antenna design needed!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "S.Burrows" <S.Burrows@mailbox.uq.edu.au>
Message-ID: <01bd1a9d$a634aea0$d0f165cb@steve-b>
Source record: 182415
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi radio lovers,

I need a design for a HF receiver (3.5MHz-30MHz but at least 3.5-18M) that is OK for a back yard (which has a pool, garage etc). I have seen a commercial VERTICAL affair but was many meters high (and vertical and expensive ..how does this pickup horizontally polarised signals (I'm new to this, as you can tell).

If you can help please either email me advice or post it here. I am very appreciative.

S.Burrows@mailbox.uq.edu.au

658. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <68t8ob$io9@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com> wrote:

>Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> writes:
>: Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>: >You think? Then why are so many codeless hams pulling duty as the
>: >officers of their local clubs? Running walk/bikathon communications?
>: >Running Severe Weather Nets? Teaching classes to prospective hams?
>: >Getting CPR training to club members? Is it because they want a free
>: >ride? No, its because the more qualified old duffers are taking the
>: >free ride. They passed their self serving 13/20WPM exam and then went
>: >in to retirement.
>: >73, Brian/N0iMD

>: Hi Brian. The 'codeless' hams in your old club aren't pulling any duty.
>: The only thing they are pulling is in their pants..... Most of them can't
>: even spell public service, more less do it. But now their favorite toy
>: is broken, and we aren't going to fix it for them anymore, so we'll see
>: how long it takes until all the HT's are in the closet with a dead battery.

>: 73, Jim KH2D

>By God Jim, are you really this much of a stereotypical bigot or are you
>trying to be funny?

You figure it out. Email Brian, maybe he can help you.....

73, Jim KH2D

659. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b1850f.2140440@news.total.net>
Source record: 182417
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 6 Jan 1998 00:18:26 GMT, thetopdog@theoffice.net (Top Dog) wrote:

>All this talk about code well taste this

>I personally know several xclass ops and none of them
>use code by hand but by computer and they type in the message
>and the pc send the code for them and the guy on the other end
>recieves the code and his pc spits out words so why learn the code if the
>computer knows how to?

because someone tells you so. someone tells you so and you must
follow it. it's dangerous eh ??

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

660. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b22888.3084847@news.total.net>
Source record: 182418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 6 Jan 1998 04:44:33 GMT, oak.NOSPAM@texas.net (K7RMJ) wrote:

>CrACKeD....
>I understand the point you are trying to make very well, but your logic
>is badly flawed. Take a close look at the HF Amateur Radio frequency
>allocation and the charts which describe the modes of operation allowed.

> You will find that CW is ALLOWED on every HF frequency. That is ONE
>good reason for keeping the cw REQUIREMENT in the testing process for HF
>band amateur licenses.

You will find that SSB is allowed on every HF frequency except 10 MHz.
This is one good reason for allowing no-coders to operate on HF bands
except 10 MHz. If you like CW, go to 10 MHz.

>Sorry CrACKeD... your argument just doesn't hold water.

sorry. yours too.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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661. Re: Morse code programs that use the sound card.?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lloyd Colston <colston@viagrafix.com>
Message-ID: <34B22D63.41CE@viagrafix.com>
Source record: 182419
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Look to http://www.cyberway.com.sg/~pearllim/basic/morse.txt and
http://home.earthlink.net/~ggte/mtgold.htm for Morse Tutor programs.
The latter specifically says it supports sound cards. At
http://www.frankeser.net/drivers/ham-mors.htm is a page listing the
various software. Some of the descriptions mention sound cards.

Look to http://ld.net/?kc5fm for help with low cost long distance
service no matter where you live.

Let me know how more I can help.

--
Lloyd Colston Excellence is not an accident
Pryor, OK USA social worker, writer, editor
Member: International Small Business Consortium
KC5FM Home page http://www.viagrafix.com/colston

662. Re: Morse code programs that use the sound card.?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <0isP3BA53is0EwNg@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182420
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <68p2s8$rg3$1@henge1.henge.com>, Darrell Shandrow
<nu7i@henge1.henge.com> writes
>
>I am looking for a program that will allow the user to generate Morse code
>using the computer's sound card, such as a Sound Blaster 16. Does anyone
>know of such a program that is shareware or freeware? I suppose that I
>might also be interested in any such commercial software, if there is
>nothing elsewhere. I need to make some code tapes for a ham friend.
>Thanks.
>
>
Yes I have a free one at http://www.kay-dee.demon.co.uk, it will send a
text file so should be ideal.
--
Don Ward G0MDO

663. Re: 90s vocabulary

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68t9e6$8ov$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182421

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104224014.29016A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
J. Herman <jherman@sierra.NET> wrote:

>Interface with people? Dang, Bill - is that like intercourse except
>you use your face?
>
>Hey MD, make sure you practice safe interface - we don't want you getting
>acne...

Hi Jeff!

I was just "interfacing" last night. Unfortunately, I didn't have a
"protective shield". I hope that "harmonics" don't happen to pop up!

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

664. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68t9ba$8o4$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182422
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <01bd1a4c$b6b82500$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>> You mean, similar to these comments you've made (independently verifiable
>> on DejaNews for the person so inclined):
...
>Yes, Mike, I HAVE called you an asshole and an idiot ... on at least
>several occasions ... BECAUSE YOU ACT LIKE ONE SO DAMNED CONSISTENTLY.
>
>At least I had a REASON ...

Ohhhhh. I see. In other words, your antisocial behaviour is "okay"
because you have a "reason".

>That is WORLDS different that attacking a foreigner for whom English
>is a second language for some silly grammatical mistakes just so you
>can take a cheap shot

I don't believe I've ever posted a message criticizing MASAs grammar
or spelling. I did attempt to explain, in a serious way, that if he
wants to be taken seriously he needs to make a more concerted effort
to write intelligently. Apparently nobody, with all their politically-
correct feel-good nonesense, had the testicular fortitude to explain
something that should be painfully obvious to the kid.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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665. LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: ricardo <ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt>
Message-ID: <A4036B249D5BD111AADB0000E8D7353ABB8C83@mail.sonet.pt>
Source record: 182423
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
conversation from a cellular phone,i don�t remenber very well, but i think
he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
(in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,

It�s possible ? how ?
--
Ricardo Marques
ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt

666. LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: ricardo <ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt>
Message-ID: <A4036B249D5BD111AADB0000E8D7353ABB8C98@mail.sonet.pt>
Source record: 182424
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
conversation from a cellular phone,i don�t remenber very well, but i think
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(in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,

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Ricardo Marques
ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt

667. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B23FF3.2675@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182425
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CrACKeD wrote:
The whole learning English to use an
> English newsgroup analogy is pretty stinky because unlike the HF bands,
> there is no area in, say, rec.radio.amateur.misc, allocated to non-English
> methods/modes of communication. With all due respect, do you understand
> my point yet?
>

Of course I get your point...we should welcome with open arms anyone
who wishes to post unintelligible drivel to an English language
newsgroup just as we should welcome anyone who wishes to avoid learning
code, to the HF bands. Same logic, same result. Those who don't learn
English well enough to write understandable posts and those who don't
learn code are both evidently uninterested enough to effectively post or
work code communications-still a major, required portion of ham
radio,despite the No-Code Agenda. If Cutsie wishes to remain totally
misunderstood and Stevenson and others wish to remain half-assed, it's
their choices.

668. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jan Marius Evang <jane@ifi.uio.no>
Message-ID: <xmloh1p8xoj.fsf@hrotti.ifi.uio.no>
Source record: 182426
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

>> ricardo writes:

r> I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year
r> ago, and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some
r> modifications,) listen a conversation from a cellular phone,i
r> don�t remenber very well, but i think he also use a satellite
r> receiver whith the radio. (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and
r> 1800Mhz) He only tell, that a person whith some electronic
r> knowledge can do that,

r> It�s possible ? how ?

Not on the GSM setwork. In the nordic countries we also use NMT,
which can easilly be tapped.

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-O /\ | Jan Marius Evang | Ladonia became independent in June
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\ /\ | /In Aurum Veritas/ | http://www.aim.se/ladonia/

669. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68tfk8$cn3$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182427

MRCOACH58 <mrcoach58@aol.com> wrote:
> HOW WOULD LIKE TO GET A LETTER FROM THE FCC SAYING YOUR 20WPM CODE TEST YOU
> TOOK A YEAR AGO WAS NO GOOD I DID........

If you actually passed the 20wpm test, then take it again. No sweat.
It should go like you were in your sleep, right.... like clockwork,
like apple pie, like water off a duck's back..... etc......

If you are one of those that can't do the code....... then you have
problems, and the old pendulum has swung around to bite.

ANY self-respecting ham should be able to retake any part of any prior
passed exam, no sweat. Something is wrong, if you can't, real wrong.

That is not meant to come down on you, but is a wake up call for the
entire ham community, perhaps?

Bob/NA4G

670. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <68tgh1$41t$1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 182428
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Many radios can do this.
Easily.
I cut a green wire on my Yaesu FT-530, and it receives cellphones. I did it mainly for the out-of-band transmit on UHF, because the radio, when at lowest power, puts out legal power in the FRS frequencies, so i can talk to my friends who have FRS radios. That turned out to be kind of a waste though, so i just left it modified for the sake of not opening it back up and fumbling with rediculously small wires.
So yes, for a FACT some FT-530s (later models had some components changed and may not be able to get cellphones though...) do this, and many scanners do, and i've seen an alinco, and an icom do the same. I'm sure that there are many others.

Even though the US is the only country I know of to fight for the right of other countries to be able to listen to any radio they wish and then a few years down the road, turn around and make it illegal in our own country, I think many people can and do listen to cellphones... I tried to see if the mod sheet i followed was correct. But seriously, who would care to listen to a bunch of "hi hon, i'm on my way home, do we need milk?" conversations? Sorry, but even though my rig does it, i'll stick to scanning the police freqs, weather freqs, FRS freqs, and of course, the Ham freqs..

Eavesdropping just doesn't seem "right..."

;)

-joseph

ricardo (ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt) wrote:
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: (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
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671. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68tfvm$cn3$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182429

Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> wrote:
> mrcoach58@aol.com (MRCOACH58) wrote:

> >HOW WOULD LIKE TO GET A LETTER FROM THE FCC SAYING YOUR 20WPM CODE TEST YOU
> >TOOK A YEAR AGO WAS NO GOOD I DID.....

> I'd love it. I'd even love it more if the FCC raised the extra class CW test to
> 40 wpm, general to 35 wpm, and novice to 30 wpm.

That is probably asking a little much..... something like the commercial
exams might be better:

novice/general/advanced 20wpm straight copy sending and receiving
by hand, without bugs, keyers, or mills
full ITU alphabet and punctuation.

extra 25wpm straight copy sending and receiving
by hand, bug, keyer, with/without mill
full ITU alphabet and punctuation, but
only after 12 mos time in grade at the
lower level.

Sounds like a winner to me.....(:+}}.....

> 73, Jim KH2D

Bob/NA4G

672. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B24A05.41B3@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dan Finn wrote:
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> Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:
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> >....a 3000 ton Bahamas-registered ship
> > used
> > it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.
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> > The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped
> > worldwide at midnight.
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> > The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26
> But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate?
> Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
>
> KR4AJ

You can be sure they will be very quiet and hope it goes away soon and silently....give it a little time, they will be back with the same old tired sonatas, ignoring reality as though they created it...

That's *THREE* CW initiated marine rescues I know of within the past year, while the new marine GMDSS system has had a 100% failure rate--all alarms so far have been false!!! Yeh, Cw is old, obsolete, useless--tell it to the ship's crews.

73, Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!****

673. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <68thii$cn3$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182431
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) <kf2ti@planet.net> wrote:
> SOS distress signal era ends

> LONDON, Jan. 1 (UPI) _ The Morse code distress signal SOS is now
> officially history, but not before a 13,000 ton Bahamas-registered ship
> used
> it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.

> The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped
> worldwide at midnight.

This sounds false. My expectation is that the reporter did not do a very good job of playing the facts, but was grandstanding to the heathen masses for headline appeal. According to what I can find it is February 01, 1999, that the offical use of Morse Code as a mandatory 500KHZ distress requirement will be discontinued, and it will be replaced by the GMDSS (Global Maritime Distress and Safety System). For reference see Title 47 CFR 80 and referenced documents. Apparently Great Britain has ceased watchkeeping at 010001UTC JAN 98. Even after February 01, 1999, Morse is very likely to be used in the backwaters of the world where the Morse system is in place, still, for a few years longer, since it is doubtful the entire world fleet will be converted to the GMDSS, on time, manpower is cheap, and bodies are already there pumping on the brass monkeys. The problem is that the third world fleet (read things like the Bahamas, Cuban, Liberian registry) is way behind schedule getting converted to GMDSS, and as long as they don't pull into port in the US, GB or GMDSS countries, noone probably cares.

Gee, I wish I would have been able heard that call, since I usually keep a 500khz receiver going anytime I am in the shack. That night, I was SKN'ing. I only saw it later on CNN.

Bob/NA4G

674. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884100212.471203846@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182432

Leslie wrote:

> The owner of that ship should be held accountable for not having more
> modern communications capability on board.

My guess is that the ship may well be equipped with Global Marine Distress and Safety System (GMDSS). I'd also guess that the master of the ship probably didn't trust GMDSS.

The basic concept of GMDSS is that Search and Rescue (SAR) authorities ashore as well as in shipping in the immediate vicinity of a ship or person in distress will be rapidly alerted to a distress incident so that they can assist in a co-ordinated search and rescue operation with the minimum delay. The system uses a combination of satelites and radio to send alerts, identify the vessel and it's location, and for voice communications.

Unfortunately, it is plagued with problems, both in reliability and in implementation. So the master of Oak used 500KHz CW as mariners have for generations.

The lack of familiarity with operating the GMDSS equipment is universal. The 99 percent false alarm rate is a strong indication of the truth in that statement. There seem to be some common factors in this problem. Most of the equipment is not at all user friendly. The operating manuals are VERY POOR in their explanations of procedures and the abbreviated operating diagrams were designed by people who already know how to operate the equipment, but have little or no understanding of how a watchstanding Mate would view these explanations. Lack of user friendly equipment and operating manuals which make sense are contributing to the 99 percent false alarm rate. The attitude of the Mates is such that they tend to disregard an alarm until they have time to look at it. There are so many alarms that they lose their meaning.

At a GMDSS Conference held in Plymouth, UK, a British ships Master, Captain Nick Cooper, said the system of automated distress calls using Digital Selective Calling was "almost totally unworkable, impractical and unreliable". He said a combination of false alarms and badly designed equipment was causing dangerous situations on bridges and could lead to collisions or groundings by distracting ship's officers from navigational duties.

Capt Cooper was the most outspoken critic of GMDSS. But most other speakers reported major problems with the system, which is based on now-outdated technology, including a very high incidence of false alarms, slow implementation of the system with many ships unlikely to meet the

February 1999 deadline and only a handful of countries having acted to implement GMDSS effectively.

It would appear to me that any ships owners who rely 100% on this "more modern communications capability" without backing it up with traditional 500KHz SOS capability, should be held accountable for gross negligence to their responsibilities for safety of mariners.

73, de Hans, K0HB
(Who spent 21 years in Naval service)

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

675. Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-06 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884101742.529727490@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182433

Carl Stevenson said this about license fees for US
amateurs:

> I said $100 per year ... not $1000 ... in other words about what
> you'd pay for dinner for two and a couple of drinks at a nice
> restaurant ... if ham radio is not "worth" that to you, you're
> not very dedicated. If you can't afford that, your financial
> situation is such that you ought to be spending your time
> on a second job, or schooling/training to get a better one, rather
> than wasting time and spectrum calling CQ DX or CQ Contest.

I am most surprised to see the above comments from Carl
who I thought was opposed to arbitrary "barriers" to entrance
to the Amateur Radio service.

Most of us got into this service by scrimping and saving from
allowances, after school jobs, or paper routes to get our first
rigs and get on the air. Amateur Radio has historically been the
"nursery" where young people got interested in "things technical"
and went on to adult careers as technicians and engineers.

Now Carl would support a $1,000 (10 years x $100) "entry fee" for
a teenager getting his first license, or a young wage earner trying
to support a new family! (And we haven't even started to talk about
actually assembling a station yet!) Can you imagine ANYONE, even
a reasonably affluent adult, plunking down $1,000 to get a simple
license to engage in an avocation? He calls it equivalent to a nice
dinner for two and a couple of drinks.... for the folks we want to
get interested in this hobby, a "good dinner" is a #2 meal-deal at the
local McDonalds, or the special down at the university cafeteria, not
lobster and chardonnay at the Hilton.

Or maybe just rich kids should become hams?

Sorry Carl, you've lost touch with the meaning of "avocation".

73, de Hans, K0HB

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676. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107235400.SAA08849@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182184

>I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
>advise how, would be grateful.
>
>Regards
>Andrew.

Another chance to help a Criminal Bander make a big noise.

KMB

677. FS:

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: JP <restar@idir.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1ba6$165915a0$5cc1acd1@restar.idir.net>
Source record: 182185
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space

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1.5 to 30 Mhz., output 100 watts PEP
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UHF all mode, 430 to 439.999 Mhz., output 1/10 watts
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Antenna Tuner = $200 (SOLD)
MFJ-986, 1.8 to 30 Mhz., handles up to 3KW
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(Dick Smith) with 4' square antenna array (mobile).
Will consider reasonable offers plus shipping cost if neccessary.
All with owners manuels.
Ask for Joe, WI0X. - 816-483-2037
email = restar@idir.net

This article was posted from <A HREF="http://www.slurp.net/">Slurp Net</A>.
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678. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B4164D.522F@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182186

MailfrmPA wrote:
>
> >I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
> >advise how, would be grateful.

Sure, it's simple. Send me the 830 and I will send you a Radio
Shack something or other that covers the 27 MHZ band.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

679. Re: Question: Repeater control operator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: drt@drt.ne.mediaone.net
Message-ID: <m21zyj3jvu.fsf@drt.ne.mediaone.net>
Source record: 182187

jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) writes:

> I'm considering building my own repeater split site system.
> Question: Can I house the other half of the split site at a NOT yet FCC
> licensed individual's house?
>
> I am the control operator, right? Or do we share that responsibility?

Well, you're the control operator unless you designate someone else to be control operator---the "someone else" must have an FCC license, Tech or higher, meaning: no Novices, no reciprocal permit holders, no Canadians operating under a Canadian license and, in the near future, no CEPT or IARP holders. 97.103(a,b); and see 97.205(a).

More to the point is that you are the station licensee. That means you have to have "physical control" of the station before you can attach your callsign to its transmissions. (97.5---or, perhaps more to the point, the FCC is going to treat any station using your callsign with your permission as under your physical control, meaning you're on the hook.) In addition, as station licensee you promised on your form 610 to make the station inaccessible to unauthorized persons (i.e., persons you do not designate as control operator, and persons you legally can't designate as control operator.) So it would seem you have to put the station in some sort of locked cabinet or something, but that's all: many repeaters are kept in places other people own.

I doubt the "lock police" will come around to check, but the point is that, as station licensee, you are responsible for *whatever* the station does at any time (97.103(a)), no matter who the control operator is, so it's only prudent to lock out people who don't know what they're doing. In addition, only a fool would fail to check to make sure the station was safe to anyone (kids, cats, lovers, friends, etc.) who might come near it, including the RF check now required. (Will your insurance cover this sort of risk---a radio station at someone else's house---if an injury occurs?)

One more duty at station licensee: by 97.103(c) you have to make the station available to FCC representatives upon request. That means you have to be able to get at the station at any time, so you'll need the keys needed to get to it, and your friend's agreement to allow you (any any FCC personnel with you) onto the premises at any time. That agreement---the license to use his place---you might consider putting in writing and running by a lawyer.

Note that I'm not a lawyer and those who want authoritative opinions should consult one.

--
David R. Tucker, K1DRT mailto:k1drt@pobox.com
Boston College Law School PGP Public Key: 0xF3476F39
"I may be wrong, but I'm not Clearly Erroneous." -Judge Hillman

680. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B417DA.4777@icss.net>
Source record: 182188
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
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> Dan Finn wrote:
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> > Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:
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> > > used
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> alarms so far have been false!!! Yeh, Cw is old, obsolete, useless--tell
> it to the ship's crews.
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> 73, Dick W0EX FISTS #3939
>
> Can't get it UP?
> ****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!****

Dick, you did read the reaction of the Coast Guard upon being notified,
right? They thought it was a joke. Why would they think that?
73, Brian

681. Baldy's comments

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107112524.26659H-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182189

Baldy (no callsign?) wrote: "I personally think contesting and paper chasing are a waste of time and spectrum, and should be banned."

That's due to you not understanding the underlying purpose of those activities. Only the most robust amateur stations, efficient in every aspect, and thus well-prepared for any emergency/disaster, can seriously compete in the contests. Each competitive event maximally tests the equipment and operator - both are pushed to their extreme limits. This continual *voluntary* training makes such an operator the ideal emergency communicator when your community is stricken with a disaster.

Jeff KH2PZ/7 (member Oahu Civil Defense Quick Response Team, *and* avid contester)

682. Carl's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107114600.26659J-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182190

Carl wrote something to the effect: "If a ham can't affort a $1000 fee for a ten-year amateur license, then he should go back to school so as to improve his income..." (paraphrasing)

Well Carl, I *could* say something about you calling yourself an engineer, yet you have only a high-school education, but ... nah - I'll keep quiet. (What high school allows you to "major" in engineering? Did the IEEE give you an honorary membership?)

Watch your blood-pressure,
Jeff KH2PZ/7

683. Gary Reuter's FS post

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107115955.26659L-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182191

One wonders... If the ebay auction notices are being cross-posted to r.r.a.misc, does that also mean someone else is cross-posting the .misc articles to ebay?

Jeff KH2PZ/7

684. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34B45E99.2C85@geocities.com>
Source record: 182192

K7RMJ wrote:
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> [major snip]
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> CW is allowed on ALL
> >>the amateur bands from 160 Meters through and including 23 Centimeters.
> >>It is the ONLY mode that is allowed on ALL frequencies. Ever wonder
> >>why?
> >
> >Yet you can operate CW all you want above 50MHz and never
> >have passed a CW test. The mode or allowed use of same is
> >not sufficient reason to mandate testing.
>
> In YOUR opinion.
>
> >Bill Sohl K2UNK
> >ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> >No Code International, member - 1007
> >Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org
> >
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> Bill,
>
> I would think that trying to operate CW above 50MHz without knowing the code
> would be rather difficult. It is not easy to communicate with a language one
> does not understand, wouldn't you agree? I would think this sufficient
> reason to warrant cw testing for all frequencies allowed to amateur radio
> where cw is allowed. I also think it is unreasonable to test abilities in
> only one mode and not the others. (just food for thought)

Well I Have managed to operate a bit in code, using this machine to do
the work
>
> Here is more food for thought... how about mode related operating permits?
> Require amateurs to prove knowledge about digital or any other modes before
> allowing them to operate those modes similar to the old commercial radio
> license endorsements.

That is ceratinly a better idea IMO than the cureent system
>
> IMHO the biggest obstacle the "No-Code" movement has to overcome is the
> attitude, "If I had to learn it, you should have to learn it too because it
> would be unfair to all the hams who already passed the cw test to do away
> with it." Personally, in the future, I will continue to use CW because I
> like it and I sincerely hope many others do the same whether there is a code

> testing requirement or not. In the same breath, I welcome all the "No-Code"
> Hams to the ranks of Amateur Radio.

While I do agree with the above as a barriar, what the Current Code
requirements are esp. for some us (myself who is very Dyslexic) is
amount to a Goverment spornered Hazing Ritual

>
> Regards and 73's
>
> DE K7RMJ Frank dit..dit

685. Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
Message-ID: <34B4845A.7F5F@compuzone.net>
Source record: 182193

Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain the use of more freq. spectrum.
Thanx for your help,
Tim

686. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B455FE.1749@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182194

MailfrmPA wrote:
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> >> >I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
> >> >advise how, would be grateful.
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> >Curtis .. N5HDQ ..
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> Hey putz! Is this slander? The quote you attributed to me was a portion of my
> own reply to the original geek.
>
> scheeeese.............
>
> Kï¿½MB

No, I did not slander you at all, I did not call you a putz did I

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

687. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B45791.40F6@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 182195

DavidC wrote:
>
> Ooops! I thought it was 146.52, hmmm. Did you mean 146.52 or is it really
> 147.52?
>
> Oh well, was going to use the old crystal rig. 73, DavidC AA1FA
>
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
> > I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> > as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> > extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> > no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> > a universal 2m mobile channel.

Old Bill promotes no code. Maybe he's too lazy to do a little reading.
Or too busy bitching about someone needing to spend time practicing
the code.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. RMC, USN, Ret .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

688. Need help w/ prop. software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc7rcy <kc7rcy@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34B4655B.8369E6DE@geocities.com>
Source record: 182196

I have the ITS propagation software (ICECAP, VOACAP), and I've been
playing around with it a bit but I would like some input from someone
familiar with the program. Since the thing is really designed for HF
broadcasters as opposed to hams, I'm not sure what a lot of the default
settings should be for amateur use. I'm interested in useing it to
predict propagation
for QRP work. Also, if there is a better FREE program out there for
amateur use I'd
like to get it.

73
Jim KC7RCY
jdawdy@nmsu.edu
kc7rcy@amsat.org

689. Re: Question: How to broadcast??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B44926.2D29F922@flash.net>
Source record: 182197

Aaron Weiss wrote:

> I recently noticed that if I hooked up a "rabbit-ears" to my VCR, that
> I could broadcast the signal on channel 3 or 4 about a foot to a
> nearby television set. I then put a standard Radio Shack 10db 75-ohm
> coax amplifier (part# 15-1118B) inline before the "rabbit-ears" and
> it increased the range of the signal to about 4 feet.
>
> I know very little about television and radio broadcasting, but I
> would assume that the antenna one uses makes a big difference.

It would, if you had a 1/4 watt or so two yagi antennas could get you a couple miles or so depending on many factors.In the motorola handbook you'll find some hybrid VHF broadband amps I think the cost is around $40 to $60 but that was some time ago. They are very small, about the size of a small box of stick matches. I hooked one up to the output of a very robust RF modulator and pumped it into a yagi one night about 2:00 am, my buddy watched the video on channel 4, it was 100% and he was 6 miles away. We were VERY surprized and terminated our little experiment with extreme prejudice. We estimated the output to be about 350mw or so and he was almost line of site from my qth.

Tim, ka8ddz

690. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B44E28.384157A0@flash.net>
Source record: 182198

> babarum@hotmail.com wrote in message ...
> >>I would appreciate if anyone could tell me what ham radio has to offer
> >that computer/internet doesn't offer.
>
> What ham radio offers is listed in detail below:

a. communication between to people via vhf/uhf within a 10 mile radius using a repeater system.
While you could run internet from your car and a cell phone this would be a very expensive way to communicate.
b.Offers an opportunity to build radio transmitter and reciever circuits and use them on the air on frequencys set aside
just for you!
c. Works even when the phone lines/ power lines are down.
d. No annoying banners when you turn on your ham radio :)
e. Contests, awards, etc. What was the last Internet contest you were in?
f. No monthy user fee's
g. Ability to communicate from remote area's where there is no power available.

The internet and ham radio are two completly different things, why do you have to have one or the other?, together they make a nice pair. There are guys using the internet to link repeaters together, I think the internet will enhance ham radio in the future.

Tim

691. Help with ICOM 726-S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greywolf <softwolf@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <uDsErKAH9GA.360@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 182199

If anyone can help me find an owner's manual and service manual for an ICOM 726-S it would be greatly appreciated. Just baught it, and it needs work. Probably a non-American-market radio.

Willing to pay postage, photocopy costs, etc.

Thanks!,
Scott

692. FS OR TRADE Cushcraft Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Charles Francer <francer@gis.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1bb6$f5b639c0$da80dad0@francer.gis.net>
Source record: 182200
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Hello To All,

I am selling a Cushcraft 10 meter magnet mount antenna (Model CS-28M) in Brand New Condition. I purchased this in anticipation of putting a 10 mtr rig in my truck but the deal fell through. I have used this antenna ONCE.

HRO PRICE: $59.95
****YOUR COST $39.95*** plus shipping

Thank-you for reading my ad.

Charles Francer, N1RPD
francer@gis.net
n1rpd@amsat.org
n1rpd@rocketmail.com

693. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68uvfo$a6d@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182234

armond@delphi.com wrote:

>SCO <sco@mindspring.com> writes:
>
>>The Wild West indians here in the USA once used smoke signals but I
>>doubt there are very many people now who could recognize a SOS smoke
>>signal sent in Cherokee or Black Foot languages. Now the idians would
>>probably use FRS or SSB or FM on 2m or 6m or maybe 20m.
>>W4SCO
>
>That would get you a big fat "F" in debate class. What you tried was
>argument by analogy. The subject was lives being saved by CW. Argu the merits
>of that case not try to "deflect" it with spurious comments about indians.

Well we've had no lives saves because of CW in
amateur radio for decades.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

694. Re: Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68uvmu$a6d@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182235

mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type accepted
>Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal.

Not so. Any ham equipment can be modified in any way you
want...BUT if you transmit illegally, then you break
the law as you correctly note below:

> And using it to communicate with your buddies on
>the FRS is just as illegal as using that FT-101EEEEE(or whatever) you had back
>on 11m and above.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
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695. MOD info for IC706MKII NEEDED

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave <dclausen@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <68v1aj$1v4@mtinsc05.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182236

Hello to all... sorry if this is a tired subject.

Can anyone provide a (the) mod for the 706MKII for either general coverage TX or at least TX at 149 MHZ? I have a transverter for 1.2 GHz that I use for repeaters and the 20MHz offset on that band requires it. I have a 2 diode removal mod (from QRZ) and a 3 diode removal mod. Don't know which one will do what I need. Help appreciated.

73
Dave
W4ATT

696. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34e0e6de.25244159@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182237

armond@delphi.com wrote:

>SCO <sco@mindspring.com> writes:
>
>>The Wild West indians here in the USA once used smoke signals but I
>>doubt there are very many people now who could recognize a SOS smoke
>>signal sent in Cherokee or Black Foot languages. Now the idians would
>>probably use FRS or SSB or FM on 2m or 6m or maybe 20m.
>>W4SCO
>
>That would get you a big fat "F" in debate class. What you tried was
>argument by analogy. The subject was lives being saved by CW. Argu the merits
>of that case not try to "deflect" it with spurious comments about indians.

Both of you earn an "F" and an expulsion from the class, since the CW
debates are off-topic in rram.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

697. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34e1e768.25382840@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182238

Jerry Black <jb@gatewayone.com> wrote:

First of all, learn to include attributions.

>> The
>> ARRL has turned into a bloated, wealthy bureaucracy which seems more
>> intent on perpetuating itself and consolidating its power than it does
>> in representing the best interests of the hobby.
>>
>> Of course, there is no real alternative, so it behooves the rank and
>> file amateur to find some way of kicking them out of their rut and
>> getting them more involved in moving the hobby into the new
>> millennium.
>>
>
>OK, lets say you're right.
>
>Now what's your plan? Lets hear it. And, I belong to the League.

It's right up there in the paragraph above. Get involved. It's the
only game in town, so make it represent YOUR views. Of course, if you
think that the ARRL really has all of your best interests as a ham and
an American citizen at heart and is doing a perfect job of
representing them, then do nothing, as most hams do.

Just don't come whining to me when it's gone, or has been turned into
something you don't even recognize, much less enjoy.

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

698. Re: One thing I have to be thankful for

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b31211.11956845@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182239

On 5 Jan 1998 02:05:50 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>There is one thing I have to be thankful for, in this code/nocode
>>debate. I find that many, probably most, amateurs who enter the hobby
>>via the nocode licences, eventually, in terms of months not years, do
>>get the cw endorsement.
>
>I have noticed that the newly upgrade, cw tested amatuer, is filled with a
>pride of accomplishment and personal satisfaction that the no-code faction must
>find abhorrant! It would be wrong to remove the cw requirement, and thereby
>deprive the deserving of this pleasure!
>
>K�MB
Well, I am a no-code and have not upgraded. However, I would not find
somebodys' pride of accomplishment abhorrant at all. In fact, I find
it something worthy of congratulations and respect.

The point I hope to make, is that not all 'no-coders' are anti-cw; it is just not our cup of tea (at least at the present time). Besides, if it were not for those of us in this license class who would handle the field day barbeque when the 30MHz+ activity slows down and the hf bands are rolling full speed?

Howard KE6MAK

699. Linux AX25 HOWTO (part 1/3)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Terry Dawson <terry@perf.no.itg.telecom.com.au>
Message-ID: <AX25-HOWTO.1-23617.884152284@cc.gatech.edu>
Source record: 182240
Cross-posted to: comp.os.linux.answers,rec.radio.amateur.misc,aus.radio.amateur.digital

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Archive-name: linux/howto/AX25-HOWTO/part1
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*** Linux HOWTO coordinator, Greg Hankins <gregh@sunsite.unc.edu>. Please
*** direct any comments or questions about this HOWTO to the author,
*** Terry Dawson <terry@perf.no.itg.telecom.com.au>.

- --- BEGIN Linux AX25 HOWTO part 1/3 ---

Linux AX25-HOWTO, Amateur Radio.
Terry Dawson, VK2KTJ, terry@perf.no.itg.telstra.com.au
v1.5, 17 October 1997

The Linux Operating System is perhaps the only operating system in the
world that can boast native and standard support for the AX.25 packet
radio protocol utilised by Amateur Radio Operators worldwide. This
document aims to describe how to install and configure this support.

1. Introduction.

This document was originally an appendix to the HAM-HOWTO, but grew
too large to be reasonably managed in that fashion. This document
describes how to install and configure the native AX.25, NetRom and
Rose support for Linux. A few typical configurations are described
that could be used as models to work from.

The Linux implementation of the amateur radio protocols is very
flexible. To people relatively unfamiliar with the Linux operating
system the configuration process may look daunting and complicated. It
will take you a little time to come to understand how the whole thing
fits together. You will find configuration very difficult if you have
not properly prepared yourself by learning about Linux in general. You
cannot expect to switch from some other environment to Linux without
learning about Linux itself.

1.1. Changes from the previous version

Additions:
Joerg Reuters Web Page
"More Information" section
ax25ipd configuration.

Corrections/Updates:
Changed pty's to a safer range to prevent possible conflicts
```

Updated module and ax25-utils versions.

ToDo:
Fix up the SCC section, this is probably wrong.
Expand on the programming section.

1.2. Where to obtain new versions of this document.

The best place to obtain the latest version of this document is from a Linux Documentation Project archive. The Linux Documentation Project runs a Web Server and this document appears there as the AX25-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/AX25-HOWTO.html>. This document is also available in various formats from the sunsite.unc.edu ftp archive <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/docs/howto/>.

You can always contact me, but I pass new versions of the document directly to the LDP HOWTO coordinator, so if it isn't there then chances are I haven't finished it.

1.3. Other related documentation.

There is a lot of related documentation. There are many documents that relate to Linux networking in more general ways and I strongly recommend you also read these as they will assist you in your efforts and provide you with stronger insight into other possible configurations.

They are:

The HAM-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/HAM-HOWTO.html>,

the NET-3-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/NET-3-HOWTO.html>,

the Ethernet-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/Ethernet-HOWTO.html>,

and:

the Firewall-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/Firewall-HOWTO.html>

More general Linux information may be found by reference to other Linux HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/> documents.

2. The Packet Radio Protocols and Linux.

The AX.25 protocol offers both connected and connectionless modes of operation, and is used either by itself for point-point links, or to carry other protocols such as TCP/IP and NetRom.

It is similar to X.25 level 2 in structure, with some extensions to make it more useful in the amateur radio environment.

The NetRom protocol is an attempt at a full network protocol and uses AX.25 at its lowest layer as a datalink protocol. It provides a network layer that is an adapted form of AX.25. The NetRom protocol

features dynamic routing and node aliases.

The Rose protocol was conceived and first implemented by Tom Moulton W2VY and is an implementation of the X.25 packet layer protocol and is designed to operate with AX.25 as its datalink layer protocol. It too provides a network layer. Rose addresses take the form of 10 digit numbers. The first four digits are called the Data Network Identification Code (DNIC) and are taken from Appendix B of the CCITT X.121 recommendation. More information on the Rose protocol may be ontained from the RATS Web server <http://www.rats.org/>.

Alan Cox developed some early kernel based AX.25 software support for Linux. Jonathon Naylor <g4klx@g4klx.demon.co.uk> has taken up ongoing development of the code, has added NetRom and Rose support and is now the developer of the AX.25 related kernel code. DAMA support was developed by Joerg, DL1BKE, jreuter@poboxes.com. Baycom and SoundModem support were added by Thomas Sailer, <sailer@ife.ee.ethz.ch>. The AX.25 utility software is now maintained by me.

The Linux code supports KISS based TNC's (Terminal Node Controllers), the Ottawa PI card, the Gracilis PacketTwin card and other Z8530 SCC based cards with the generic SCC driver and both the Parallel and Serial port Baycom modems. Thomas's new soundmodem driver supports Soundblaster and soundcards based on the Crystal chipset.

The User programs contain a simple PMS (Personal Message System), a beacon facility, a line mode connect program, `listen' an example of how to capture all AX.25 frames at raw interface level and programs to configure the NetRom protocol. Included also are an AX.25 server style program to handle and despatch incoming AX.25 connections and a NetRom daemon which does most of the hard work for NetRom support.

2.1. How it all fits together.

The Linux AX.25 implementation is a brand new implementation. While in many ways it may looks similar to NOS, or BPQ or other AX.25 implementations, it is none of these and is not identical to any of them. The Linux AX.25 implementation is capable of being configured to behave almost identically to other implementations, but the configuration process is very different.

To assist you in understanding how you need to think when configuring this section describes some of the structural features of the AX.25 implementation and how it fits into the context of the overall Linux structure.

Simplified Protocol Layering Diagram

```
-----------------------------------------------
| AF_AX25 | AF_NETROM | AF_INET | AF_ROSE |
|=========|===========|=============|=========|
| | | | |
| | | TCP/IP | |
```

```
| | ---------- | |
| | NetRom | | Rose |
| ------------------------------------
| AX.25 |
-----------------------------------------
```

This diagram simply illustrates that NetRom, Rose and TCP/IP all run directly on top of AX.25, but that each of these protocols is treated as a seperate protocol at the programming interface. The `AF_' names are simply the names given to the `Address Family' of each of these protocols when writing programs to use them. The important thing to note here is the implicit dependence on the configuration of your AX.25 devices before you can configure your NetRom, Rose or TCP/IP devices.

Software module diagram of Linux Network Implementation

```
-------------------------------------------------------------------------
User | Programs | call node || Daemons | ax25d mheardd
| | pms mheard || | inetd netromd
-------------------------------------------------------------------------
| Sockets | open(), close(), listen(), read(), write(), connect()
| |-----------------------------------------------
| | AF_AX25 | AF_NETROM | AF_ROSE | AF_INET
|---------------------------------------------------------------
Kernel | Protocols | AX.25 | NetRom | Rose | IP/TCP/UDP
|---------------------------------------------------------------
| Devices | ax0,ax1 | nr0,nr1 | rose0,rose1 | eth0,ppp0
|---------------------------------------------------------------
| Drivers | Kiss PI2 PacketTwin SCC BPQ | slip ppp
| | Soundmodem Baycom | ethernet
-------------------------------------------------------------------------
Hardware | PI2 Card, PacketTwin Card, SCC card, Serial port, Ethernet Card
-------------------------------------------------------------------------
```

This diagram is a little more general than the first. This diagram attempts to show the relationship between user applications, the ker- nel and the hardware. It also shows the relationship between the Socket application programming interface, the actual protocol modules, the kernel networking devices and the device drivers. Anything in this diagram is dependent on anything underneath it, and in general you must configure from the bottom of the diagram upwards. So for exam- ple, if you want to run the call program you must also configure the Hardware, then ensure that the kernel has the appropriate device driver, that you create the appropriate network device, that the ker- nel includes the desired protocol that presents a programming inter- face that the call program can use. I have attempted to lay out this document in roughly that order.

3. The AX.25/NetRom/Rose software components.

The AX.25 software is comprised of three components, the kernel source, the network configuration tools and the utility programs.

The version 2.0.xx Linux kernels include the AX.25, NetRom, Z8530 SCC, PI card and PacketTwin drivers by default. These have been significantly enhanced in the 2.1.* kernels. Unfortunately, the rest of the 2.1.* kernels makes them fairly unstable at the moment and not a good choice for a production system. To solve this problem Jonathon Naylor has prepared a patch kit which will bring the amateur radio protocol support in a 2.0.28 kernel up to the standard of the 2.1.* kernels. This is very simple to apply, and provides a range of facilities not present in the standard kernel such as Rose support.

3.1. Finding the kernel, tools and utility packages.

3.1.1. The kernel source:

The kernel source can be found in its usual place at: ftp.kernel.org

/pub/linux/kernel/v2.0/linux-2.0.31.tar.gz

The current version of the AX25 upgrade patch is available at: ftp.pspt.fi

/pub/linux/ham/ax25/ax25-module-14e.tar.gz

3.1.2. The network tools:

The latest alpha release of the standard Linux network tools support AX.25 and NetRom and can be found at: ftp.inka.de

/pub/comp/Linux/networking/net-tools/net-tools-1.33.tar.gz

The latest ipfwadm package can be found at: ftp.xos.nl

/pub/linux/ipfwadm/

3.1.3. The AX25 utilities:

There are two different families of AX25-utilities. One is for the 2.0.* kernels and the other will work with either the 2.1.* kernels or the 2.0.*+moduleXX kernels. The ax25-utils version number indicates the oldest version of kernel that they will work with. Please choose a version of the ax25-utils appropriate to your kernel. The following are working combinations. You must use one of the following combinations, any other combination will not work, or will not work well.

```
Linux Kernel AX25 Utility set
---------------------- -------------------------
linux-2.0.29 ax25-utils-2.0.12c.tar.gz **
linux-2.0.28+module12 ax25-utils-2.1.22b.tar.gz **
linux-2.0.30+module14c ax25-utils-2.1.42a.tar.gz
linux-2.0.31+module14d ax25-utils-2.1.42a.tar.gz
linux-2.1.22 ++ ax25-utils-2.1.22b.tar.gz
linux-2.1.42 ++ ax25-utils-2.1.42a.tar.gz
```

Note: the ax25-utils-2.0.* series (marked above with the '**' symbol) is now obsolete and is no longer supported. This document covers configuration using the versions of software recommended above the table. While there are differences between the releases, most of the information will be relevant to earlier releases of code.

The AX.25 utility programs can be found at: ftp.pspt.fi <ftp://ftp.pspt.fi/pub/linux/ham/ax25/>

or at: sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>

4. Installing the AX.25/NetRom/Rose software.

To successfully install AX.25 support on your linux system you must configure and install an appropriate kernel and then install the AX.25 utilities.

4.1. Compiling the kernel.

If you are already familiar with the process of compiling the Linux Kernel then you can skip this section, just be sure to select the appropriate options when compiling the kernel. If you are not, then read on.

The normal place for the kernel source to be unpacked to is the /usr/src directory into a subdirectory called linux. To do this you should be logged in as root and execute a series of commands similar to the following:

```
# mv linux linux.old
# cd /usr/src
# tar xvfz linux-2.0.31.tar.gz
# tar xvfz /pub/net/ax25/ax25-module-14e.tar.gz
# patch -p0 </usr/src/ax25-module-14/ax25-2.0.31-2.1.47-2.diff
# cd linux
```

After you have unpacked the kernel source and applied the upgrade, you need to run the configuration script and choose the options that suit your hardware configuration and the options that you wish built into your kernel. You do this by using the command:

```
# make menuconfig
```

You might also try:

```
# make config
```

I'm going to describe the full screen method (menuconfig) because it is easier to move around, but you use whichever you are most comfortable with.

In either case you will be offered a range of options at which you must answer `Y' or `N'. (Note you may also answer `M' if you are using modules. For the sake of simplicity I will assume you are not, please make appropriate modifications if you are).

```
The options most relevant to an AX.25 configuration are:

Code maturity level options --->
...
[*] Prompt for development and/or incomplete code/drivers
...
General setup --->
...
[*] Networking support
...
Networking options --->
...
[*] TCP/IP networking
[?] IP: forwarding/gatewaying
...
[?] IP: tunneling
...
[?] IP: Allow large windows (not recommended if <16Mb of memory)
...
[*] Amateur Radio AX.25 Level 2
[?] Amateur Radio NET/ROM
[?] Amateur Radio X.25 PLP (Rose)
...
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[?] BAYCOM ser12 and par96 driver for AX.25
[?] Soundcard modem driver for AX.25
[?] Soundmodem support for Soundblaster and compatible cards
[?] Soundmodem support for WSS and Crystal cards
[?] Soundmodem support for 1200 baud AFSK modulation
[?] Soundmodem support for 4800 baud HAPN-1 modulation
[?] Soundmodem support for 9600 baud FSK G3RUH modulation
[?] Serial port KISS driver for AX.25
[?] BPQ Ethernet driver for AX.25
[?] Gracilis PackeTwin support for AX.25
[?] Ottawa PI and PI/2 support for AX.25
[?] Z8530 SCC KISS emulation driver for AX.25
...

The options I have flagged with a `*' are those that you must must
answer `Y' to. The rest are dependent on what hardware you have and
what other options you want to include. Some of these options are
described in more detail later on, so if you don't know what you want
yet, then read ahead and come back to this step later.

After you have completed the kernel configuration you should be able
to cleanly compile your new kernel:

# make dep
# make clean
```

```
# make zImage
```

maake sure you move your arch/i386/boot/zImage file wherever you want it and then edit your /etc/lilo.conf file and rerun lilo to ensure that you actually boot from it.

4.1.1. A word about Kernel modules

I recommend that you don't compile any of the drivers as modules. In nearly all installations you gain nothing but additional complexity. Many people have problems trying to get the modularised components working, not because the software is faulty but because modules are more complicated to install and configure.

If you've chosen to compile any of the components as modules, then you'll also need to use:

```
# make modules
# make modules_install
```

to install your modules in the appropriate location.

You will also need to add some entries into your /etc/conf.modules file that will ensure that the kerneld program knows how to handle the kernel modules. You should add/modify the following:

```
alias net-pf-3 ax25
alias net-pf-6 netrom
alias net-pf-11 rose
alias tty-ldisc-1 slip
alias tty-ldisc-3 ppp
alias tty-ldisc-5 mkiss
alias bc0 baycom
alias nr0 netrom
alias pi0a pi2
alias pt0a pt
alias scc0 optoscc (or one of the other scc drivers)
alias sm0 soundmodem
alias tunl0 newtunnel
alias char-major-4 serial
alias char-major-5 serial
alias char-major-6 lp
```

4.1.2. What's new in 2.0.*+ModuleXX or 2.1.* Kernels ?

The 2.1.* kernels have enhanced versions of nearly all of the protocols and drivers. The most significant of the enhancements are:

modularised
the protocols and drivers have all been modularised so that you can insmod and rmmod them whenever you wish. This reduces the kernel memory requirements for infrequently used modules and makes development and bug hunting much simpler. That being said, it also makes configuration slightly more difficult.

All drivers are now network drivers
all of the network devices such as Baycom, SCC, PI, Packettwin
etc now present a normal network interface, that is they now
look like the ethernet driver does, they no longer look like
KISS TNC's. A new utility called net2kiss allows you to build a
kiss interface to these devices if you wish.
bug fixed
there have been many bug fixes and new features added to the
drivers and protocols. The Rose protocol is one important
addition.

4.2. The network configuration tools.

Now that you have compiled the kernel you should compile the new
network configuration tools. These tools allow you to modify the
configuration of network devices and to add routes to the routing
table.

The new alpha release of the standard net-tools package includes
support for AX.25 and NetRom support. I've tested this and it seems to
work well for me.

4.2.1. A patch kit that adds Rose support and fixes some bugs.

The standard net-tools-1.33.tar.gz package has some small bugs that
affect the AX.25 and NetRom support. I've made a small patch kit that
corrects these and adds Rose support to the tools as well.

You can get the patch from: zone.pspt.fi
<ftp://zone.pspt.fi/pub/linux/ham/ax25/net-
tools-1.33.rose.tjd.diff.gz>.

4.2.2. Building the standard net-tools release.

Don't forget to read the Release file and follow any instructions
there. The steps I used to compile the tools were:

```
# cd /usr/src
# tar xvfz net-tools-1.33.tar.gz
# zcat net-tools-1.33.rose.tjd.diff.gz | patch -p0
# cd net-tools-1.33
# make config
```

At this stage you will be presented with a series of configuration
questions, similar to the kernel configuration questions. Be sure to
include support for all of the protocols and network devices types
that you intend to use. If you do not know how to answer a particular
question then answer `Y'.

When the compilation is complete, you should use the:

```
# make install
```

command to install the programs in their proper place.

If you wish to use the IP firewall facilities then you will need the
latest firewall administration tool ipfwadm. This tool replaces the
older ipfw tool which will not work with new kernels.

I compiled the ipfwadm utility with the following commands:

```
# cd /usr/src
# tar xvfz ipfwadm-2.0beta2.tar.gz
# cd ipfwadm-2.0beta2
# make install
# cp ipfwadm.8 /usr/man/man8
# cp ipfw.4 /usr/man/man4
```

4.3. The AX.25 user and utility programs.

After you have successfully compiled and booted your new kernel, you
need to compile the user programs. To compile and install the user
programs you should use a series of commands similar to the following:

```
# cd /usr/src
# tax xvfz ax25-utils-2.1.42a.tar.gz
# cd ax25-utils-2.1.42a
# make config
# make
# make install
```

The files will be installed under the /usr directory by default in
subdirectories: bin, sbin, etc and man.

If this is a first time installation, that is you've never installed
any ax25 utilities on your machine before you should also use the:

```
# make installconf
```

command to install some sample configuration files into the /etc/ax25/
directory from which to work.

If you get messages something like:

```
gcc -Wall -Wstrict-prototypes -O2 -I../lib -c call.c
call.c: In function `statline':
call.c:268: warning: implicit declaration of function `attron'
call.c:268: `A_REVERSE' undeclared (first use this function)
call.c:268: (Each undeclared identifier is reported only once
call.c:268: for each function it appears in.)
```

then you should double check that you have the ncurses package
properly installed on your system. The configuration script attempts
to locate your ncurses packages in the common locations, but some
installations have ncurses badly installed and it is unable to locate
them.
5. A note on callsigns, addresses and things before we start.

Each AX.25 and NetRom port on your system must have a callsign/ssid
allocated to it. These are configured in the configuration files that

will be described in detail later on.

Some AX.25 implementations such as NOS and BPQ will allow you to configure the same callsign/ssid on each AX.25 and NetRom port. For somewhat complicated technical reasons Linux does not allow this. This isn't as big a problem in practise as it might seem.

This means that there are things you should be aware of and take into consideration when doing your configurations.

1. Each AX.25 and NetRom port must be configured with a unique callsign/ssid.

2. TCP/IP will use the callsign/ssid of the AX.25 port it is being transmitted or received by, ie the one you configured for the AX.25 interface in point 1.

3. NetRom will use the callsign/ssid specified for it in its configuration file, but this callsign is only used when your NetRom is speaking to another NetRom, this is not the callsign/ssid that AX.25 users who wish to use your NetRom `node' will use. More on this later.

4. Rose will, by default, use the callsign/ssid of the AX.25 port, unless the Rose callsign has been specifically set using the `rsparms' command. If you set a callsign/ssid using the `rsparms' command then Rose will use this callsign/ssid on all ports.

5. Other programs, such as the `ax25d' program can listen using any callsign/ssid that they wish and these may be duplicated across different ports.

6. If you are careful with routing you can configure the same IP address on all ports if you wish.

5.1. What are all those T1, T2, N2 and things ?

Not every AX.25 implementation is a TNC2. Linux uses nomenclature that differs in some respects from that you will be used to if your sole experience with packet is a TNC. The following table should help you interpret what each of the configurable items are, so that when you come across them later in this text you'll understand what they mean.

Linux	TAPR TNC	Description
T1	FRACK	How long to wait before retransmitting an unacknowledged frame.
T2	RESPTIME	The minimum amount of time to wait for another frame to be received before transmitting an acknowledgement.
T3	CHECK	The period of time we wait between sending

| | a check that the link is still active.

N2 | RETRY | How many times to retransmit a frame before
| | assuming the connection has failed.

Idle | | The period of time a connection can be idle
| | before we close it down.

Window | MAXFRAME | The maximum number of unacknowledged
| | transmitted frames.

5.2. Run time configurable parameters

The 2.1.* and 2.0.* +moduleXX kernels have a new feature that allows you to change many previously unchangable parameters at run time. If you take a careful look at the /proc/sys/net/ directory structure you will see many files with useful names that describe various parameters for the network configuration. The files in the /proc/sys/net/ax25/ directory each represents one configured AX.25 port. The name of the file relates to the name of the port.

The structure of the files in /proc/sys/net/ax25/<portname>/ is as follows:

FileName Meaning Values Default
ip_default_mode IP Default Mode 0=DG 1=VC 0
ax25_default_mode AX.25 Default Mode 0=Normal 1=Extended 0
backoff_type Backoff 0=Linear 1=Exponential 1
connect_mode Connected Mode 0=No 1=Yes 1
standard_window_size Standard Window 1 <= N <= 7 2
extended_window_size Extended Window 1 <= N <= 63 32
t1_timeout T1 Timeout 1s <= N <= 30s 10s
t2_timeout T2 Timeout 1s <= N <= 20s 3s
t3_timeout T3 Timeout 0s <= N <= 3600s 300s
idle_timeout Idle Timeout 0m <= N 20m
maximum_retry_count N2 1 <= N <= 31 10
maximum_packet_length AX.25 Frame Length 1 <= N <= 512 256

In the table T1, T2 and T3 are given in seconds, and the Idle Timeout is given in minutes. But please note that the values used in the sysctl interface are given in internal units where the time in seconds is multiplied by 10, this allows resolution down to 1/10 of a second. With timers that are allowed to be zero, eg T3 and Idle, a zero value indicates that the timer is disabled.

The structure of the files in /proc/sys/net/netrom/ is as follows:

FileName Values Default
default_path_quality 10
link_fails_count 2
network_ttl_initialiser 16

```
obsolescence_count_initialiser 6
routing_control 1
transport_acknowledge_delay 50
transport_busy_delay 1800
transport_maximum_tries 3
transport_requested_window_size 4
transport_timeout 1200
```

The structure of the files in /proc/sys/net/rose/ is as follows:

```
FileName Values Default
acknowledge_hold_back_timeout 50
call_request_timeout 2000
clear_request_timeout 1800
link_fail_timeout 1200
maximum_virtual_circuits 50
reset_request_timeout 1800
restart_request_timeout 1800
routing_control 1
window_size 3
```

To set a parameter all you need to do is write the desired value to the file itself, for example to check and set the Rose window size you'd use something like:

```
# cat /proc/sys/net/rose/window_size
3
# echo 4 >/proc/sys/net/rose/window_size
# cat /proc/sys/net/rose/window_size
4
```

6. Configuring an AX.25 port.

Each of the AX.25 applications read a particular configuration file to obtain the parameters for the various AX.25 ports configured on your Linux machine. For AX.25 ports the file that is read is the /etc/ax25/axport file. You must have an entry in this file for each AX.25 port you want on your system.

6.1. Creating the AX.25 network device.

The network device is what is listed when you use the `ifconfig' command. This is the object that the Linux kernel sends and receives network data from. Nearly always the network device has a physical port associated with it, but there are occasions where this isn't necessary. The network device does relate directly to a device driver.

In the Linux AX.25 code there are a number of device drivers. The most common is probably the KISS driver, but others are the SCC driver(s), the Baycom driver and the SoundModem driver.
Each of these device drivers will create a network device when it is started.

6.1.1. Creating a KISS device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] Serial port KISS driver for AX.25
```

Probably the most common configuration will be for a KISS TNC on a serial port. You will need to have the TNC preconfigured and connected to your serial port. You can use a communications program like minicom or seyon to configure the TNC into kiss mode.

To create a KISS device you use the kissattach program. In it simplest form you can use the kissattach program as follows:

```
# /usr/sbin/kissattach /dev/ttyS0 radio
# kissparms -p radio -t 100 -s 100 -r 25
```

The kissattach command will create a KISS network device. These devices are called `ax[0-9]'. The first time you use the kissattach command it creates `ax0', the second time it creates `ax1' etc. Each KISS device has an associated serial port.

The kissparms command allows you to set various KISS parameters on a KISS device.

Specifically the example presented would create a KISS network device using the serial device `/dev/ttyS0' and the entry from the /etc/ax25/axports with a port name of `radio'. It then configures it with a txdelay and slottime of 100 milliseconds and a ppersist value of 25.

Please refer to the man pages for more information.

6.1.1.1. Configuring for Dual Port TNC's

The mkiss utility included in the ax25-utils distribution allows you to make use of both modems on a dual port TNC. Configuration is fairly simple. It works by taking a single serial device connected to a single multiport TNC and making it look like a number of devices each connected to a single port TNC. You do this before you do any of the AX.25 configuration. The devices that you then do the AX.25 configuration on are pseudo-TTY interfaces, (/dev/ttyq*), and not the actual serial device. Pseudo-TTY devices create a kind of pipe through which programs designed to talk to tty devices can talk to other programs designed to talk to tty devices. Each pipe has a master and a slave end. The master end is generally called `/dev/ptyq*' and the slave ends are called `/dev/ttyq*'. There is a one to one relationship between masters and slaves, so /dev/ptyq0 is the master end of a pipe with /dev/ttyq0 as its slave. You must open the master end of a pipe

before opening the slave end. mkiss exploits this mechanism to split a single serial device into seperate devices.

Example: if you have a dual port tnc and it is connected to your /dev/ttyS0 serial device at 9600 bps, the command:

```
# /usr/sbin/mkiss -s 9600 /dev/ttyS0 /dev/ptyq0 /dev/ptyq1
# /usr/sbin/kissattach /dev/ttyq0 port1
# /usr/sbin/kissattach /dev/ttyq1 port2
```

would create two pseudo-tty devices that each look like a normal single port TNC. You would then treat /dev/ttyq0 and /dev/ttyq1 just as you would a conventional serial device with TNC connected. This means you'd then use the kissattach command as described above, on each of those, in the example for AX.25 ports called port1 and port2. You shouldn't use kissattach on the actual serial device as the mkiss program uses it.

The mkiss command has a number of optional arguments that you may wish to use. They are summarised as follows:

-c enables the addition of a one byte checksum to each KISS frame. This is not supported by most KISS implementation, it is supported by the G8BPG KISS rom.

-s <speed>
sets the speed of the serial port.

-h enables hardware handshaking on the serial port, it is off by default. Most KISS implementation do not support this, but some do.

-l enables logging of information to the syslog logfile.

6.1.2. Creating a Baycom device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
Code maturity level options --->
[*] Prompt for development and/or incomplete code/drivers
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] BAYCOM ser12 and par96 driver for AX.25
```

Thomas Sailer, <sailer@ife.ee.ethz.ch>, despite the popularly held belief that it would not work very well, has developed Linux support for Baycom modems. His driver supports the Ser12 serial port, Par96 and the enhanced PicPar parallel port modems. Further information about the modems themselves may be obtained from the Baycom Web site <http://www.baycom.de/>.

Your first step should be to determine the i/o and addresses of the serial or parallel port(s) you have Baycom modem(s) connected to. When you have these you must configure the Baycom driver with them.

The BayCom driver creates network devices called: bc0, bc1, bc2 etc. when it is configured.

The sethdlc utility allows you to configure the driver with these parameters, or, if you have only one Baycom modem installed you may specify the parameters on the insmod commmand line when you load the Baycom module.

For example, a simple configuration. Disable the serial driver for COM1: then configure the Baycom driver for a Ser12 serial port modem on COM1: with the software DCD option enabled:

```
# setserial /dev/ttyS0 uart none
# insmod hdlcdrv
# insmod baycom mode="ser12*" iobase=0x3f8 irq=4
```

Par96 parallel port type modem on LPT1: using hardware DCD detection:

```
# insmod hdlcdrv
# insmod baycom mode="par96" iobase=0x378 irq=7 options=0
```

This is not really the preferred way to do it. The sethdlc utility works just as easily with one device as with many.

The sethdlc man page has the full details, but a couple of examples will illustrate the most important aspects of this configuration. The following examples assume you have already loaded the Baycom module using:

```
# insmod hdlcdrv
# insmod baycom
```

or that you compiled the kernel with the driver inbuilt.

Configure the bc0 device driver as a Parallel port Baycom modem on LPT1: with software DCD:

```
# sethdlc -p -i bc0 mode par96 io 0x378 irq 7
```

Configure the bc1 device driver as a Serial port Baycom modem on COM1:

```
# sethdlc -p -i bc1 mode "ser12*" io 0x3f8 irq 4
```

6.1.3. Configuring the AX.25 channel access parameters.

The AX.25 channel access parameters are the equivalent of the KISS ppersist, txdelay and slottime type parameters. Again you use the sethdlc utility for this.

Again the sethdlc man page is the source of the most complete information but another example of two won't hurt:

Configure the bc0 device with TxDelay of 200 mS, SlotTime of 100 mS, PPersist of 40 and half duplex:

```
# sethdlc -i bc0 -a txd 200 slot 100 ppersist 40 half
```

Note that the timing values are in milliseconds.

6.1.3.1. Configuring the Kernel AX.25 to use the BayCom device

The BayCom driver creates standard network devices that the AX.25 Kernel code can use. Configuration is much the same as that for a PI or PacketTwin card.

The first step is to configure the device with an AX.25 callsign. The ifconfig utility may be used to perform this.

```
# /sbin/ifconfig bc0 hw ax25 VK2KTJ-15 up
```

will assign the BayCom device bc0 the AX.25 callsign VK2KTJ-15. Alternatively you can use the axparms command, you'll still need to use the ifconfig command to bring the device up though:

```
# ifconfig bc0 up
# axparms -setcall bc0 vk2ktj-15
```

The next step is to create an entry in the /etc/ax25/axports file as you would for any other device. The entry in the axports file is associated with the network device you've configured by the callsign you configure. The entry in the axports file that has the callsign that you configured the BayCom device with is the one that will be used to refer to it.

You may then treat the new AX.25 device as you would any other. You can configure it for TCP/IP, add it to ax25d and run NetRom or Rose over it as you please.

6.1.4. Creating a SoundModem device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
Code maturity level options --->
[*] Prompt for development and/or incomplete code/drivers
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] Soundcard modem driver for AX.25
[?] Soundmodem support for Soundblaster and compatible cards
[?] Soundmodem support for WSS and Crystal cards
[?] Soundmodem support for 1200 baud AFSK modulation
[?] Soundmodem support for 4800 baud HAPN-1 modulation
[?] Soundmodem support for 9600 baud FSK G3RUH modulation
```

Thomas Sailer has built a new driver for the kernel that allows you to use your soundcard as a modem. Connect your radio directly to your soundcard to play packet! Thomas recommends at least a 486DX2/66 if you want to use this software as all of the digital signal processing is done by the main CPU.

The driver currently emulates 1200 bps AFSK, 4800 HAPN and 9600 FSK (G3RUH compatible) modem types. The only sound cards currently supported are SoundBlaster and WindowsSoundSystem Compatible models. The sound cards require some circuitry to help them drive the Push-To-Talk circuitry, and information on this is available from Thomas's SoundModem PTT circuit web page <http://www.ife.ee.ethz.ch/~sailer/pcf/ptt_circ/ptt.html>. There are quite a few possible options, they are: detect the sound output from the soundcard, or use output from a parallel port, serial port or midi port. Circuit examples for each of these are on Thomas's site.

The SoundModem driver creates network devices called: sm0, sm1, sm2 etc when it is configured.

Note: the SoundModem driver competes for the same resources as the Linux sound driver. So if you wish to use the SoundModem driver you must ensure that the Linux sound driver is not installed. You can of course compile them both as modules and insert and remove them as you wish.

6.1.4.1. Configuring the sound card.

The SoundModem driver does not initialise the sound card. The ax25-utils package includes a utility to do this called `setcrystal' that may be used for SoundCards based on the Crystal chipset. If you have some other card then you will have to use some other software to initialise it. Its syntax is fairly straightforward:

setcrystal [-w wssio] [-s sbio] [-f synthio] [-i irq] [-d dma] [-c dma2]

So, for example, if you wished to configure a soundblaster card at i/o base address 0x388, irq 10 and DMA 1 you would use:
setcrystal -s 0x388 -i 10 -d 1

To configure a WindowSoundSystem card at i/o base address 0x534, irq 5, DMA 3 you would use:

setcrystal -w 0x534 -i 5 -d 3

The [-f synthio] parameter is the set the synthesiser address, and the [-c dma2] parameter is to set the second DMA channel to allow full duplex operation.

6.1.4.2. Configuring the SoundModem driver.

When you have configured the soundcard you need to configure the driver telling it where the sound card is located and what sort of modem you wish it to emulate.

The sethdlc utility allows you to configure the driver with these parameters, or, if you have only one soundcard installed you may specify the parameters on the insmod commmand line when you load the SoundModem module.

For example, a simple configuration, with one SoundBlaster soundcard configured as described above emulating a 1200 bps modem:

```
# insmod hdlcdrv
# insmod soundmodem mode="sbc:afsk1200" iobase=0x220 irq=5 dma=1
```

This is not really the preferred way to do it. The sethdlc utility works just as easily with one device as with many.

The sethdlc man page has the full details, but a couple of examples will illustrate the most important aspects of this configuration. The following examples assume you have already loaded the SoundModem modules using:

```
# insmod hdlcdrv
# insmod soundmodem
```

or that you compiled the kernel with the driver inbuilt.

Configure the driver to support the WindowsSoundSystem card we configured above to emulate a G3RUH 9600 compatible modem as device sm0 using a parallel port at 0x378 to key the Push-To-Talk:

```
# sethdlc -p -i sm0 mode wss:fsk9600 io 0x534 irq 5 dma 3 pario 0x378
```

Configure the driver to support the SoundBlaster card we configured above to emulate a 4800 bps HAPN modem as device sm1 using the serial port located at 0x2f8 to key the Push-To-Talk:

```
# sethdlc -p -i sm1 mode sbc:hapn4800 io 0x388 irq 10 dma 1 serio 0x2f8
```

Configure the driver to support the SoundBlaster card we configured above to emulate a 1200 bps AFSK modem as device sm1 using the serial port located at 0x2f8 to key the Push-To-Talk:

```
# sethdlc -p -i sm1 mode sbc:afsk1200 io 0x388 irq 10 dma 1 serio 0x2f8
```

6.1.4.3. Configuring the AX.25 channel access parameters.

The AX.25 channel access parameters are the equivalent of the KISS ppersist, txdelay and slottime type parameters. You use the sethdlc utility for this as well.

Again the sethdlc man page is the source of the most complete information but another example of two won't hurt:

Configure the sm0 device with TxDelay of 100 mS, SlotTime of 50mS, PPersist of 128 and full duplex:

```
# sethdlc -i sm0 -a txd 100 slot 50 ppersist 128 full
```

Note that the timing values are in milliseconds.

6.1.4.4. Setting the audio levels and tuning the driver.

It is very important that the audio levels be set correctly for any radio based modem to work. This is equally true of the SoundModem. Thomas has developed some utility programs that make this task easier. They are called smdiag and smmixer.

smdiag
provides two types of display, either an oscilloscope type display or an eye pattern type display.

smmixer
allows you to actually adjust the transmit and receive audio levels.

To start the smdiag utility in 'eye' mode for the SoundModem device sm0 you would use:

```
# smdiag -i sm0 -e
```

To start the smmixer utility for the SoundModem device sm0 you would use:

```
# smmixer -i sm0
```

6.1.4.5. Configuring the Kernel AX.25 to use the SoundModem

The SoundModem driver creates standard network devices that the AX.25 Kernel code can use. Configuration is much the same as that for a PI or PacketTwin card.

The first step is to configure the device with an AX.25 callsign. The ifconfig utility may be used to perform this.

```
# /sbin/ifconfig sm0 hw ax25 VK2KTJ-15 up
```

will assign the SoundModem device sm0 the AX.25 callsign VK2KTJ-15. Alternatively you can use the axparms command, but you still need the ifconfig utility to bring the device up:

```
# ifconfig sm0 up
# axparms -setcall sm0 vk2ktj-15
```

The next step is to create an entry in the /etc/ax25/axports file as you would for any other device. The entry in the axports file is associated with the network device you've configured by the callsign you configure. The entry in the axports file that has the callsign that you configured the SoundModem device with is the one that will be used to refer to it.

You may then treat the new AX.25 device as you would any other. You can configure it for TCP/IP, add it to ax25d and run NetRom or Rose over it as you please.

6.1.5. Creating a PI card device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] Ottawa PI and PI/2 support for AX.25
```

The PI card device driver creates devices named `pi[0-9][ab]'. The first PI card detected will be allocated `pi0', the second `pi1' etc. The `a' and `b' refer to the first and second physical interface on the PI card. If you have built your kernel to include the PI card driver, and the card has been properly detected then you can use the following command to configure the network device:

```
# /sbin/ifconfig pi0a hw ax25 VK2KTJ-15 up
```

This command would configure the first port on the first PI card detected with the callsign VK2KTJ-15 and make it active. To use the device all you now need to do is to configure an entry into your /etc/ax25/axports file with a matching callsign/ssid and you will be ready to continue on.

The PI card driver was written by David Perry, <dp@hydra.carleton.edu>

6.1.6. Creating a PacketTwin device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] Gracilis PackeTwin support for AX.25
```

The PacketTwin card device driver creates devices named `pt[0-9][ab]'. The first PacketTwin card detected will be allocated `pt0', the second `pt1' etc. The `a' and `b' refer to the first and second physical interface on the PacketTwin card. If you have built your kernel to include the PacketTwin card driver, and the card has been properly detected then you can use the following command to configure the network device:

```
# /sbin/ifconfig pt0a hw ax25 VK2KTJ-15 up
```

This command would configure the first port on the first PacketTwin card detected with the callsign VK2KTJ-15 and make it active. To use the device all you now need to do is to configure an entry into your /etc/ax25/axports file with a matching callsign/ssid and you will be ready to continue on.

The PacketTwin card driver was written by Craig Small VK2XLZ, <csmall@triode.apana.org.au>.

6.1.7. Creating a generic SCC device.

Kernel Compile Options:

```
General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] Z8530 SCC KISS emulation driver for AX.25
```

Joerg Reuter, DL1BKE, jreuter@poboxes.com has developed generic support for Z8530 SCC based cards. His driver is configurable to support a range of different types of cards and present an interface that looks like a KISS TNC so you can treat it as though it were a KISS TNC.

6.1.7.1. Obtaining and building the configuration tool package.

While the kernel driver is included in the standard kernel distribution, Joerg distributes more recent versions of his driver with the suite of configuration tools that you will need to obtain as well.

You can obtain the configuration tools package from:

Joerg's web page <http://www.rat.de/jr/>

or:

db0bm.automation.fh-aachen.de

/incoming/dl1bke/

or:

insl1.etec.uni-karlsruhe.de

/pub/hamradio/linux/z8530/

or:

ftp.ucsd.edu

/hamradio/packet/tcpip/linux
/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming/

You will find multiple versions, choose the one that best suits the kernel you intend to use:

z8530drv-2.4a.dl1bke.tar.gz 2.0.*
z8530drv-utils-3.0.tar.gz 2.1.6 or greater

The following commands were what I used to compile and install the package for kernel version 2.0.30:

```
# cd /usr/src
# gzip -dc z8530drv-2.4a.dl1bke.tar.gz | tar xvpofz -
# cd z8530drv
# make clean
# make dep
# make module # If you want to build the driver as a module
# make for_kernel # If you want the driver to built into your kernel
# make install
```

After the above is complete you should have three new programs installed in your /sbin directory: gencfg, sccinit and sccstat. It is these programs that you will use to configure the driver for your card.

You will also have a group of new special device files created in your /dev called scc0-scc7. These will be used later and will be the `KISS' devices you will end up using.

If you chose to 'make for_kernel' then you will need to recompile your kernel. To ensure that you include support for the z8530 driver you must be sure to answer `Y' to: `Z8530 SCC kiss emulation driver for AX.25' when asked during a kernel `make config'.

If you chose to 'make module' then the new scc.o will have been installed in the appropriate /lib/modules directory and you do not need to recompile your kernel. Remember to use the insmod command to load the module before your try and configure it.

6.1.7.2. Configuring the driver for your card.

The z8530 SCC driver has been designed to be as flexible as possible so as to support as many different types of cards as possible. With this flexibility has come some cost in configuration.

There is more comprehensive documentation in the package and you should read this if you have any problems. You should particularly look at doc/scc_eng.doc or doc/scc_ger.doc for more detailed information. I've paraphrased the important details, but as a result there is a lot of lower level detail that I have not included.

The main configuration file is read by the sccinit program and is called /etc/z8530drv.conf. This file is broken into two main stages: Configuration of the hardware parameters and channel configuration. After you have configured this file you need only add:

```
# sccinit
```

into the rc file that configures your network and the driver will be initialised according to the contents of the configuration file. You must do this before you attempt to use the driver.

6.1.7.2.1. Configuration of the hardware parameters.

The first section is broken into stanzas, each stanza representing an 8530 chip. Each stanza is a list of keywords with arguments. You may

specify up to four SCC chips in this file by default. The #define MAXSCC 4 in scc.c can be increased if you require support for more.

The allowable keywords and arguments are:

chip
the chip keyword is used to separate stanzas. It will take anything as an argument. The arguments are not used.

data_a
this keyword is used to specify the address of the data port for the z8530 channel `A'. The argument is a hexadecimal number e.g. 0x300

ctrl_a
this keyword is used to specify the address of the control port for the z8530 channel `A'. The arguments is a hexadecimal number e.g. 0x304

data_b
this keyword is used to specify the address of the data port for the z8530 channel `B'. The argument is a hexadecimal number e.g. 0x301

ctrl_b
this keyword is used to specify the address of the control port for the z8530 channel `B'. The arguments is a hexadecimal number e.g. 0x305

irq
this keyword is used to specify the IRQ used by the 8530 SCC described in this stanza. The argument is an integer e.g. 5

pclock
this keyword is used to specify the frequency of the clock at the PCLK pin of the 8530. The argument is an integer frequency in Hz which defaults to 4915200 if the keyword is not supplied.

board
the type of board supporting this 8530 SCC. The argument is a character string. The allowed values are:

PA0HZP
the PA0HZP SCC Card

EAGLE
the Eagle card

PC100
the DRSI PC100 SCC card
PRIMUS
the PRIMUS-PC (DG9BL) card

BAYCOM
BayCom (U)SCC card

escc
this keyword is optional and is used to enable support for the
Extended SCC chips (ESCC) such as the 8580, 85180, or the 85280.
The argument is a character string with allowed values of `yes'
or `no'. The default is `no'.

vector
this keyword is optional and specifies the address of the vector
latch (also known as "intack port") for PA0HZP cards. There can
be only one vector latch for all chips. The default is 0.

special
this keyword is optional and specifies the address of the
special function register on several cards. The default is 0.

option
this keyword is optional and defaults to 0.

Some example configurations for the more popular cards are as follows:

BayCom USCC

```
chip 1
data_a 0x300
ctrl_a 0x304
data_b 0x301
ctrl_b 0x305
irq 5
board BAYCOM
#
# SCC chip 2
#
chip 2
data_a 0x302
ctrl_a 0x306
data_b 0x303
ctrl_b 0x307
board BAYCOM
```

PA0HZP SCC card

```
chip 1
data_a 0x153
data_b 0x151
ctrl_a 0x152
ctrl_b 0x150
irq 9
pclock 4915200
board PA0HZP
vector 0x168
escc no
```

```
#
#
#
chip 2
data_a 0x157
data_b 0x155
ctrl_a 0x156
ctrl_b 0x154
irq 9
pclock 4915200
board PA0HZP
vector 0x168
escc no

DRSI SCC card

chip 1
data_a 0x303
data_b 0x301
ctrl_a 0x302
ctrl_b 0x300
irq 7
pclock 4915200
board DRSI
escc no
```

If you already have a working configuration for your card under NOS, then you can use the gencfg command to convert the PE1CHL NOS driver commands into a form suitable for use in the z8530 driver configuration file.

To use gencfg you simply invoke it with the same parameters as you used for the PE1CHL driver in NET/NOS. For example:

```
# gencfg 2 0x150 4 2 0 1 0x168 9 4915200
```

will generate a skeleton configuration for the OptoSCC card.

6.1.7.3. Channel Configuration

The Channel Configuration section is where you specify all of the other parameters associated with the port you are configuring. Again this section is broken into stanzas. One stanza represents one logical port, and therefore there would be two of these for each one of the hardware parameters stanzas as each 8530 SCC supports two ports.

These keywords and arguments are also written to the /etc/z8530drv.conf file and must appear after the hardware parameters section.

Sequence is very important in this section, but if you stick with the suggested sequence it should work ok. The keywords and arguments are:

device
this keyword must be the first line of a port definition and
specifies the name of the special device file that the rest of
the configuration applies to. e.g. /dev/scc0

speed
this keyword specifies the speed in bits per second of the
interface. The argument is an integer: e.g. 1200

clock
this keyword specifies where the clock for the data will be
sourced. Allowable values are:

dpll
normal halfduplex operation

external
MODEM supplies its own Rx/Tx clock

divider
use fullduplex divider if installed.

mode
this keyword specifies the data coding to be used. Allowable
arguments are: nrzi or nrz

rxbuffers
this keyword specifies the number of receive buffers to allocate
memory for. The argument is an integer, e.g. 8.

txbuffers
this keyword specifies the number of transmit buffers to
allocate memory for. The argument is an integer, e.g. 8.

bufsize
this keyword specifies the size of the receive and transmit
buffers. The arguments is in bytes and represents the total
length of the frame, so it must also take into account the AX.25
headers and not just the length of the data field. This keyword
is optional and default to 384

txdelay
the KISS transmit delay value, the argument is an integer in mS.

persist
the KISS persist value, the argument is an integer.

slot
the KISS slot time value, the argument is an integer in mS.

tail
the KISS transmit tail value, the argument is an integer in mS.

fulldup
the KISS full duplex flag, the argument is an integer. 1==Full
Duplex, 0==Half Duplex.

wait
the KISS wait value, the argument is an integer in mS.

min
the KISS min value, the argument is an integer in S.

maxkey
the KISS maximum keyup time, the argument is an integer in S.

idle
the KISS idle timer value, the argument is an integer in S.

maxdef
the KISS maxdef value, the argument is an integer.

group
the KISS group value, the argument is an integer.

txoff
the KISS txoff value, the argument is an integer in mS.

softdcd
the KISS softdcd value, the argument is an integer.

slip
the KISS slip flag, the argument is an integer.

6.1.7.4. Using the driver.

To use the driver you simply treat the /dev/scc* devices just as you would a serial tty device with a KISS TNC connected to it. For example, to configure Linux Kernel networking to use your SCC card you could use something like:

kissattach -s 4800 /dev/scc0 VK2KTJ

You can also use NOS to attach to it in precisely the same way. From JNOS for example you would use something like:

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21.2. IPIP encapsulated gateway configuration.

Linux is now very commonly used for TCP/IP encapsulated gateways
around the world. The new tunnel driver supports multiple encapsulated
routes and makes the older ipip daemon obsolete.

A typical configuration would look similar to the following.

. . . . . .
--- .
| Network /---------\ . Network
| 154.27.3/24 | | . 44.136.16/24 \ | /
| | Linux | . \|/
| | | . |
| eth0 | IPIP | . /-----\ /----------\ |
---|---------------| |-----| TNC |----| Radio |---/
| 154.27.3.20 | Gateway | . \-----/ \----------/
| | | sl0
| | | 44.136.16.1
| | | .
| | | .
| \_________/ .
--- . . . . . .

The configuration files of interest are:

# /etc/rc.net
# This file is a simple configuration that provides one KISS AX.25
# radio port, one Ethernet device, and utilises the kernel tunnel driver
# to perform the IPIP encapsulation/decapsulation
#
echo "/etc/rc.net"
echo " Configuring:"
#
```

```
echo -n " loopback:"
/sbin/ifconfig lo 127.0.0.1
/sbin/route add 127.0.0.1
echo " done."
#
echo -n " ethernet:"
/sbin/ifconfig eth0 154.27.3.20 netmask 255.255.255.0 \
broadcast 154.27.3.255 up
/sbin/route add 154.27.3.20 eth0
/sbin/route add -net 154.27.3.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 eth0
echo " done."
#
echo -n " AX.25: "
kissattach -i 44.136.16.1 -m 512 /dev/ttyS1 4800
/sbin/ifconfig sl0 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 44.136.16.255
/sbin/route add -host 44.136.16.1 sl0
/sbin/route add -net 44.136.16.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 window 1024 sl0
#
echo -n " tunnel:"
/sbin/ifconfig tunl0 44.136.16.1 mtu 512 up
#
echo done.
#
echo -n "Routing ... "
source /etc/ipip.routes
echo done.
#
# end.
```

and:

```
# /etc/ipip.routes
# This file is generated using the munge script
#
/sbin/route add -net 44.134.8.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 tunl0 gw 134.43.26.1
/sbin/route add -net 44.34.9.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 tunl0 gw 174.84.6.17
/sbin/route add -net 44.13.28.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 tunl0 gw 212.37.126.3
...
...
...
```

/etc/ax25/axports

```
# name callsign speed paclen window description
4800 VK2KTJ-0 4800 256 2 144.800 MHz
```

Some points to note here are:

• The new tunnel driver uses the gw field in the routing table in place of the pointopoint parameter to specify the address of the remote IPIP gateway. This is why it now supports multiple routes per interface.

• You can configure two network devices with the same address. In this example both the sl0 and the tunl0 devices have been configured with the IP address of the radio port. This is done so that the remote gateway sees the correct address from your gateway in encapsulated datagrams sent to it.

• The route commands used to specify the encapsulated routes can be automatically generated by a modified version of the munge script. This is included below. The route commands would then be written to a separate file and read in using the bash source /etc/ipip.routes command (assuming you called the file with the routing commands /etc/ipip.routes) as illustrated. The source file must be in the NOS route command format.

• Note the use of the window argument on the route command. Setting this parameter to an appropriate value improves the performance of your radio link.

The new tunnel-munge script:

```
#!/bin/sh
#
# From: Ron Atkinson <n8fow@hamgate.cc.wayne.edu>
#
# This script is basically the 'munge' script written by Bdale N3EUA
# for the IPIP daemon and is modified by Ron Atkinson N8FOW. It's
# purpose is to convert a KA9Q NOS format gateways route file
# (usually called 'encap.txt') into a Linux routing table format
# for the IP tunnel driver.
#
# Usage: Gateway file on stdin, Linux route format file on stdout.
# eg. tunnel-munge < encap.txt > ampr-routes
#
# NOTE: Before you use this script be sure to check or change the
# following items:
#
# 1) Change the 'Local routes' and 'Misc user routes' sections
# to routes that apply to your own area (remove mine please!)
# 2) On the fgrep line be sure to change the IP address to YOUR
# gateway Internet address. Failure to do so will cause serious
# routing loops.
# 3) The default interface name is 'tunl0'. Make sure this is
# correct for your system.

echo "#"
echo "# IP tunnel route table built by $LOGNAME on `date`"
echo "# by tunnel-munge script v960307."
echo "#"
echo "# Local routes"
echo "route add -net 44.xxx.xxx.xxx netmask 255.mmm.mmm.mmm dev sl0"
echo "#"
echo "# Misc user routes"
```

```
echo "#"
echo "# remote routes"

fgrep encap | grep "^route" | grep -v " XXX.XXX.XXX.XXX" | \
awk '{
split($3, s, "/")
split(s[1], n,".")
if (n[1] == "") n[1]="0"
if (n[2] == "") n[2]="0"
if (n[3] == "") n[3]="0"
if (n[4] == "") n[4]="0"
if (s[2] == "1") mask="128.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "2") mask="192.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "3") mask="224.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "4") mask="240.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "5") mask="248.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "6") mask="252.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "7") mask="254.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "8") mask="255.0.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "9") mask="255.128.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "10") mask="255.192.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "11") mask="255.224.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "12") mask="255.240.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "13") mask="255.248.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "14") mask="255.252.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "15") mask="255.254.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "16") mask="255.255.0.0"
else if (s[2] == "17") mask="255.255.128.0"
else if (s[2] == "18") mask="255.255.192.0"
else if (s[2] == "19") mask="255.255.224.0"
else if (s[2] == "20") mask="255.255.240.0"
else if (s[2] == "21") mask="255.255.248.0"
else if (s[2] == "22") mask="255.255.252.0"
else if (s[2] == "23") mask="255.255.254.0"
else if (s[2] == "24") mask="255.255.255.0"
else if (s[2] == "25") mask="255.255.255.128"
else if (s[2] == "26") mask="255.255.255.192"
else if (s[2] == "27") mask="255.255.255.224"
else if (s[2] == "28") mask="255.255.255.240"
else if (s[2] == "29") mask="255.255.255.248"
else if (s[2] == "30") mask="255.255.255.252"
else if (s[2] == "31") mask="255.255.255.254"
else mask="255.255.255.255"

if (mask == "255.255.255.255")
printf "route add -host %s.%s.%s.%s gw %s dev tunl0\n"\
,n[1],n[2],n[3],n[4],$5
else
printf "route add -net %s.%s.%s.%s gw %s netmask %s dev tunl0\n"\
,n[1],n[2],n[3],n[4],$5,mask
}'
```

```
echo "#"
echo "# default the rest of amprnet via mirrorshades.ucsd.edu"
echo "route add -net 44.0.0.0 gw 128.54.16.18 netmask 255.0.0.0 dev tunl0"
echo "#"
echo "# the end"
```

21.3. AXIP encapsulated gateway configuration

Many Amateur Radio Internet gateways encapsulate AX.25, NetRom and Rose in addition to tcp/ip. Encapsulation of AX.25 frames within IP datagrams is described in RFC-1226 by Brian Kantor. Mike Westerhof wrote an implementation of an AX.25 encapsulation daemon for unix in 1991. The ax25-utils package includes a marginally enhanced version of it for Linux.

An AXIP encapsulation program accepts AX.25 frames at one end, looks at the destination AX.25 address to determine what IP address to send them to, encapsulates them in a tcp/ip datagram and then transmits them to the appropriate remote destination. It also accepts tcp/ip datagrams that contain AX.25 frames, unwraps them and processes them as if it had received them directly from an AX.25 port. To distinguish IP datagrams containing AX.25 frames from other IP datagrams which don't, AXIP datagrams are coded with a protocol id of 4 (or 94 which is now deprecated). This process is described in RFC-1226.

The ax25ipd program included in the ax25-utils package presents itself as a program supporting a KISS interface across which you pass AX.25 frames, and an interface into the tcp/ip protocols. It is configured with a single configuration file called /etc/ax25/ax25ipd.conf.

21.3.1. AXIP configuration options.

The ax25ipd program has two major modes of operation. "digipeater" mode and "tnc" mode. In "tnc" mode the daemon is treated as though it were a kiss TNC, you pass KISS encapsulated frames to it and it will transmit them, this is the usual configuration. In "digipeater" mode, you treat the daemon as though it were an AX.25 digipeater. There are subtle differences between these modes.

In the configuration file you configure "routes" or mappings between destination AX.25 callsigns and the IP addresses of the hosts that you want to send the AX.25 packets too. Each route has options which will be explained later.
Other options that are configured here are

the tty that the ax25ipd daemon will open and its speed (usually one end of a pipe)

what callsign you want to use in "digipeater" mode

beacon interval and text

whether you want to encapsulate the AX.25 frames in IP datagrams or in UDP/IP datagrams. Nearly all AXIP gateways use IP encapsulation, but some gateways are behind firewalls that will not allow IP with the

AXIP protocol id to pass and are forced to use UDP/IP. Whatever you choose must match what the tcp/ip host at the other end of the link is using.

21.3.2. A typical /etc/ax25/ax25ipd.conf file.

```
#
# ax25ipd configuration file for station floyd.vk5xxx.ampr.org
#
# Select axip transport. 'ip' is what you want for compatibility
# with most other gateways.
#
socket ip
#
# Set ax25ipd mode of operation. (digi or tnc)
#
mode tnc
#
# If you selected digi, you must define a callsign. If you selected
# tnc mode, the callsign is currently optional, but this may change
# in the future! (2 calls if using dual port kiss)
#
#mycall vk5xxx-4
#mycall2 vk5xxx-5
#
# In digi mode, you may use an alias. (2 for dual port)
#
#myalias svwdns
#myalias2 svwdn2
#
# Send an ident every 540 seconds ...
#
#beacon after 540
#btext ax25ip -- tncmode rob/vk5xxx -- Experimental AXIP gateway
#
# Serial port, or pipe connected to a kissattach in my case
#
device /dev/ttyq0
#
# Set the device speed
#
speed 9600
#
# loglevel 0 - no output
# loglevel 1 - config info only
# loglevel 2 - major events and errors
# loglevel 3 - major events, errors, and AX25 frame trace
# loglevel 4 - all events
# log 0 for the moment, syslog not working yet ...
#
loglevel 2
```

```
#
# If we are in digi mode, we might have a real tnc here, so use param to
# set the tnc parameters ...
#
#param 1 20
#
# Broadcast Address definition. Any of the addresses listed will be forwarded
# to any of the routes flagged as broadcast capable routes.
#
broadcast QST-0 NODES-0
#
# ax.25 route definition, define as many as you need.
# format is route (call/wildcard) (ip host at destination)
# ssid of 0 routes all ssid's
#
# route <destcall> <destaddr> [flags]
#
# Valid flags are:
# b - allow broadcasts to be transmitted via this route
# d - this route is the default route
#
route vk2sut-0 44.136.8.68 b
route vk5xxx 44.136.188.221 b
route vk2abc 44.1.1.1
#
#
```

21.3.3. Running ax25ipd

Create your /etc/ax25/axports entry:

```
# /etc/ax25/axports
#
axip VK2KTJ-13 9600 256 AXIP port
#
```

Run the kissattach command to create that port:

```
/usr/sbin/kissattach /dev/ptyq0 axip
```

Run the ax25ipd program:

```
/usr/sbin/ax25ipd &
```

Test the AXIP link:

```
call axip vk5xxx
```

21.3.4. Some notes about the routes and route flags

The "route" command is where you specify where you want your AX.25 packets encapsulated and sent to. When the ax25ipd daemon receives a packet from its interface, it compares the destination callsign with each of the callsigns in its routing table. If if finds a match then

the ax.25 packet is encapsulated in an IP datagram and then transmitted to the host at the specified IP address.

There are two flags you can add to any of the route commands in the ax25ipd.conf file. The two flags are:

b traffic with a destination address matching any of those on the list defined by the "broadcast" keyword should be transmitted via this route.

d any packets not matching any route should be transmitted via this route.

The broadcast flag is very useful, as it enables informations that is normally destined for all stations to a number of AXIP destinations. Normally axip routes are point-to-point and unable to handle 'broadcast' packets.

21.4. Linking NOS and Linux using a pipe device

Many people like to run some version of NOS under Linux because it has all of the features and facilities they are used to. Most of those people would also like to have the NOS running on their machine capable of talking to the Linux kernel so that they can offer some of the linux capabilities to radio users via NOS.

Brandon S. Allbery, KF8NH, contributed the following information to explain how to interconnect the NOS running on a Linux machine with the kernel code using the Linux pipe device.

Since both Linux and NOS support the slip protocol it is possible to link the two together by creating a slip link. You could do this by using two serial ports with a loopback cable between them, but this would be slow and costly. Linux provides a feature that many other Unix-like operating systems provide called `pipes'. These are special pseudo devices that look like a standard tty device to software but in fact loopback to another pipe device. To use these pipes the first program must open the master end of the pipe, and the open then the second program can open the slave end of the pipe. When both ends are open the programs can communicate with each other simply by writing characters to the pipes in the way they would if they were terminal devices.

To use this feature to connect the Linux Kernel and a copy of NOS, or some other program you first must choose a pipe device to use. You can find one by looking in your /dev directory. The master end of the pipes are named: ptyq[1-f] and the slave end of the pipes are known as: ttyq[1-f]. Remember they come in pairs, so if you select /dev/ptyqf as your master end then you must use /dev/ttyqf as the slave end.

Once you have chosen a pipe device pair to use you should allocate the master end to you linux kernel and the slave end to the NOS program,

as the Linux kernel starts first and the master end of the pipe must
be opened first. You must also remember that your Linux kernel must
have a different IP address to your NOS, so you will need to allocate
a unique address for it if you haven't already.

You configure the pipe just as if it were a serial device, so to
create the slip link from your linux kernel you can use commands
similar to the following:

```
# /sbin/slattach -s 38400 -p slip /dev/ptyqf &
# /sbin/ifconfig sl0 broadcast 44.255.255.255 pointopoint 44.70.248.67 /
mtu 1536 44.70.4.88
# /sbin/route add 44.70.248.67 sl0
# /sbin/route add -net 44.0.0.0 netmask 255.0.0.0 gw 44.70.248.67
```

In this example the Linux kernel has been given IP address 44.70.4.88
and the NOS program is using IP address 44.70.248.67. The route
command in the last line simply tells your linux kernel to route all
datagrams for the amprnet via the slip link created by the slattach
command. Normally you would put these commands into your
/etc/rc.d/rc.inet2 file after all your other network configuration is
complete so that the slip link is created automatically when you
reboot. Note: there is no advantage in using cslip instead of slip as
it actually reduces performance because the link is only a virtual one
and occurs fast enough that having to compress the headers first takes
longer than transmitting the uncompressed datagram.

To configure the NOS end of the link you could try the following:

```
# you can call the interface anything you want; I use "linux" for convenience.
attach asy ttyqf - slip linux 1024 1024 38400
route addprivate 44.70.4.88 linux
```

These commands will create a slip port named `linux' via the slave end
of the pipe device pair to your linux kernel, and a route to it to
make it work. When you have started NOS you should be able to ping and
telnet to your NOS from your Linux machine and vice versa. If not,
double check that you have made no mistakes especially that you have
the addresses configured properly and have the pipe devices around the
right way.

22. Where do I find more information about .... ?

Since this document assumes you already have some experience with
packet radio and that this might not be the case I've collected a set
of references to other information that you might find useful.

22.1. Packet Radio

You can get general information about Packet Radio from these sites:

American Radio Relay League <http://www.arrl.org/>,

Radio Amateur Teleprinter Society <http://www.rats.org/>

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio Group <http://www.tapr.org/>

22.2. Protocol Documentation

AX.25, NetRom - Jonathon Naylor has collated a variety of documents that relate to the packet radio protocols themselves. This documentation has been packaged up into ax25-doc-1.0.tar.gz <ftp://ftp.pspt.fi/pub/ham/linux/ax25/ax25-doc-1.0.tar.gz>

22.3. Hardware Documentation

Information on the PI2 Card is provided by the Ottawa Packet Radio Group <http://hydra.carleton.ca/>.

Information on Baycom hardware is available at the Baycom Web Page <http://www.baycom.de/>.

23. Discussion relating to Amateur Radio and Linux.

There are various places that discussion relating to Amateur Radio and Linux take place. They take place in the comp.os.linux.* newsgroups, they also take place on the HAMS list on vger.rutgers.edu. Other places where they are held include the tcp-group mailing list at ucsd.edu (the home of amateur radio TCP/IP discussions), and you might also try the #linpeople channel on the linuxnet irc network.

To join the Linux linux-hams channel on the mail list server, send mail to:

Majordomo@vger.rutgers.edu

with the line:

subscribe linux-hams

in the message body. The subject line is ignored.

The linux-hams mailing list is archived at:

zone.pspt.fi <http://zone.pspt.fi/archive/linux-hams/> and zone.oh7rba.ampr.org <http://zone.oh7rba.ampr.org/archive/linux-hams/>. Please use the archives when you are first starting, because many common questions are answered there.

To join the tcp-group send mail to:

listserver@ucsd.edu

with the line:

subscribe tcp-group

in the body of the text.

Note: Please remember that the tcp-group is primarily for discussion of the use of advanced protocols, of which TCP/IP is one, in Amateur Radio. Linux specific questions should not ordinarily go there.

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attach asy scc0 0 ax25 scc0 256 256 4800

6.1.7.5. The sccstat and sccparam tools.

To assist in the diagnosis of problems you can use the sccstat program
to display the current configuration of an SCC device. To use it try:

# sccstat /dev/scc0

you will displayed a very large amount of information relating to the
configuration and health of the /dev/scc0 SCC port.
The sccparam command allows you to change or modify a configuration
after you have booted. Its syntax is very similar to the NOS param
command, so to set the txtail setting of a device to 100mS you would
use:

# sccparam /dev/scc0 txtail 0x8

6.1.8. Creating a BPQ ethernet device.

Kernel Compile Options:

General setup --->
[*] Networking support
Network device support --->
[*] Network device support
...
[*] Radio network interfaces
[*] BPQ Ethernet driver for AX.25

Linux supports BPQ Ethernet compatibility. This enables you to run the
AX.25 protocol over your Ethernet LAN and to interwork your linux
machine with other BPQ machines on the LAN.

The BPQ network devices are named `bpq[0-9]'. The `bpq0' device is
associated with the `eth0' device, the `bpq1' device with the `eth1'
```

device etc.

Configuration is quite straightforward. You firstly must have
configured a standard Ethernet device. This means you will have
compiled your kernel to support your Ethernet card and tested that
this works. Refer to the Ethernet-HOWTO <Ethernet-HOWTO.html> for more
information on how to do this.

To configure the BPQ support you need to configure the Ethernet device
with an AX.25 callsign. The following command will do this for you:

/sbin/ifconfig bpq0 hw ax25 vk2ktj-14 up

Again, remember that the callsign you specify should match the entry
in the /etc/ax25/axports file that you wish to use for this port.

6.1.9. Configuring the BPQ Node to talk to the Linux AX.25 support.

BPQ Ethernet normally uses a multicast address. The Linux
implementation does not, and instead it uses the normal Ethernet
broadcast address. The NET.CFG file for the BPQ ODI driver should
therefore be modifified to look similar to this:

LINK SUPPORT

MAX STACKS 1
MAX BOARDS 1

LINK DRIVER E2000 ; or other MLID to suit your card

INT 10 ;
PORT 300 ; to suit your card

FRAME ETHERNET_II

PROTOCOL BPQ 8FF ETHERNET_II ; required for BPQ - can change PID

BPQPARAMS ; optional - only needed if you want
; to override the default target addr

ETH_ADDR FF:FF:FF:FF:FF:FF ; Target address

6.2. Creating the /etc/ax25/axports file.

The /etc/ax25/axports is a simple text file that you create with a
text editor. The format of the /etc/ax25/axports file is as follows:

portname callsign baudrate paclen window description

where:

portname
is a text name that you will refer to the port by.

callsign
is the AX.25 callsign you want to assign to the port.

baudrate
is the speed at which you wish the port to communicate with your
TNC.

paclen
is the maximum packet length you want to configure the port to
use for AX.25 connected mode connections.

window
is the AX.25 window (K) parameter. This is the same as the
MAXFRAME setting of many tnc's.

description
is a textual description of the port.

In my case, mine looks like:

radio VK2KTJ-15 4800 256 2 4800bps 144.800 MHz
ether VK2KTJ-14 10000000 256 2 BPQ/ethernet device

Remember, you must assign unique callsign/ssid to each AX.25 port you
create. Create one entry for each AX.25 device you want to use, this
includes KISS, Baycom, SCC, PI, PT and SoundModem ports. Each entry
here will describe exactly one AX.25 network device. The entries in
this file are associated with the network devices by the
callsign/ssid. This is at least one good reason for requiring unique
callsign/ssid.

6.3. Configuring AX.25 routing.

You may wish to configure default digipeaters paths for specific
hosts. This is useful for both normal AX.25 connections and also IP
based connections. The axparms command enables you to do this. Again,
the man page offers a complete description, but a simple example might
be:

/usr/sbin/axparms -route add radio VK2XLZ VK2SUT

This command would set a digipeater entry for VK2XLZ via VK2SUT on the
AX.25 port named radio.

7. Configuring an AX.25 interface for TCP/IP.

It is very simple to configure an AX.25 port to carry TCP/IP. If you
have KISS interfaces then there are two methods for configuring an IP
address. The kissattach command has an option that allows you to do
specify an IP address. The more conventional method using the ifconfig
command will work on all interface types.

So, modifying the previous KISS example:

/usr/sbin/kissattach -i 44.136.8.5 -m 512 /dev/ttyS0 radio
/sbin/route add -net 44.136.8.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 ax0
/sbin/route add default ax0

to create the AX.25 interface with an IP address of 44.136.8.5 and an MTU of 512 bytes. You should still use the ifconfig to configure the other parameters if necessary.

If you have any other interface type then you use the ifconfig program to configure the ip address and netmask details for the port and add a route via the port, just as you would for any other TCP/IP interface. The following example is for a PI card device, but would work equally well for any other AX.25 network device:

```
# /sbin/ifconfig pi0a 44.136.8.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 up
# /sbin/ifconfig pi0a broadcast 44.136.8.255 mtu 512
# /sbin/route add -net 44.136.8.0 netmask 255.255.255.0 pi0a
# /sbin/route add default pi0a
```

The commands listed above are typical of the sort of configuration many of you would be familiar with if you have used NOS or any of its derivatives or any other TCP/IP software. Note that the default route might not be required in your configuration if you have some other network device configured.

To test it out, try a ping or a telnet to a local host.

```
# ping -i 5 44.136.8.58
```

Note the use of the `-i 5' arguments to ping to tell it to send pings every 5 seconds instead of its default of 1 second.

8. Configuring a NetRom port.

The NetRom protocol relies on, and uses the AX.25 ports you have created. The NetRom protocol rides on top of the AX.25 protocol. To configure NetRom on an AX.25 interface you must configure two files. One file describes the Netrom interfaces, and the other file describes which of the AX.25 ports will carry NetRom. You can configure multiple NetRom ports, each with its own callsign and alias, the same procedure applies for each.

8.1. Configuring /etc/ax25/nrports

The first is the /etc/ax25/nrports file. This file describes the NetRom ports in much the same way as the /etc/ax25/axports file describes the AX.25 ports. Each NetRom device you wish to create must have an entry in the /etc/ax25/nrports file. Normally a Linux machine would have only one NetRom device configured that would use a number of the AX.25 ports defined. In some situations you might wish a special service such as a BBS to have a seperate NetRom alias and so you would create more than one.

This file is formatted as follows:

```
name callsign alias paclen description
```

Where:

name
is the text name that you wish to refer to the port by.

callsign
is the callsign that the NetRom traffic from this port will use. Note, this is not that address that users should connect to to get access to a node style interface. (The node program is covered later). This callsign/ssid should be unique and should not appear elsewhere in either of the /etc/ax25/axports or the /etc/ax25/nrports files.

alias
is the NetRom alias this port will have assigned to it.

paclen
is the maximum size of NetRom frames transmitted by this port.

description
is a free text description of the port.

An example would look something like the following:

netrom VK2KTJ-9 LINUX 236 Linux Switch Port

This example creates a NetRom port known to the rest of the NetRom network as `LINUX:VK2KTJ-9'.

This file is used by programs such as the call program.

8.2. Configuring /etc/ax25/nrbroadcast

The second file is the /etc/ax25/nrbroadcast file. This file may contain a number of entries. There would normally be one entry for each AX.25 port that you wish to allow NetRom traffic on.

This file is formatted as follows:

axport min_obs def_qual worst_qual verbose

Where:

axport
is the port name obtained from the /etc/ax25/axports file. If you do not have an entry in /etc/ax25/nrbroadcasts for a port then this means that no NetRom routing will occur and any received NetRom broadcasts will be ignored for that port.

min_obs
is the minimum obselesence value for the port.

def_qual
is the default quality for the port.

worst_qual
is the worst quality value for the port, any routes under this quality will be ignored.

verbose
is a flag determining whether full NetRom routing broadcasts
will occur from this port or only a routing broadcast
advertising the node itself.

An example would look something like the following:

radio 1 200 100 1

8.3. Creating the NetRom Network device

When you have the two configuration files completed you must create the NetRom device in much the same way as you did for the AX.25 devices. This time you use the nrattach command. The nrattach works in just the same way as the axattach command except that it creates NetRom network devices called `nr[0-9]'. Again, the first time you use the nrattach command it creates the `nr0' device, the second time it creates the `nr1' network devices etc. To create the network device for the NetRom port we've defined we would use:

nrattach netrom

This command would start the NetRom device (nr0) named netrom configured with the details specified in the /etc/ax25/nrports file.

8.4. Starting the NetRom daemon

The Linux kernel does all of the NetRom protocol and switching, but does not manage some functions. The NetRom daemon manages the NetRom routing tables and generates the NetRom routing broadcasts. You start NetRom daemon with the command:

/usr/sbin/netromd -i

You should soon see the /proc/net/nr_neigh file filling up with information about your NetRom neighbours.

Remember to put the /usr/sbin/netromd command in your rc files so that it is started automatically each time you reboot.

8.5. Configuring NetRom routing.

You may wish to configure static NetRom routes for specific hosts. The nrparms command enables you to do this. Again, the man page offers a complete description, but a simple example might be:

/usr/sbin/nrparms -nodes VK2XLZ-10 + #MINTO 120 5 radio VK2SUT-9

This command would set a NetRom route to #MINTO:VK2XLZ-10 via a neighbour VK2SUT-9 on my AX.25 port called `radio'.

You can manually create entries for new neighbours using the nrparms command as well. For example:

/usr/sbin/nrparms -routes radio VK2SUT-9 + 120

This command would create VK2SUT-9 as a NetRom neighbour with a quality of 120 and this will be locked and will not be deleted automatically.

9. Configuring a NetRom interface for TCP/IP.

Configuring a NetRom interface for TCP/IP is almost identical to configuring an AX.25 interface for TCP/IP.

Again you can either specify the ip address and mtu on the nrattach command line, or use the ifconfig and route commands, but you need to manually add arp entries for hosts you wish to route to because there is no mechanism available for your machine to learn what NetRom address it should use to reach a particular IP host.

So, to create an nr0 device with an IP address of 44.136.8.5, an mtu of 512 and configured with the details from the /etc/ax25/nrports file for a NetRom port named netrom you would use:

```
# /usr/sbin/nrattach -i 44.136.8.5 -m 512 netrom
# route add 44.136.8.5 nr0
```

or you could use something like the following commands manually:

```
# /usr/sbin/nrattach netrom
# ifconfig nr0 44.136.8.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 hw netrom VK2KTJ-9
# route add 44.136.8.5 nr0
```

Then for each IP host you wish to reach via NetRom you need to set route and arp entries. To reach a destination host with an IP address of 44.136.80.4 at NetRom address BBS:VK3BBS via a NetRom neighbour with callsign VK2SUT-0 you would use commands as follows:

```
# route add 44.136.80.4 nr0
# arp -t netrom -s 44.136.80.4 vk2sut-0
# nrparms -nodes vk3bbs + BBS 120 6 sl0 vk2sut-0
```

The `120' and `6' arguments to the nrparms command are the NetRom quality and obsolescence count values for the route.

10. Configuring a Rose port.

The Rose packet layer protocol is similar to layer three of the X.25 specification. The kernel based Rose support is a modified version of the FPAC Rose implementation <http://fpac.lmi.ecp.fr/f1oat/f1oat.html>.

The Rose packet layer protocol protocol relies on, and uses the AX.25 ports you have created. The Rose protocol rides on top of the AX.25 protocol. To configure Rose you must create a configuration file that describes the Rose ports you want. You can create multiple Rose ports if you wish, the same procedure applies for each.

10.1. Configuring /etc/ax25/rsports

The file where you configure your Rose interfaces is the
/etc/ax25/rsports file. This file describes the Rose port in much the
same way as the /etc/ax25/axports file describes the AX.25 ports.

This file is formatted as follows:

name addresss description

Where:

name
is the text name that you wish to refer to the port by.

address
is the 10 digit Rose address you wish to assign to this port.

description
is a free text description of the port.

An example would look something like the following:

rose 5050294760 Rose Port

Note that Rose will use the default callsign/ssid configured on each
AX.25 port unless you specify otherwise.

To configure a seperate callsign/ssid for Rose to use on each port you
use the rsparms command as follows:

/usr/sbin/rsprams -call VK2KTJ-10

This example would make Linux listen for and use the callsign/ssid
VK2KTJ-10 on all of the configured AX.25 ports for Rose calls.

10.2. Creating the Rose Network device.

When you have created the /etc/ax25/rsports file you may create the
Rose device in much the same way as you did for the AX.25 devices.
This time you use the rsattach command. The rsattach command creates
network devices named `rose[0-5]'. The first time you use the rsattach
command it create the `rose0' device, the second time it creates the
`rose1' device etc. For example:

rsattach rose

This command would start the Rose device (rose0) configured with the
details specified in the /etc/ax25/rsports file for the entry named
`rose'.

10.3. Configuring Rose Routing

The Rose protocol currently supports only static routing. The rsparms
utility allows you to configure your Rose routing table under Linux.

For example:

rsparms -nodes add 5050295502 radio vk2xlz

would add a route to Rose node 5050295502 via an AX.25 port named `radio' in your /etc/ax25/axports file to a neighbour with the call-sign VK2XLZ.

You may specify a route with a mask to capture a number of Rose destinations into a single routing entry. The syntax looks like:

```
# rsparms -nodes add 5050295502/4 radio vk2xlz
```

which would be identical to the previous example except that it would match any destination address that matched the first four digits supplied, in this case any address commencing with the digits 5050. An alternate form for this command is:

```
# rsparms -nodes add 5050/4 radio vk2xlz
```

which is probably the less ambiguous form.

11. Making AX.25/NetRom/Rose calls.

Now that you have all of your AX.25, NetRom and Rose interfaces configured and active, you should be able to make test calls.

The AX25 Utilities package includes a program called `call' which is a splitscreen terminal program for AX.25, NetRom and Rose.

A simple AX.25 call would look like:

```
/usr/bin/call radio VK2DAY via VK2SUT
```

A simple NetRom call to a node with an alias of SUNBBS would look like:

```
/usr/bin/call netrom SUNBBS
```

A simple Rose call to HEARD at node 5050882960 would look like:

```
/usr/bin/call rose HEARD 5050882960
```

Note: you must tell call which port you wish to make the call on, as the same destination node might be reachable on any of the ports you have configured.

The call program is a linemode terminal program for making AX.25 calls. It recognises lines that start with `~' as command lines. The `~.' command will close the connection.

Please refer to the man page in /usr/man for more information.

12. Configuring Linux to accept Packet connections.

Linux is a powerful operating system and offers a great deal of flexibility in how it is configured. With this flexibility comes a cost in configuring it to do what you want. When configuring your Linux machine to accept incoming AX.25, NetRom or Rose connections there are a number of questions you need to ask yourself. The most important of which is: "What do I want users to see when they

connect?". People are developing neat little applications that may be used to provide services to callers, a simple example is the pms program included in the AX25 utilities, a more complex example is the node program also included in the AX25 utilities. Alternatively you might want to give users a login prompt so that they can make use of a shell account, or you might even have written your own program, such as a customised database or a game, that you want people to connect to. Whatever you choose, you must tell the AX.25 software about this so that it knows what software to run when it accepts an incoming AX.25 connection.

The ax25d program is similar to the inetd program commonly used to accept incoming TCP/IP connections on unix machines. It sits and listens for incoming connections, when it detects one it goes away and checks a configuration file to determine what program to run and connect to that connection. Since this the standard tool for accepting incoming AX.25, NetRom and Rose connections I'll describe how to configure it.

12.1. Creating the /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file.

This file is the configuration file for the ax25d AX.25 daemon which handles incoming AX.25, NetRom and Rose connections.

The file is a little cryptic looking at first, but you'll soon discover it is very simple in practice, with a small trap for you to be wary of.

The general format of the ax25d.conf file is as follows:

```
# This is a comment and is ignored by the ax25d program.
[port_name] || <port_name> || {port_name}
<peer1> window T1 T2 T3 idle N2 <mode> <uid> <cmd> <cmd-name> <arguments>
<peer2> window T1 T2 T3 idle N2 <mode> <uid> <cmd> <cmd-name> <arguments>
parameters window T1 T2 T3 idle N2 <mode>
<peer3> window T1 T2 T3 idle N2 <mode> <uid> <cmd> <cmd-name> <arguments>
...
default window T1 T2 T3 idle N2 <mode> <uid> <cmd> <cmd-name> <arguments>
```

Where:

at the start of a line marks a comment and is completely ignored by the ax25d program.

<port_name>
is the name of the AX.25, NetRom or Rose port as specified in the /etc/ax25/axports, /etc/ax25/nrports and /etc/ax25/rsports files. The name of the port is surrounded by the `[]' brackets if it is an AX.25 port, the `<>' brackets if it is a NetRom port, or the `{}' brackets if it is a Rose port. There is an alternate form for this field, and that is use prefix the port name with `callsign/ssid via' to indicate that you wish accept calls to the callsign/ssid via this interface. The example

should more clearly illustrate this.

<peer>
is the callsign of the peer node that this particular configuration applies to. If you don't specify an SSID here then any SSID will match.

window
is the AX.25 Window parameter (K) or MAXFRAME parameter for this configuration.

T1 is the Frame retransmission (T1) timer in half second units.

T2 is the amount of time the AX.25 software will wait for another incoming frame before preparing a response in 1 second units.

T3 is the amount of time of inactivity before the AX.25 software will disconnect the session in 1 second units.

idle
is the idle timer value in seconds.

N2 is the number of consecutive retransmissions that will occur before the connection is closed.

<mode>
provides a mechanism for determining certain types of general permissions. The modes are enabled or disabled by supplying a combination of characters, each representing a permission. The characters may be in either upper or lower case and must be in a single block with no spaces.

u/U
UTMP - currently unsupported.

v/V
Validate call - currently unsupported.

q/Q
Quiet - Don't log connection

n/N
check NetRom Neighbour - currently unsupported.

d/D
Disallow Digipeaters - Connections must be direct, not digipeated.

l/L
Lockout - Don't allow connection.

*/0
marker - place marker, no mode set.

<uid>
is the userid that the program to be run to support the
connection should be run as.

<cmd>
is the full pathname of the command to be run, with no arguments
specified.

<cmd-name>
is the text that should appear in a ps as the command name
running (normally the same as <cmd> except without the directory
path information.

<arguments>
are the command line argument to be passed to the <:cmd> when it
is run. You pass useful information into these arguments by use
of the following tokens:

%d Name of the port the connection was received on.

%U AX.25 callsign of the connected party without the SSID, in
uppercase.

%u AX.25 callsign of the connected party without the SSID, in
lowercase.

%S AX.25 callsign of the connected party with the SSID, in
uppercase.

%s AX.25 callsign of the connected party with the SSID, in
lowercase.

%P AX.25 callsign of the remote node that the connection came in
from without the SSID, in uppercase.

%p AX.25 callsign of the remote node that the connection came in
from without the SSID, in lowercase.

%R AX.25 callsign of the remote node that the connection came in
from with the SSID, in uppercase.

%r AX.25 callsign of the remote node that the connection came in
from with the SSID, in lowercase.

You need one section in the above format for each AX.25, NetRom or
Rose interface you want to accept incoming AX.25, NetRom or Rose
connections on.

There are two special lines in the paragraph, one starts with the
string `parameters' and the other starts with the string `default'
(yes there is a difference). These lines serve special functions.

The `default' lines purpose should be obvious, this line acts as a
catch-all, so that any incoming connection on the <interface_call>
interface that doesn't have a specific rule will match the `default'
rule. If you don't have a `default' rule, then any connections not

matching any specific rule will be disconnected immediately without notice.

The `parameters' line is a little more subtle, and here is the trap I mentioned earlier. In any of the fields for any definition for a peer you can use the `*' character to say `use the default value'. The `parameters' line is what sets those default values. The kernel software itself has some defaults which will be used if you don't specify any using the `parameters' entry. The trap is that the these defaults apply only to those rules below the `parameters' line, not to those above. You may have more than one `parameters' rule per interface definition, and in this way you may create groups of default configurations. It is important to note that the `parameters' rule does not allow you to set the `uid' or `command' fields.

12.2. A simple example ax25d.conf file.

Ok, an illustrative example:

```
# ax25d.conf for VK2KTJ - 02/03/97
# This configuration uses the AX.25 port defined earlier.

# <peer> Win T1 T2 T3 idl N2 <mode> <uid> <exec> <argv[0]>[<args....>]

[VK2KTJ-0 via radio]
parameters 1 10 * * * * *
VK2XLZ * * * * * * * root /usr/sbin/axspawn axspawn %u +
VK2DAY * * * * * * * root /usr/sbin/axspawn axspawn %u +
NOCALL * * * * * * L
default 1 10 5 100 180 5 * root /usr/sbin/pms pms -a -o vk2ktj

[VK2KTJ-1 via radio]
default * * * * * 0 root /usr/sbin/node node

<netrom>
parameters 1 10 * * * * *
NOCALL * * * * * * L
default * * * * * * 0 root /usr/sbin/node node

{VK2KTJ-0 via rose}
parameters 1 10 * * * * *
VK2XLZ * * * * * * * root /usr/sbin/axspawn axspawn %u +
VK2DAY * * * * * * * root /usr/sbin/axspawn axspawn %u +
NOCALL * * * * * * L
default 1 10 5 100 180 5 * root /usr/sbin/pms pms -a -o vk2ktj

{VK2KTJ-1 via rose}
default * * * * * 0 root /usr/sbin/node node radio
```

This example says that anybody attempting to connect to the callsign `VK2KTJ-0' heard on the AX.25 port called `radio' will have the following rules applied:

Anyone whose callsign is set to `NOCALL' should be locked out, note the use of mode `L'.

The parameters line changes two parameters from the kernel defaults (Window and T1) and will run the /usr/sbin/axspawn program for them. Any copies of /usr/sbin/axspawn run this way will appear as axspawn in a ps listing for convenience. The next two lines provide definitions for two stations who will receive those permissions.

The last line in the paragraph is the `catch all' definition that everybody else will get (including VK2XLZ and VK2DAY using any other SSID other than -1). This definition sets all of the parameters implicitly and will cause the pms program to be run with a command line argument indicating that it is being run for an AX.25 connection, and that the owner callsign is VK2KTJ. (See the `Configuring the PMS' section below for more details).

The next configuration accepts calls to VK2KTJ-1 via the radio port. It runs the node program for everybody that connects to it.

The next configuration is a NetRom configuration, note the use of the greater-then and less-than braces instead of the square brackets. These denote a NetRom configuration. This configuration is simpler, it simply says that anyone connecting to our NetRom port called `netrom' will have the node program run for them, unless they have a callsign of `NOCALL' in which case they will be locked out.

The last two configurations are for incoming Rose connections. The first for people who have placed calls to `vk2ktj-0' and the second for `VK2KTJ-1 at the our Rose node address. These work precisely the same way. Not the use of the curly braces to distinguish the port as a Rose port.

This example is a contrived one but I think it illustrates clearly the important features of the syntax of the configuration file. The configuration file is explained fully in the ax25d.conf man page. A more detailed example is included in the ax25-utils package that might be useful to you too.

12.3. Starting ax25d

When you have the two configuration files completed you start ax25d with the command:

/usr/sbin/ax25d

When this is run people should be able to make AX.25 connections to your Linux machine. Remember to put the ax25d command in your rc files so that it is started automatically when you reboot each time.

13. Configuring the node software.

The node software was developed by Tomi Manninen <tomi.manninen@hut.fi> and was based on the original PMS program. It provides a fairly complete and flexible node capability that is easily

configured. It allows users once they are connected to make Telnet, NetRom, Rose, and AX.25 connections out and to obtain various sorts of information such as Finger, Nodes and Heard lists etc. You can configure the node to execute any Linux command you wish fairly simply.

The node would normally be invoked from the ax25d program although it is also capable of being invoked from the TCP/IP inetd program to allow users to telnet to your machine and obtain access to it, or by running it from the command line.

13.1. Creating the /etc/ax25/node.conf file.

The node.conf file is where the main configuration of the node takes place. It is a simple text file and its format is as follows:

```
# /etc/ax25/node.conf
# configuration file for the node(8) program.
#
# Lines beginning with '#' are comments and are ignored.

# Hostname
# Specifies the hostname of the node machine
hostname radio.gw.vk2ktj.ampr.org

# Local Network
# allows you to specify what is consider 'local' for the
# purposes of permission checking using nodes.perms.
localnet 44.136.8.96/29

# Hide Ports
# If specified allows you to make ports invisible to users. The
# listed ports will not be listed by the (P)orts command.
hiddenports rose netrom

# Node Identification.
# this will appear in the node prompt
NodeId LINUX:VK2KTJ-9

# NetRom port
# This is the name of the netrom port that will be used for
# outgoing NetRom connections from the node.
NrPort netrom

# Node Idle Timeout
# Specifies the idle time for connections to this node in seconds.
idletimout 1800

# Connection Idle Timeout
# Specifies the idle timer for connections made via this node in
# seconds.
conntimeout 1800
```

```
# Reconnect
# Specifies whether users should be reconnected to the node
# when their remote connections disconnect, or whether they
# should be disconnected complete.
reconnect on

# Command Aliases
# Provide a way of making complex node commands simple.
alias CONV "telnet vk1xwt.ampr.org 3600"
alias BBS "connect radio vk2xsb"

# Externam Command Aliases
# Provide a means of executing external commands under the node.
# extcmd <cmdname> <flag> <userid> <command>
# Flag == 1 is the only implemented function.
# <command> is formatted as per ax25d.conf
extcmd PMS 1 root /usr/sbin/pms pms -u %U -o VK2KTJ

# Logging
# Set logging to the system log. 3 is the noisiest, 0 is disabled.
loglevel 3

# The escape character
# 20 = (Control-T)
EscapeChar 20
```

13.2. Creating the /etc/ax25/node.perms file.

The node allows you to assign permissions to users. These permissions allow you to determine which users should be allowed to make use of options such as the (T)elnet, and (C)onnect commands, for example, and which shouldn't. The node.perms file is where this information is stored and contains five key fields. For all fields an asterisk `*' character matches anything. This is useful for building default rules.

user
The first field is the callsign or user to which the permissions should apply. Any SSID value is ignored, so you should just place the base callsign here.

method
Each protocol or access method is also given permissions. For example you might allow users who have connected via AX.25 or NetRom to use the (C)onnect option, but prevent others, such as those who are telnet connected from a non-local node from having access to it. The second field therefore allows you to select which access method this permissions rule should apply to. The access methods allowed are:

```
method description
------ ------------------------------------------------------------
ampr User is telnet connected from an amprnet address (44.0.0.0)
ax25 User connected by AX.25
host User started node from command line
```

```
inet user is telnet connected from a non-loca, non-ampr address.
local User is telnet connected from a 'local' host
netrom User connected by NetRom
rose User connected by Rose
* User connected by any means.

port
For AX.25 users you can control permissions on a port by port
basis too if you choose. This allows you to determine what AX.25
are allowed to do based on which of your ports they have
connected to. The third field contains the port name if you are
using this facility. This is useful only for AX.25 connections.

password
You may optionally configure the node so that it prompts users
to enter a password when they connect. This might be useful to
help protect specially configured users who have high authority
levels. If the fourth field is set then its value will be the
password that will be accepted.

permissions
The permissions field is the final field in each entry in the
file. The permissions field is coded as a bit field, with each
facility having a bit value which if set allows the option to be
used and if not set prevents the facility being used. The list
of controllable facilities and their corresponding bit values
are:

value description
----- --------------------------------------------------
1 Login allowed.
2 AX25 (C)onnects allowed.
4 NetRom (C)onnects allowed.
8 (T)elnet to local hosts allowed.
16 (T)elnet to amprnet (44.0.0.0) hosts allowed.
32 (T)elnet to non-local, non-amprnet hosts allowed.
64 Hidden ports allowed for AX.25 (C)onnects.
128 Rose (C)onnects allowed.

To code the permissions value for a rule, simply take each of the
permissions you want that user to have and add their values
together. The resulting number is what you place in field five.

A sample nodes.perms might look like:

# /etc/ax25/node.perms
#
# The node operator is VK2KTJ, has a password of 'secret' and
# is allowed all permissions by all connection methods
vk2ktj * * secret 255

# The following users are banned from connecting
NOCALL * * * 0
```

```
PK232 * * * 0
PMS * * * 0

# INET users are banned from connecting.
* inet * * 0

# AX.25, NetRom, Local, Host and AMPR users may (C)onnect and (T)elnet
# to local and ampr hosts but not to other IP addresses.
* ax25 * * 159
* netrom * * 159
* local * * 159
* host * * 159
* ampr * * 159
```

13.3. Configuring node to run from ax25d

The node program would normally be run by the ax25d program. To do this you need to add appropriate rules to the /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file. In my configuration I wanted users to have a choice of either connecting to the node or connecting to other services. ax25d allows you to do this by cleverly creating creating port aliases. For example, given the ax25d configuration presented above, I want to configure node so that all users who connect to VK2KTJ-1 are given the node. To do this I add the following to my /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file:

```
[vk2ktj-1 via radio]
default * * * * * 0 root /usr/sbin/node node
```

This says that the Linux kernel code will answer any connection requests for the callsign `VK2KTJ-1' heard on the AX.25 port named `radio', and will cause the node program to be run.

13.4. Configuring node to run from inetd

If you want users to be able to telnet a port on your machine and obtain access to the node you can go this fairly easily. The first thing to decide is what port users should connect to. In this example I've arbitrarily chosen port 4000, though Tomi gives details on how you could replace the normal telnet daemon with the node in his documentation.

You need to modify two files.

To /etc/services you should add:

```
node 3694/tcp #OH2BNS's node software
```

and to /etc/inetd.conf you should add:

```
node stream tcp nowait root /usr/sbin/node node
```

When this is done, and you have restarted the inetd program any user who telnet connects to port 3694 of your machine will be prompted to login and if configured, their password and then they will be con&#65533;

nected to the node.

14. Configuring axspawn.

The axspawn program is a simple program that allows AX.25 stations who connect to be logged in to your machine. It may be invoked from the ax25d program as described above in a manner similar to the node program. To allow a user to log in to your machine you should add a line similar to the following into your /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file:

```
default * * * * * 1 root /usr/sbin/axspawn axspawn %u
```

If the line ends in the + character then the connecting user must hit return before they will be allowed to login. The default is to not wait. Any individual host configurations that follow this line will have the axspawn program run when they connect. When axspawn is run it first checks that the command line argument it is supplied is a legal callsign, strips the SSID, then it checks that /etc/passwd file to see if that user has an account configured. If there is an account, and the password is either "" (null) or + then the user is logged in, if there is anything in the password field the user is prompted to enter a password. If there is not an existing account in the /etc/passwd file then axspawn may be configured to automatically create one.

14.1. Creating the /etc/ax25/axspawn.conf file.

You can alter the behaviour of axspawn in various ways by use of the /etc/ax25/axspawn.conf file. This file is formatted as follows:

```
# /etc/ax25/axspawn.conf
#
# allow automatic creation of user accounts
create yes
#
# guest user if above is 'no' or everything else fails. Disable with "no"
guest no
#
# group id or name for autoaccount
group ax25
#
# first user id to use
first_uid 2001
#
# maximum user id
max_uid 3000
#
# where to add the home directory for the new users
home /home/ax25
#
# user shell
shell /bin/bash
#
```

```
# bind user id to callsign for outgoing connects.
associate yes
```

The eight configurable characteristics of axspawn are as follows:

```
# indicates a comment.

create
if this field is set to yes then axspawn will attempt to
automatically create a user account for any user who connects
and does not already have an entry in the /etc/passwd file.

guest
this field names the login name of the account that will be used
for people who connect who do not already have accounts if
create is set to no. This is usually ax25 or guest.

group
this field names the group name that will be used for any users
who connect and do not already have an entry in the /etc/passwd
file.

first_uid
this is the number of the first userid that will be
automatically created for new users.

max_uid
this is the maximum number that will be used for the userid of
new users.

home
this is the home (login) directory of new users.

shell
this is the login shell of any new users.

associate
this flag indicates whether outgoing AX.25 connections made by
this user after they login will use their own callsign, or your
stations callsign.
```

15. Configuring the pms

The pms program is an implementation of a simple personal message system. It was originally written by Alan Cox. Dave Brown, N2RJT, <dcb@vectorbd.com> has taken on further development of it. At present it is still very simple, supporting only the ability to send mail to the owner of the system and to obtain some limited system information but Dave is working to expand its capability to make it more useful.

After that is done there are a couple of simple files that you should create that give users some information about the system and then you need to add appropriate entries into the ax25d.conf file so that connected users are presented with the PMS.

15.1. Create the /etc/ax25/pms.motd file.

The /etc/ax25/pms.motd file contains the `message of the day' that users will be presented with after they connect and receive the usual BBS id header. The file is a simple text file, any text you include in this file will be sent to users.

15.2. Create the /etc/ax25/pms.info file.

The /etc/ax25/pms.info file is also a simple text file in which you would put more detailed information about your station or configuration. This file is presented to users in response to their issuing of the Info command from the PMS> prompt.

15.3. Associate AX.25 callsigns with system users.

When a connected user sends mail to an AX.25 callsign, the pms expects that callsign to be mapped, or associated with a real system user on your machine. This is described in a section of its own.

15.4. Add the PMS to the /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file.

Adding the pms to your ax25d.conf file is very simple. There is one small thing you need to think about though. Dave has added command line arguments to the PMS to allow it to handle a number of different text end-of-line conventions. AX.25 and NetRom by convention expect the end-of-line to be carriage return, linefeed while the standard unix end-of-line is just newline. So, for example, if you wanted to add an entry that meant that the default action for a connection received on an AX.25 port is to start the PMS then you would add a line that looked something like:

```
default 1 10 5 100 5 0 root /usr/sbin/pms pms -a -o vk2ktj
```

This simply runs the pms program, telling it that it is an AX.25 connection it is connected to and that the PMS owner is vk2ktj. Check the man page for what you should specify for other connection methods.

15.5. Test the PMS.

To test the PMS, you can try the following command from the command line:

```
# /usr/sbin/pms -u vk2ktj -o vk2ktj
```

Substitute your own callsign for mine and this will run the pms, telling it that it is to use the unix end-of-line convention, and that user logging in is vk2ktj. You can do all the things connected users can.

Additionally you might try getting some other node to connect to you to confirm that your ax25d.conf configuration works.

16. Configuring the user_call programs.

The `user_call' programs are really called: ax25_call and netrom_call. They are very simple programs designed to be called from ax25d to automate network connections to remote hosts. They may of course be called from a number of other places such as shell scripts or other daemons such as the node program.

They are like a very simple call program. They don't do any meddling with the data at all, so the end of line handling you'll have to worry about yourself.

Let's start with an example of how you might use them. Imagine you have a small network at home and that you have one linux machine acting as your Linux radio gateway and another machine, lets say a BPQ node connected to it via an ethernet connection.

Normally if you wanted radio users to be able to connect to the BPQ node they would either have to digipeat through your linux node, or connect to the node program on your linux node and then connect from it. The ax25_call program can simplify this if it is called from the ax25d program.

Imagine the BPQ node has the callsign VK2KTJ-9 and that the linux machine has the AX.25/ethernet port named `bpq'. Let us also imagine the Linux gateway machine has a radio port called `radio'.

An entry in the /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf that looked like:

```
[VK2KTJ-1 via radio]
default * * * * * * *
root /usr/sbin/ax25_call ax25_call bpq %u vk2ktj-9
```

would enable users to connect direct to `VK2KTJ-1' which would actu&#65533;
ally be the Linux ax25d daemon and then be automatically switched to
an AX.25 connection to `VK2KTJ-9' via the `bpq' interface.

There are all sorts of other possible configurations that you might try. The `netrom_call' and `rose_call' utilities work in similar ways. One amateur has used this utility to make connections to a remote BBS easier. Normally the users would have to manually enter a long connection string to make the call so he created an entry that made the BBS appear as though it were on the local network by having his ax25d proxy the connection to the remote machine.

17. Configuring the Rose Uplink and Downlink commands

If you are familiar with the ROM based Rose implementation you will be familiar with the method by which AX.25 users make calls across a Rose network. If a users local Rose node has the callsign VK2KTJ-5 and the AX.25 user wants to connect to VK5XXX at remote Rose node 5050882960 then they would issue the command:

```
c vk5xxx v vk2ktj-5 5050 882960
```

At the remote node, VK5XXX would see an incoming connection with the local AX.25 users callsign and being digipeated via the remote Rose

nodes callsign.

The Linux Rose implementation does not support this capability in the kernel, but there are two application programs called rsuplnk and rsdwnlnk which perform this function.

17.1. Configuring a Rose downlink

To configure your Linux machine to accept a Rose connection and establish an AX.25 connection to any destination callsign that is not being listened for on your machine you need to add an entry to your /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file. Normally you would configure this entry to be the default behaviour for incoming Rose connections. For example you might have Rose listeners operating for destinations like NODE-0 or HEARD-0 that you wish to handle locally, but for all other destination calls you may want to pass them to the rsdwnlink command and assume they are AX.25 users.

A typical configuration would look like:

```
#
{* via rose}
NOCALL * * * * * * L
default * * * * * * - root /usr/sbin/rsdwnlnk rsdwnlnk 4800 vk2ktj-5
#
```

With this configuration any user who established a Rose connection to your Linux nodes address with a destination call of something that you were not specifically listening for would be converted into an AX.25 connection on the AX.25 port named 4800 with a digipeater path of VK2KTJ-5.

17.2. Configuring a Rose uplink

To configure your Linux machine to accept AX.25 connections in the same way that a ROM Rose node would you must add an entry into your /etc/ax25/ax25d.conf file that looks similar to the following:

```
#
[VK2KTJ-5* via 4800]
NOCALL * * * * * * L
default * * * * * * - root /usr/sbin/rsuplnk rsuplnk rose
#
```

Note the special syntax for the local callsign. The `*' character indicates that the application should be invoked if the callsign is heard in the digipeater path of a connection.

This configuration would allow an AX.25 user to establish Rose calls using the example connect sequence presented in the introduction. Anybody attempting to digipeat via VK2KTJ-5 on the AX.25 port named 4800 would be handled by the rsuplnk command.

18. Associating AX.25 callsigns with Linux users.

There are a number of situations where it is highly desirable to associate a callsign with a linux user account. One example might be where a number of amateur radio operators share the same linux machine and wish to use their own callsign when making calls. Another is the case of PMS users wanting to talk to a particular user on your machine.

The AX.25 software provides a means of managing this association of linux user account names with callsigns. We've mentioned it once already in the PMS section, but I'm spelling it out here to be sure you don't miss it.

You make the association with the axparms command. An example looks like:

axparms -assoc vk2ktj terry

This command associates that AX.25 callsign vk2ktj with the user terry on the machine. So, for example, any mail for vk2ktj on the pms will be sent to Linux account terry.

Remember to put these associations into your rc file so that they are available each time your reboot.

Note you should never associate a callsign with the root account as this can cause configuration problems in other programs.

19. The /proc/ file system entries.

The /proc filesystem contains a number of files specifically related to the AX25 and NetRom kernel software. These files are normally used by the AX52 utilities, but they are plainly formatted so you may be interested in reading them. The format is fairly easily understood so I don't think much explanation will be necessary.

/proc/net/arp
contains the list of Address Resolution Protocol mappings of IP addresses to MAC layer protocol addresses. These can can AX.25, ethernet or some other MAC layer protocol.

/proc/net/ax25
contains a list of AX.25 sockets opened. These might be listening for a connection, or active sessions.

/proc/net/ax25_bpqether
contains the AX25 over ethernet BPQ style callsign mappings.

/proc/net/ax25_calls
contains the linux userid to callsign mappings set my the axparms -assoc command.

/proc/net/ax25_route
contains AX.25 digipeater path information.

/proc/net/nr
contains a list of NetRom sockets opened. These might be

listening for a connection, or active sessions.

/proc/net/nr_neigh
contains information about the NetRom neighbours known to the
NetRom software.

/proc/net/nr_nodes
contains information about the NetRom nodes known to the NetRom
software.

/proc/net/rose
contains a list of Rose sockets opened. These might be listening
for a connection, or active sessions.

/proc/net/rose_nodes
contains a mapping of Rose destinations to Rose neighbours.

/proc/net/rose_neigh
contains a list of known Rose neighbours.

/proc/net/rose_routes
contains a list of all established Rose connections.

20. AX.25, NetRom, Rose network programming.

Probably the biggest advantage of using the kernel based
implementations of the amateur packet radio protocols is the ease with
which you can develop applications and programs to use them.

While the subject of Unix Network Programming is outside the scope of
this document I will describe the elementary details of how you can
make use of the AX.25, NetRom and Rose protocols within your software.

20.1. The address families.

Network programming for AX.25, NetRom and Rose is quite similar to
programming for TCP/IP under Linux. The major differences being the
address families used, and the address structures that need to be
mangled into place.

The address family names for AX.25, NetRom and Rose are AF_AX25,
AF_NETROM and AF_ROSE respectively.

20.2. The header files.

You must always include the `ax25.h' header file, and also the
`netrom.h' or `rose.h' header files if you are dealing with those
protocols. Simple top level skeletons would look something like the
following:

For AX.25:

```
#include <ax25.h>
int s, addrlen = sizeof(struct full_sockaddr_ax25);
struct full_sockaddr_ax25 sockaddr;
```

```
sockaddr.fsa_ax25.sax25_family = AF_AX25
```

For NetRom:

```
#include <ax25.h>
#include <netrom.h>
int s, addrlen = sizeof(struct full_sockaddr_ax25);
struct full_sockaddr_ax25 sockaddr;
sockaddr.fsa_ax25.sax25_family = AF_NETROM;
```

For Rose:

```
#include <ax25.h>
#include <rose.h>
int s, addrlen = sizeof(struct sockaddr_rose);
struct sockaddr_rose sockaddr;
sockaddr.srose_family = AF_ROSE;
```

20.3. Callsign mangling and examples.

There are routines within the lib/ax25.a library built in the AX25 utilities package that manage the callsign conversions for you. You can write your own of course if you wish.

The user_call utilities are excellent examples from which to work. The source code for them is included in the AX25 utilities package. If you spend a little time working with those you will soon see that ninety percent of the work is involved in just getting ready to open the socket. Actually making the connection is easy, the preparation takes time.

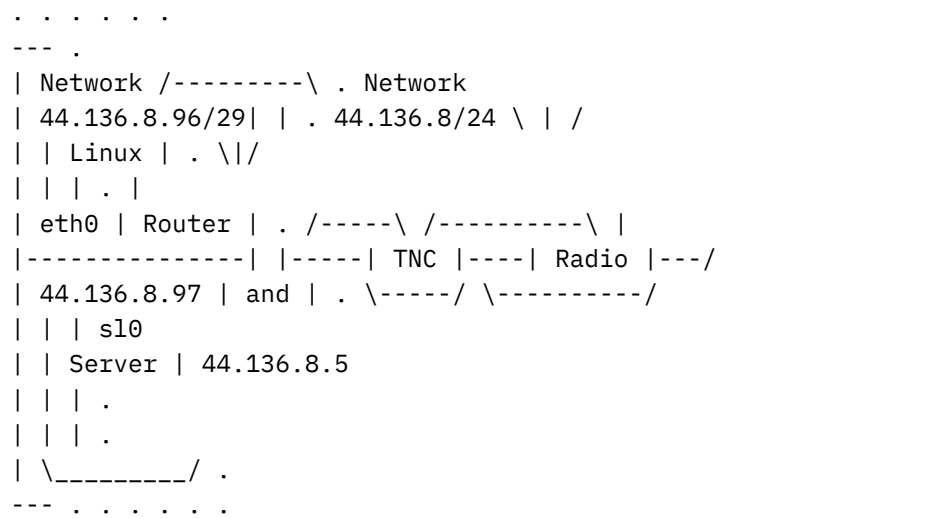
The example are simple enough to not be very confusing. If you have any questions, you should feel to direct them to the linux-hams mailing list and someone there will be sure to help you.

21. Some sample configurations.

Following are examples of the most common types of configurations. These are guides only as there are as many ways of configuring your network as there are networks to configure, but they may give you a start.

21.1. Small Ethernet LAN with Linux as a router to Radio LAN

Many of you may have small local area networks at home and want to connect the machines on that network to your local radio LAN. This is the type of configuration I use at home. I arranged to have a suitable block of addresses allocated to me that I could capture in a single route for convenience and I use these on my Ethernet LAN. Your local IP coordinator will assist you in doing this if you want to try it as well. The addresses for the Ethernet LAN form a subset of the radio LAN addresses. The following configuration is the actual one for my linux router on my network at home:




```
#!/bin/sh
# /etc/rc.net
# This configuration provides one KISS based AX.25 port and one
# Ethernet device.

echo "/etc/rc.net"
echo " Configuring:"

echo -n " loopback:"
/sbin/ifconfig lo 127.0.0.1
/sbin/route add 127.0.0.1
echo " done."

echo -n " ethernet:"
/sbin/ifconfig eth0 44.136.8.97 netmask 255.255.255.248 \
broadcast 44.136.8.103 up
/sbin/route add 44.136.8.97 eth0
/sbin/route add -net 44.136.8.96 netmask 255.255.255.248 eth0
echo " done."

echo -n " AX.25: "
kissattach -i 44.136.8.5 -m 512 /dev/ttyS1 4800
ifconfig sl0 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 44.136.8.255
route add -host 44.136.8.5 sl0
route add -net 44.136.8.0 window 1024 sl0

echo -n " Netrom: "
nrattach -i 44.136.8.5 netrom

echo " Routing:"
/sbin/route add default gw 44.136.8.68 window 1024 sl0
echo " default route."
echo done.

# end

/etc/ax25/axports
```

```
# name callsign speed paclen window description
4800 VK2KTJ-0 4800 256 2 144.800 MHz

/etc/ax25/nrports

# name callsign alias paclen description
netrom VK2KTJ-9 LINUX 235 Linux Switch Port

/etc/ax25/nrbroadcast

# ax25_name min_obs def_qual worst_qual verbose
4800 1 120 10 1
```

• You must have IP_FORWARDING enabled in your kernel.

• The AX.25 configuration files are pretty much those used as examples in the earlier sections, refer to those where necessary.

• I've chosen to use an IP address for my radio port that is not within my home network block. I needn't have done so, I could have easily used 44.136.8.97 for that port too.

• 44.136.8.68 is my local IPIP encapsulated gateway and hence is where I point my default route.

• Each of the machines on my Ethernet network have a route:

```
route add -net 44.0.0.0 netmask 255.0.0.0 \
gw 44.136.8.97 window 512 mss 512 eth0

The use of the mss and window parameters means that I can get optimum
performance from both local Ethernet and radio based connections.
```

• I also run my smail, http, ftp and other daemons on the router machine so that it needs to be the only machine to provide others with facilities.

• The router machine is a lowly 386DX20 with a 20Mb harddrive and a very minimal linux configuration.

```
- --- END Linux AX25 HOWTO part 2/3 ---
```


```
-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
Version: 2.6.2
Comment: finger gregh@cc.gatech.edu for public key

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-----END PGP SIGNATURE-----
```

702. Linux HAM HOWTO (part 1/2)

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*** Terry Dawson <terry@perf.no.itg.telecom.com.au>.

- --- BEGIN Linux HAM HOWTO part 1/2 ---

Linux HAM-HOWTO, Amateur Radio.
Terry Dawson, VK2KTJ, terry@perf.no.itg.telstra.com.au
v2.3, 1 April 1997

It is hoped that this document will assist Amateur Radio operators in
finding and trying the various amateur radio software that has been
written for or ported to Linux. It is also hoped that as a consequence
of this information being available that more amateur radio operators
will choose Linux as the platform of choice for their experimentation,
and that software developers will choose Linux as the platform for
their software development, further expanding the role of operating
systems like Linux in the Amateur Radio field.

1. Introduction.

This list was prompted by comments that had been expressed in the
various Linux newsgroups about the number of amateur radio operators
that were involved with Linux. It is now clear that Linux is becoming
a popular platform for Amateur Radio development work.

This list was originally called the RADIOLINUX list, but has been
moved into the Linux Documentation Project HOWTO collection, so it has
been renamed the HAM-HOWTO. I make no apologies for the name.

1.1. Changes from the previous version

Additions:
Added entry based last updated field.
bpf - filter calculator
BayBox - Packet BBS
digiinfo - digipeater information database
Contest logging program
Chirp contest logger
bip

pileup
twclock
DX Cluster watcher
F6FBB BBS

Corrections/Updates:
Changed all ftp: url's to point to the directory rather than the file.
CLX, and just about everything else.
Updated location of John Gotts mirror.

ToDo:
find a way of automating this, or find an alternate means of
presenting this information.

2. Where to obtain new versions of this document.

The Linux Documentation Project runs a Web Server and this document
appears there as The HAM-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/mdw/HOWTO/HAM-
HOWTO.html>.

Dennis Boylan N4ZMZ dennis@nanovx.atl.ga.us makes it available at the
following three locations:

www.com <http://www.com/linux/radio/index.html>, www.hboc.com
<http://www.hboc.com/linux/index.html> and www.lan.com
<http://www.lan.com/linux/index.html>.

John Gotts N8QDW jgotts@engin.umich.edu makes it available at: www-
personal.engin.umich.edu <http://www-
personal.engin.umich.edu/~jgotts/linux/HOWTO/HAM/HAM-HOWTO.html>.

Dan Todd dantodd@fusilli.ucdavis.edu makes it available at the
following two locations: wheel.dcn.davis.ca
<http://wheel.dcn.davis.ca/~dantodd/Linux/HAM-HOWTO.html>, and
fusilli.ucdavis.edu <http://fusilli.ucdavis.edu/Linux/HAM-HOWTO.html>.

Alan Hargreaves VK2KVF alan@dap.CSIRO.AU makes it available in
Australia at: www.dap.csiro.au <http://www.dap.csiro.au/RadioLinux>.

The Tuebingen Radio Club has it available from their home page at:
DARC Home Page <http://www.neckar-alb.de/darc/welcome.html>

Please let me know if you'd like to make it available somewhere too.
I'd like to see it on some Web Servers that are accessible from radio.

3. Satellite Software.

The following software is for use in experimentation with Satellite
communication.

3.1. MicroSat Ground Station Software

Author
John Melton, G0ORX/N6LYT, g0orx@amsat.org and Jonathan Naylor
G4KLX, g4klx@amsat.org

Description
Microsat Ground Station software.

Status
BETA. Version 0.91 released.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Alan Cox's kernel based AX.25 support ver 1.1.12 or better. X-Windows. The programs make use of the Athena Widgets and look much better with the 3D libraries.

Detail
This software allows you to use of a KISS tnc to directly communicate with the Microsat series of satellites. It provides an Athena Widgets based X-Windows interface, and allows you a comprehensive range of means of interacting with the satellite. The software should work with any window manager.

The software provides the following programs:

xpb:
broadcast monitor

xpg:
ftl0 file upload program, message upload program

xtlm:
telemetry display program

downloaded:
downloaded file list viewer
directory:
directory list viewer

message:
message preparation application

viewtext:
uncompressed ASCII text file viewer

viewlog:
display the contents of some log files

xweber:
special program for downloading webersat images

phs:
general purpose PACSAT header stripper

Where and How to obtain it.
John's software is available from: ftp.cs.nott.ac.uk <ftp://ftp.cs.nott.ac.uk/jsn/> or ftp.amsat.org <ftp://ftp.amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/> or ftp.funet.fi

<ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/ham/satellite/pacsat/>. The version current at the time of writing was microsat-0.91.tar.gz. Please check for new versions.

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Contributed by:
John Melton, G0ORX/N6LYT, Alan Cox, GW4PTS, Jonathon Naylor, G4KLX

3.2. SatTrack - Satellite tracking program

Name
SatTrack

Author
Manfred Bester, DL5KR, manfred@ssl.berkeley.edu, (510) 849-9922

Description
Satellite realtime tracking and orbit prediction program with X11 color graphics.

Status
Version 4.0 is a fully commercial release. Version 3.1.5 is the last freely available release.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
A vt100 terminal and or X11 server. A Maths Coprocessor is useful, but not essential, for good performance.

Detail
SatTrack is a satellite tracking program that has been written in 'C' language on a UNIX workstation. It provides two different live displays, for single or multiple satellites, and two different orbit prediction facilities. Cursor controls used in both live displays are compatible with the VT100 standard, which allows the program to be run basically from any terminal. An optional X Window graphics display shows the typical world map tracking chart. The orbit prediction can be run either interactively or in a batch mode. In the latter case all necessary parameters are specified on the command line. The program uses the NORAD/NASA two-line Keplerian element (TLE) sets directly.

The current version of SatTrack can track a single satellite and/or display multiple satellites for a single ground station. It also can control suitable ground station hardware, like antennas and radio equipment, and has an autotrack mode in which it switches automatically between a number of specified satellites. For calibration purposes tracking of the Sun and the

Moon are also provided. Future releases will provide more options. SatTrack requires about 5MB of disk space in the full distribution with eight different world maps (2 styles, with 4 different sizes each, to fit everyone's screen and taste) and less than 1.5 MB of memory at run time. More information can be obtained from the SatTrack WWW Home Page <http://www.primenet.com/~bester/sattrack.html>.

Where and How to obtain it.
The commerical version of SatTrack can be found at: SatTrack WWW Home Page <http://www.primenet.com/~bester/sattrack.html>.

The free version of SatTrack may be found at: ftp.jvnc.net <ftp://ftp.jvnc.net/priv/kupiec/sattrack/> or ftp.amsat.org <ftp://ftp.amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/>.

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Contributed by:
Manfred Bester, DL5KR

3.3. Predict

Author
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD, kd2bd@amsat.org

Description
A satellite orbital prediction program that also tracks the sun's position to predict visible satellite passes.

Status
Complete and working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
predict is a screen-oriented program that utilizes the ncurses-1.8.5 (or later) library. A color terminal is a plus, but not a necessity.

Detail
Features of predict include azimuth and elevation headings of satellite passes, orbital phase, sub-satellite point locations, slant ranges, orbit numbers, and sunlight visibility as a function of date and time. The program is simple, fast, and easy to use. Predict maintains an orbital database for 21 satellites that can be updated by the user through the keyboard or by using files containing NASA 2-line orbital element data. Since this program operates under a multiuser environment, each user on the

system owns and maintains his or her own unique orbital data base.

This program has been compiled using the highest level of compiler optimization for high speed execution, and uses an a.out binary format for greatest compatibility.

To install the package use the following:

```
# cd /
# tar xvfz predict.tgz
```

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain predict.tgz from: amsat.org <ftp://amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/>

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Contributed by
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD

3.4. UO11

Author
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD, kd2bd@amsat.org

Description
A simple UoSAT-OSCAR-11 satellite telemetry decoding program.

Status
Complete and working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
A 1200 baud UoSAT-OSCAR-11 FSK demodulator (Bell-202 is suitable), a VHF-FM receiver that can tune to 145.825 MHz, a small yagi antenna, and a communications program such as Minicom that can save 1200 baud ASCII telemetry data to a text file.

Detail
uo11 decodes ASCII telemetry data that has been captured through a terminal program, error checks the received data, and applies calibration equations to the received data to produce a report that can be easily understood and analyzed. uo11 comes pre-compiled (a.out format) with a man page entry for ease of use.

To install you should use the following commands:

```
# cd /
# tar xvfz uo11.tgz
```

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain uo11.tgz from: amsat.org
<ftp://amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/>

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John A. Magliacane, KD2BD

3.5. Dove

Author
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD, kd2bd@amsat.org

Description
A simple DOVE-OSCAR-17 satellite telemetry decoding program.

Status
Complete and working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
A terminal node controller (TNC), a VHF-FM receiver that can
tune to 145.825 MHz, a small yagi antenna, and a communications
program such as Minicom that can save 1200 baud ASCII telemetry
data to a text file.

Detail
dove decodes ASCII telemetry data that has been captured through
a terminal program and applies calibration equations to the
received data to produce a report that can be easily understood
and analyzed. dove comes pre-compiled (a.out format) with a man
page entry for ease of use.

To install Dove you should use the following commands:

```
# cd /
# tar xvfz dove.tgz
```

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain dove.tgz from: amsat.org
<ftp://amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/>

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John A. Magliacane, KD2BD

3.6. Kepgen

Author
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD, kd2bd@amsat.org

Description
A simple, yet useful utility that generates Keplerian data files
in the NASA 2-line format from data entered through the
keyboard.

Status
Complete.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
kepgen is a screen-oriented program that utilizes the
ncurses-1.8.5 (or later) library. A color terminal is a plus,
but not a necessity.

Detail
kepgen allows the user to create checksummed Keplerian data
files in the NASA 2-line format using orbital data entered via
the keyboard. kepgen was created out of the need for generating
2-line orbital files from orbital data copied from WA3NAN audio
transmissions during Space Shuttle missions. The files created
can be read by virtually any satellite tracking or orbital
prediction program. kepgen comes pre-compiled (a.out format)
with a man page entry for ease of use.

To install kepgen you should use the following commands:

cd /
tar xvfz kepgen.tgz

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain kepgen.tgz from: amsat.org
<ftp://amsat.org/amsat/software/Linux/>

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non-commercial purposes only.

Contributed by
John A. Magliacane, KD2BD

4. Shack Automation Software.

Software for simplifying tasks in the shack. Examples might include
software for controlling the newer breed of radios, logging programs,
QSL database, or antenna rotation.

4.1. FT-890 remote control

Author
Emarit Ranu, KG0CQ, drranu@holly.ColoState.EDU

Description
A simple program to control a Yaesu FT-890 transciever via its CAT port from linux.

Status
Working

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Yaesu FT-890, Yaesu FIF-232C interface converter or homebuilt equivalent (Feb 1993 "QST", page 37). Linux, serial cable.

Detail
The program is started with one parameter specifying the com port to use. Once started the program is menu driven. Future versions will support an X-Windows interface.

Where and How to obtain it.
The software is currently only available from the author by email.

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You may copy this program millions of times, the only restrictions are:

- You may not charge ANYONE for the program itself.
- You may not distribute modified versions of the program.
- If you distribute the program, it MUST be the ORIGINAL tar file as received by the author. The README file has to be included.

Contributed by:
Emarit Ranu, KG0CQ

5. Packet Radio

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating packet radio.

5.1. F6FBB Packet BBS

Author
Jean-Paul Roubelat, F6FBB, jpr@f6fbb.org

Description
Fully Features Packet Radio BBS system with X11 Windows interface

Status
Version 7.00b45 is Beta.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Kernel based AX.25/NetRom/Rose network configuration. X11 windowing system for the X11 version.

Detail
This is a port of the well known F6FBB Packet Bulletin Board system to Linux. The BBS supports connections from AX.25, NetRom, Rose and TCP/IP and offers all of the features you'd expect from the product. The optional X11 interface provides a nicely presented sysop interface.

A mailing list for F6FBB is available. To subscribe send a mail message to: majordomo@f6fbb.org with the line `subscribe xfbb' in the body of the message. The mailing list is archived at zone.pspt.fi <http://zone.pspt.fi/archive/fbb/>.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the F6FBB package from its home site at: F6FBB Home Page <http://www.f6fbb.org/>.

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The F6FBB software is frelly available for non-commercial use.

5.2. DX Cluster Watcher

Author
Pierluigi Guerzoni, IZ4AKO, iz4ako@ing49.unife.it

Description
Displays DX information passively received from a DX Cluster Node.

Status
Version 4, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Requires Kernel based AX.25 configuration.

Detail
The DX Cluster watchers listens to the DX Cluster traffic on your frequency, captures it and displays it in a coloured text window. It conserves traffic on the frequency by not requiring you to actually connect to the cluster node.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the DX Cluster Watcher from the: DX Cluster Watcher Home Page <http://ing49.unife.it/~iz4ako/project_inglese.html>.

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GNU GPL

Contributed by
Pierluigi Guerzoni, IZ4AKO, iz4ako@ing49.unife.it

5.3. Digiinfo

Author
Ported by Mario Lorenz, DL5MLO, dl5mlo@vdazone.org

Description
A database of packet radio network information.

Status
Version 2.5.1 is stable.
Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
No special requirements.

Detail
digiinfo was a program initially written for the Atari by
Karsten DC7OS. Digiinfo is a database program for displaying
information about the packet radio networks.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the digiinfo package and database from its home
site at: www.vdazone.org
<http://www.vdazone.org/~dl5mlo/digiinfo/>.

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Contributed by
Mario Lorenz, DL5MLO, dl5mlo@vdazone.org

5.4. BayBox BBS

Author
Flori Radlherr, DL8MBT, flori@t-online.de

Description
A Packet Bulleting Board System for Linux.

Status
Version 1.38, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Recommended hardware is 80486/33Mhz with 8MB RAM

Detail
Unfortunately the documentation is in German and I'm unable to
understand most of it. I get the impression though that this is
a BBS that supports all of the usual features on a packet radio

bbs, forwarding etc, but the documentation seems to suggest that the Linux version supports telnet access only. This isn't really a big constraint, as you can easily configure a session under the Linux ax25d program to accept AX.25/NetRom/Rose connections and connect the BBS via telnet.

If you're able to help by giving a better description, I'd appreciate it.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the BayBOX from its home sites at:
members.aol.com <http://members.aol.com/baybox/>

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The BayCom-Mailbox software is intended for usage in amateur radio context only. Any usage outside of the amateur radio AX.25 network, especially commercial usage or distribution is prohibited. Within the scope of this limitation, usage and copying of the BayCom-Mailbox without fee is hereby granted. In any case of usage, the software is provided "as is" and comes with absolutely no warranty, neither implied nor expressed.
Contributed by
Iztok Saje, S52D, s52d@s55tcp.ampr.org

5.5. JNET

Author
Takeshi Shoji, JF2CEX, taka@myk.ilc.or.jp

Description
An enhanced version of KA9Q NOS for Linux and other platforms.

Status
Version 961210, Stable, released.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
No special system requirements, requires KISS TNC.

Detail
This another actively maintained derivative of the KA9Q NOS package. This version has been ported to a wide range of alternative platforms and offers some enhancements not available in other NOS derivatives. A small catch is that most of the documentation is in Japanese.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the latest version of JNET from its home site at:
www.myk.ilc.or.jp
<http://www.myk.ilc.or.jp/~taka/software.html#jnetcex>.

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I'm actually not sure. I suspect though that as a NOS derivative
it is freely usable by amateur radio operators.

Contributed by
Isao SEKI, http://www.prug.or.jp/people/jm1wbb

5.6. XNet

Author
Richard R. Parry, W9IF, rparry@qualcomm.com

Description
A traffic analyser for AX.25 networks.

Status
Stable, released.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
TCL-7.5/Tk-4.1, KISS TNC.

Detail
The XNet software provides a variety of tools that an AX.25 lan
manager could use to analyze and manage traffic. The tools
present a graphical view of all of the traffic received at the
monitoring node allowing the observer to easily see where the
traffic flows normally and other information such as:
- Packet counts
- Node statistics
- Network Utilisation figures

The network is displayed with icons representing hosts and lines
between them representing the traffic flow. The graphical
display provides an instantly absorbable view of the traffic on
the network being monitored. Richard has more information and
sample displays at: www.qualcomm.com
<http://www.qualcomm.com/~rparry/xnet.html>.

Where and how to obtain it
You can obtain the software from: www.qualcomm.com
<http://www.qualcomm.com/~rparry/xnet/xnet-1.1.tar>

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XNET is a freeware program. It may be freely distributed.

Contributed by
Richard Parry, W9IF

5.7. monax25

Author
Skip Hansen, WB6YMH and Harold Price, NK6K.

Maintained by
Jonathon Naylor, jsn@cs.nott.ac.uk

Description
The monax25 provides a number of utilities for collecting
statistics on AX.25 channel usage.

Status
Version 1.11, Stable

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
KISS TNC.

Detail
The original ax25mon programs were written for MSDOS. This
package is a port of that software to Linux.

Where and how to obtain it
The `monax25' package may be obtained from: sunsite.unc.edu ham
applications directory
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>.

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Freely copyable, not GPL though.

5.8. splitscreen

Author
Dave Brown, N2RJT, dcb@vectorbd.com

Description
Split screen `ttylink' style program with scroll back and log to
file.

Status
Version 1.4.1, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Requires the `ncurses' package.

Detail
The splitscreen is a unix implementation of the NOS ttylink
command. It provides a splitscreen display that makes user to
user chats much easier than the usual telnet interface. The
scroll back buffer and log to file features are useful when you
use the splitscreen program to access services like convers.

Where and how to obtain it
The `splitscreen' package is available from: sunsite.unc.edu ham applications directory <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>

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5.9. talk-ax25

Author
Dave Brown, N2RJT, dcb@vectorbd.com

Description
Berkeley `talk' client modified to support Linux AX.25

Status
Version 960426, working.

System Requirements
Requires the `ncurses' package.

Detail
The `talk-ax25' program is a modifed version of the conventional Berkeley `talk' program to support Linux AX.25 operation.

Where and how to obtain it
The `talk-ax25' program is available from: sunsite.unc.edu ham applications directory <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/> or from: ftp.ucsd.edu <ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/linux/>.

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5.10. 7Plus for Linux

Author
Axel Bauda, DG1BBQ, DG1BBQ@DB0CL.#HB.DEU.EU

Description
Uuencode-like file coder for BBS Send and Forward of binary files.

System Requirements
none special

Detail
Provides the ability to 7Plus encode binary files to allow them to be transmitted within AX.25 BBS messages.

Where and how to obtain it
The `7pl217sr' encoder package is available from: sunsite.unc.edu ham applications directory <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>.

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5.11. TNOS

Author
Brian A. Lantz, brian@lantz.com

Description
TNOS is a NOS derivative that is being actively supported and which is available for both DOS and Linux. It features many enhancements not found in other NOS versions.

Status
Version 2.21. Stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Kernel networking slip support if you want to link the normal Linux network facilities with TNOS. A kiss tnc.

Detail
Brian maintains a World Wide Web server which contains up to date information on TNOS, you can find it at www.lantz.com <http://www.lantz.com/tnos/tnos.html>.

Where and how to obtain it
The current version of TNOS is always available from: ftp.lantz.com <ftp://ftp.lantz.com/tnos/current/unix/>, sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>, or ftp.ucsd.edu <ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/tnos/>.

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5.12. N0ARY Packet BBS for UN*X

Author
Bob Arasmith, N0ARY, ported to Linux (and others) by Bob Proulx, KF0UW, rwp@fc.hp.com

Description
A packet bbs implemented under UN*X.
Status
ALPHA. Bob is running version ARY-0.9 on both Linux and HP-UX. The next version from N0ARY which is called 4.0 is in alpha test/development release. Bob has not been able to bring this online yet and is still running 0.9+kf0uw mods. Bob has about half it working with Alan Cox's AX.25 kernel which would be the desirable combination.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements.
Linux installation, C Compiler, plus HAM radio TNC hardware.

Detail
This bbs has an excellent packet user interface. It has a
compatible set of commands with the RLI bbs so users will be
familiar with it immediately. It then extends the command set
to be a very nice natural language style interface (e.g "list at
allus about KPC-3"). Many csh style bang commands are supported.
Also included is a mail interface to provide a packet to
internet gateway.

Currently you need to customize the source code for your
installation so you need some C programming proficiency.

Where and How to obtain it.
For a Linux version or for Linux information send mail to
rwp@fc.hp.com. For a SunOS version contact bob@arasmith.com.
This code is not packaged for distribution yet since it is not
past the alpha stage of development.

A version of the software is available from ftp.funet.fi
<ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/ham/unix/packet/n0ary/>

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Copyright by Bob Arasmith, N0ARY, but freely redistributable.

Contributed by:
Bob Proulx, KF0UW

5.13. LBBS - Linux BBS message gateway

Author
Daryl L Miles, G7LED, dlm@frink.demon.co.uk

Description
A BBS package designed to operate with either the native AX.25
kernel code or with the Wampes package.

Status
In development, working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Kernel AX.25 support or the Wampes package. sendmail, CNEWS.

Detail
Daryl's aim was to build a platform on which amateurs could
build a Packet BBS to smtp gateway for Linux. I'm not sure what
the current status is as the last version I could find was dated

30 Jun 1995. The latest binary version supports:
• MBL, FBB batching, FBB compressed, FBB type 1 compressed forwarding with restart facility implemented, deferring, and rejection.

• various Linux transport mechanisms including TCP kernel, AX.25 kernel, Wampes NetROM, AX25 or TCP.

• Simple dialer, to allow connections through AX.25 or NetROM nodes.

• White Pages

• Transient handling of type A (ACK messages).

• SMTP/NNTP<>BBS gatewaying implemented heavily to the extent that the user front end will be accessing the NetNews spool to retrieve articles.

• Message filter mechanism

• Field swapping (like SWAPP.SYS in FBB).

• Multiuser/connect.

To install, I did the following:

```
# cd /usr/src
# mkdir LBBS
# tar xvfz LBBS-0.1.6A.tar.gz
# cd LBBS
# ./Install.sh
```

This created a /usr/lbbs directory. The README.Setup file suggest an order in which to configure the BBS.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the `LBBS' package from: ftp.ucsd.edu <ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/linux/>.

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Freely distributable for any non-commercial Amateur Radio use only. No warranty. Will be changed to GPL when software is stable.

5.14. MBL/RLI message to NNTP and email converter.

Author
SM0OHI, pme@it.kth.se

Description
Software that will convert incoming MBL/RLI messages into either NNTP or RFC-822 formatted mail messages.

Status
Development, not yet released.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Unknown.

Detail
This software would be ideally suited to those who want to establish a mail and news gateway between conventional tcp/ip networks and the amateur radio mail network.

Where and How to obtain it.
Not yet availale.

Licensing/Copyright
Unknown.

Contributed by:
SM0OHI

5.15. CLX Packet DX Cluster Program

Author
Franta Bendl, DJ0ZY, and Bernhard ("Ben") Buettner, DL6RAI, root@dl6rai.muc.de

Description
A PacketCluster like system running on Linux.

Status
Current version 2.07

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Linux Kernel version 2.0 or greater, TCP/IP networking, SysV IPC. Also requires Perl and optionally Expect.

Detail
PacketCluster nodes have been available for about seven years. The original software was written by Dick Newell, AK1A, and is running under DOS. CLX is a system which clones a PacketCluster node. To the outside user commands and features are mostly identical. Remote PacketCluster nodes, which can be networked, don't see the difference between a generic PacketCluster node and CLX. So it fits well into an established network of PacketCluster nodes.

CLX is not a user application, it is network node software. As such it is not of much use for the individual amateur. SysOPs of PacketCluster nodes with some experience on both PacketCluster and Linux will find this application interesting.

Here are some of the features of CLX:

• It is fully compatible with the internal PCxx protocol and from a users point of view. It allows multitasking and different priorities.

• The software detects looping DX spots without generating endless messages. CLX filters out such duplicate information. We have implemented a concept which allows us to connect the network at multiple points, which would formerly have been called a "Cluster Loop". CLX knows of so-called "active" and "passive" links. The outcome is that more DX information is seen by CLX users.
• An interface for extending CLX with your own programs and applications.

• Extended connectivity through the use of connect scripts. CLX now can build up and maintain virtually any connection using TCP/IP, UUCP or any other communication programs.

• CLX uses modern programming concepts like shared memory for common data, lex and yacc to implement command language, shared libraries to keep binaries small, remote procedure calls for interprocess communication. It is strictly modularized with its own dedicated process for every major task.

• Comprises of several modules running as separate processes.

Where and How to obtain it
You can obtain the software from ftp.funet.fi
<ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/ham/unix/Linux/cluster>

There are five files that make up the package:

00Index
clx_206.tgz
clx.txt
README

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CLX (c) by Franta Bendl (DJ0ZY) and is available for non-commercial use, but the authors want to keep track of who is using their product, so before you can actually use the software you have to ask for an encrypted callsign string to be placed in the configuration file. You must send mail to clx_us@dl6rai.muc.de to organise this.

Contributed by
Bernhard ("Ben") Buettner, DL6RAI

5.16. DPTNT Terminal and DPBOX BBS package.

Author
Mark Wahl, DL4YBG, DL4YBG@DB0GR.#BLN.DEU.EU,

wahlm@berlin.snafu.de and Joachim Schurig, DL8HBS,
DL8HBS@DB0GR.#BLN.DEU.EU, h0187akk@rz.hu-berlin.de

Description
A suite of programs that provide BBS and Terminal programs for
Linux.

Status
Stable and working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
TNC supporting WA8DED hostmode or KISS protocols.

Detail
TNT is a full featured hostmode terminal program. Compiling it
on Linux is as difficult as untarring the source and typing
`make'. It provides both a `dumb' terminal and X11 version. It
comes with some comprehensive documentation which describes its
features in some detail. Its main features are:

Multiple sessions:
TNT supports multiple packet radio connections on virtual
screens that you can switch between. Each session window
provides split screen (seperate transmit and receive text)
operation with a status line. Commands can be entered in
either a command session, or in any terminal session using a
command key. Each of the virtual screens can be larger than
the physical screen and can be scrolled around.

Data capture, file transfer and logging:
A number of options are available for logging received text
to files. You can log transmit, receive or both to a log
file. You can overwrite or append received data to existing
files. You can use the `autobin' protocol to transmit or
receive binary files.

Remote Shell operation:
You can provide a shell to remote users so that they can
access other programs on your computer. You can also run a
program and direct its input/output to a channel so that
users can use it.

Redirection of devices to a channel:
TNT allows you to redirect input/output from a channel to a
device, a modem for example.

Umlaut conversion:
TNT provides umlaut conversion if necessary.

Remote mode:
Remote users can issue command themselves if allowed to do

so.

Socket mode:
You can configure tnt so that it opens a socket for users to telnet to that allows them operation just as you have from the console. This is useful where your linux machine is on an ethernet and you want other terminal on the net to have use of your radio.

New versions will support the Linux kernel AX.25 code.

DPBOX is a full featured BBS supporting the following features:

- F6FBB, W0RLI, TheBox style forwarding protocols.
- 8-bit transparent handling of messages using AutoBIN protocol.
- BBS data compressed to save space on disk, forwarding and downloading.
- "Live message capture" off BBS frequency, saves network traffic.
- PACSAT style bulletin broadcast transmitter and receiver.
- up to 200 simultaneous users.

Where and How to obtain it.
The `dptnt' package may be found at: ftp.funet.fi <ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/ham/unix/packet/dptnt/>, or ftp.tapr.org <ftp://ftp.tapr.org/pub/tapr/software_lib/Linux/>, or ftp.ucsd.edu <ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming/>.

The Home Pages of the developers are at: DL4YBG <http://www.snafu.de/~wahlm/> and DL8HBS <http://hppool0.rz.hu-berlin.de/~h0187akk/>

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The TNT and DPBOXT programs are covered by the GNU Public License. The TFKISS program is covered by ALAS (a german license for Amateur Radio use), and the DPBOX program is freely distributable for Amateur Radio use.

5.17. IPIP encapsulation daemon.

Name
Mike Westerhof's IPIP encapsulation daemon.

Author
Mike Westerhof KA9WSB (original code), then Bdale Garbee N3EUA (port to BSD), then Ron Atkinson N8FOW and John Paul Morrison (port to Linux), then Bdale rolled it all back together again.

Description
A daemon that will allow you to use your linux machine as an

IPIP encapsulating gateway. Note, this probably isn't necessary any more in most installations because recent kernel support a kernel device to perform encapsulation.

Status
Ron is running this code himself, and the other version have been run quite successfully.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
KISS TNC, any version of Linux supporting RAW sockets.

Detail
If you've ever used an internet gateway from your amateur packet radio you have probably been connected by an encapsulation gateway of some descpription. Most run KA9Q's NOS and DOS, but others run Unix and this daemon. It allows you to encapsulate IP within IP, so that you can 'tunnel' IP connections over the Internet. The software allows you to connect a KISS TNC to your linux machine and to have all datagrams received on it carried across the Internet to a similar gateway. Bdale has installation instructions in the package.

Where and How to obtain it.
This software is available from the col.hp.com <ftp:///col.hp.com/hamradio/packet/etc/ipip/ipip.tar.gz> ftp site.

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Freely distributable, though Bdale asks that if you use the code and like it you might send him a QSL card or a postcard.

Contributed by:
Ron Atkinson, N8FOW, and Bdale Garbee, N3EUA

Note:
You may want to consider using kernel based tunnel daemon now instead.

5.18. AXIP encapsulation daemon.

Name
Mike Westerhof's AXIP encapsulation daemon.

Author
Mike Westerhof KA9WSB, ported to Linux by Ron Atkinson N8FOW.

Description
A daemon that will allow you to use your linux machine as an AXIP encapsulating gateway.

Status
Not properly tested, but assumed to work ok.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
KISS TNC, any version of Linux supporting RAW sockets.

Detail
This daemon is the partner to the IPIP encapsulation daemon. It allows you to encapsulate AX.25 frames in IP to carry them across the Internet. This is useful for linking AX.25 networks in remote areas. Ron has supplied a Makefile for linux, and with it the software compiled without errors on my system running a recent version kernel. Ron has also written some README files which give you the detail necessary to compile the system and the original documentation describes how to configure it.

Where and How to obtain it.
This software is available in the sunsite.unc.edu ham apps directory <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/ax25ip.tar.gz>. An enhanced version of this software is included in recent versions of the Linux AX.25 utilities. Refer to the AX25-HOWTO <http://sunsite.unc.edu/LDP/HOWTO/AX25-HOWTO.html> for more information.

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Contributed by:
Ron Atkinson, N8FOW

5.19. Ping-Pong Convers Server

Name
Fred Baumgartens Convers Server for Linux.

Author
Fred Baumgarten, DC6IQ, dc6iq@insu1.etec.uni-karlsruhe.de, and Brian Lantz brian@lantz.com.

Description
This is a version of the convers server that allows multiple users to simultaneously chat with each other in a round-table style conversation. It is compatible with the NOS convers servers, but provides extra facilities such as saving/restoring of Personal Text and Chanel Topics. Brian Lantz has further enhanced the software with additional features.

Status
In use of a number of popular convers servers, appears very stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
Linux, GNU make, C compiler.

Detail.
Complete installation instructions are included in the INSTALL
file that is included in the distribution.

Where and How to obtain it.
A distribution of this software is available at sunsite.unc.edu
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/convers/>. The home of
the software is at insu1.etec.uni-karlsruhe.de ftp server
<ftp://insu1.etec.uni-karlsruhe.de/pub/hamradio/convers/convers>

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Presumably copyright Fred Baumgarten (not specifically stated),
but some portions appear to be free for non-commercial use and
copying provided the copyright notices stay intact.

5.20. RSPF Daemon

Name
RSPF - Radio Shortest Path First routing daemon for Linux

Author
Craig Small vk2xlz csmall@triode.apana.org.au

Description
An implementation of the Radio Shortest path First routing
protocol for linux. The daemon supports version 2.2 of the
protocol which corrects a lot of bugs and problems that were
present in version 2.1.

Status
Alpha - running, needs testing and bug reports. Current version
is 0.08

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
Requires Alan Cox's kernel based AX.25 code.

Detail
This program will allow Linux to become an RSPF router. It
addresses some of the quirks of RSPF v2.1, the version in NOS
which means that it is incompatible with the NOS version. It
will also allows remote/local queries via a tcp session for
debugging and diagnostic purposes.

Where and How to obtain it.
Current versions are always available from sunsite.unc.edu
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/> or ftp.ucsd.edu

<ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming> or from the
author.

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Contributed by:
Craig Small, VK2XLZ

5.21. Michael Westfall's TTYLINK Daemon

Name
ttylinkd - a ttylink daemon for Linux.

Author
Michael Westfall, N6KUY, mwestfal@.csci.csusb.edu

Description
A split screen terminal program that listens on the ttylink port
and accepts incoming connection requests.

Status
Seems to work fine.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
none special.

Detail
This is a standalone program that does require you to change the
configuration of your system at all. If you have root access on
your machine then you run the program in a VT or in an XTerm and
it will clear the screen and wait for an incoming connection on
port 87 (ttylink). When a connection is received it will provide
you with a split screen display with which to communicate with
the calling person.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain ttylinkd from: sunsite.unc.edu
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/ttylinkd.tgz> or
ftp.ucsd.edu
<ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming/ttylinkd.tgz>.

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Unknown, presumed freely distributable.

5.22. Craig Small's TTYLINK Daemon

Name
ttylinkd - a ttylink daemon for Linux.

Author
Craig Small, VK2XLZ, csmall@triode.apana.org.au

Description
A daemon to accept a ttylink (port 87) tcp/ip connection and convert it into a talk request for a user on the host machine. This may also be configured for use with the ax25d program so that AX.25 users may also make use of it to connect to you.

Status
Alpha, but working.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
Kernel networking support with AX.25 support if desired.

Detail
Because the talk protocol is a non-standard, that is it isn't actually defined anywhere (except the source), the ttylink protocol from NOS has become the defacto standard, at least for amateurs, to provide keyboard to keyboard communication over tcp/ip. This daemon fills the need for something to answer ttylink requests to linux machines.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the latest version of ttylinkd from:
sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/> or
ftp.ucsd.edu
<ftp://ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming>.

An slightly enhanced version of this software is now included in the Linux AX25 utilities package.

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6. Morse Code

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating Morse communication.

6.1. Pileup

Author
Richard Everitt G4ZFE richard@babbage.demon.co.uk. Based on sccw by Steve Merrifield.

Description
CW pileup training program

Status
v1.0. Stable but extra development planned.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Linux supported sound card

Detail
CW pileup trainer (similar to PED) based on sccw. Up to 9
stations calling at once with variable CW speed and tone/volume
to simulate a pileup. Callsigns are taken from the 1996 CQ WW
CW contest entry of M6A to add some realism.

I fed /usr/dict/words to the program and it was quite a chuckle.
So even if you aren't into Morse it is worth trying out just for
the giggle.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the pileup package from its home site at: Pileup
Home Page <http://www.babbage.demon.co.uk/pileup.html> or
sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>

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Contributed by
Richard Everitt G4ZFE richard@babbage.demon.co.uk.

6.2. bip

Author
Marcin Skubiszewski, Marcin.Skubiszewski@inria.fr. 24 rue de
l'Oasis, 92800 Puteaux, France

Description
A program to learn Morse code (for various Unix-like platforms)

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Status
Production release

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Works on many Unix-like systems, including Linux. On linux it
works with or without X11 or a Soundcard.

Detail
bip offers a very wide range of options that make it very
suitable as a code practice program. It can send text from text
file or random character groups but it has a range of other
features. Some of these are
```

- Morse compliant with ARRL specification
- adjustable volume and tone
- adjustable speed, including Farenheit method
- Jitter feature to simulate hand sent morse

```
Where and How to obtain it.
Not available online, but anyone can write to
Marcin.Skubiszewski@inria.fr for a copy of the source code.

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Shareware $10.

Contributed by
Marcin Skubiszewski, Marcin.Skubiszewski@inria.fr.

6.3. cw2hex
```

Author
G. Forrest Cook, WB0RIO, cook@stout.atd.ucar.edu

Description
cw2hex converts ascii text into Hex files for making keyer
EPROMS.
Status
version 1.1 is tested and ready to go.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
standalone textual program, requires gcc to compile

Detail
This program takes a textual input and converts it to morse
encoded characters in the form of a standard Intel HEX file. The
Hex file can be used to program an EPROM which can then be
connected to a simple circuit that generates canned messages.
Possible uses are CW calling machines and CW beacon transmitter
keyers. There is an accompanying schematic for a keyer circuit
that works with this software.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain cw2hex from www.atd.ucar.edu
<http://www.atd.ucar.edu/homes/cook/software.html>

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Contributed by:
G. Forrest Cook, WB0RIO

6.4. SoundCard CW

Author
Steve Merrifield, VK3ESM, sjm@ee.latrobe.edu.au

Description
Morse Code practice for Linux, using a soundcard

Status
Completed

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Linux supported soundcard with FM support.

Detail
This program generates morse code characters using the
soundcard. It does not rely on the Linux virtual console sound
features and may therefore be used either with X11 or from a
virtual console. Its features include:

- adjustable frequency
- adjustable volume
- adjustable speed
- adjustable delay
- adjustable group count
- generation of random groups
- able to decode and play text files

Where and How to obtain it.
The software may be obtained from its home site at:
livewire.ee.latrobe.edu.au
<http://livewire.ee.latrobe.edu.au/~sjm/morse>.

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long as credit is given to the original author.

Contributed by:
Steve Merrifield, VK3ESM

6.5. GW4PTS Morse trainer.

Author
Alan Cox, GW4PTS, alan@lxorguk.ukuu.org.uk

Description
A Morse Code trainer that uses the PC internal speaker

Status
stable, works quite well, unfinished.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Linux, any version

Detail
Alan wrote this small program in only an hour. It is quite neat,
and allows you to play morse at a range of speeds and
frequencies through the PC internal speaker. You can specify the
text to be played either from the command line, from a file, or
the program is capable of generating random character groups. As
it stands you must invoke the program from a Linux Virtual
Console, as it relies on certain kernel calls to produce the
sound, and these don't work as easily from an XTerm. As it
sounds each character it lists the character in verbal form (Di,
Dit, Dah etc.) to the screen. Alan is hoping that someone will
take the code and enhance it with the features he has listed in
the comments at the head of the source file.

Where and How to obtain it.
I've had a large number of responses from people seeking this code, so I've obtained Alan's permission to make it available. You can obtain it from sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/GW4PTS.morse.tar.z>.

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6.6. morse (aka superiormorse)

Author
Joe Dellinger, joe@sep.stanford.edu, jdellinger@trc.amoco.com, joe@soest.hawaii.edu

Description
A morse-code practice program for UNIX workstations.
Status
Quite stable

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
Currently supports X11, Sun4, HP, Indigo, and Linux

Detail
Lots of features and options. Includes a utility for generating random content QSOs, similar to those used in the FCC exams.

Where and How to obtain it:
morse.tar.gz can be obtained from: sepftp.standford.edu <ftp://sepftp.stanford.edu/pub/UNIX_utils/morse/>.

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Contributed by:
Brian Suggs, AC6GV, and John Gotts

7. AMTOR Software.

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating AMTOR.

8. PACTOR Software.

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating PACTOR.

9. Slow Scan Television Software.

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating Slow Scan Television.

10. Facsimile Software.

Software for use in conjunction with, or for facilitating Facsimile.

11. Design and Construction Software.

Software to assist in the design and construction of amateur radio related things. Antenna, Circuit Board, Filter, and QSL card design packages are all good candidates for this section.

11.1. oscope - Enhanced Software Oscillosope

Author
Tim Witham, twitham@pcocd2.intel.com

Description
`oscope' is a digital 44kHz oscilloscope for /dev/dsp. It is based on Jeff Tranter's original work described below but has been significantly enhanced.

Status
First production release.
Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Requires a kernel supported sound card that can do 8800Hz - 44kHz, the `libsx' package to build the xoscope X11 client, the `svgalib' package to build console-based oscope, the `g3vga' package to add console text, and a mixing program to select input source and level.

Detail
Includes oscope for SVGA console display and xoscope, an X11 client. Features include 8-bit sampling of 2 channels at 44kHz, 5 us/div to 5 ms/div time scale, 5 automatic measurements, built-in and external math functions including sum, diff, avg, and FFT, 26 memory buffers, 8 simultaneous signal displays, and file save/load.

Where and How to obtain it.
The oscope package may be obtained from either www.bobsplace.com <http://www.bobsplace.com/~twitham/> or sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/circuits/>.

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Contributed by:
Tim Witham

11.2. Software Oscilloscope

Author
Jeff Tranter, Jeff_Tranter@Mitel.COM

Description
Scope is a simple software emulation of an oscilloscope. It graphically displays voltage as a function of time.

Status
ALPHA. First release.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Sound card with input capability supported by the kernel sound driver. SVGALIB is used to do the display work.

Detail
Scope uses the /dev/dsp device to take audio in from the soundcard and displays it on the screen in a manner similar to an oscilloscope. Jeff claims Scope was written more for amusement value than for any serious purpose.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain source, makefile and man page for Scope in the scope package from: sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/circuits/>

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11.3. Printed Circuit Board design tool.

Author
Thomas Nau, Thomas.Nau@rz.uni-ulm.de

Description
An X11 based interactive printed circuit board design tool.

Status
Vers 1.4.1, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
X11 Windowing system and a recent flex program.

Detail
The pcb package comes with good instructions on how to compile and install the software. I compiled it without error under X11R6. It comes with package layouts for a range of popular components and the example layout nicely demonstrates the capabilities of the package.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the pcb package from: ftp.uni-ulm.de <ftp://ftp.uni-ulm.de/pub/pcb/current> or from: sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/circuits/>

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11.4. Chipmunk circuit design and simulation tool

Author
Dave Gillespie daveg@synaptics.com and John Lazzaro
lazzaro@cs.berkeley.edu

Description
Schematic Entry and Digital or Analog Simulation tool suite.

Status
vers 5.10, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
X11 windowing system and older (XFree86-2.x) libs, 8 bpp (256 color) only

Detail
I haven't tried this one out yet. It is a suite of tools for circuit design and simulation.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the Chipmunk package from its home site at www.pcmp.caltech.edu <http://www.pcmp.caltech.edu/chipmunk/>.

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11.5. irsim

Author
Dmitry Teytelman, dim@leland.stanford.edu

Description
An event-driven logic-level simulator for MOS circuits

Status
Version 9.2, production.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System Requirements
X-Windows.

Detail
irsim is an X11 based simulator for MOS circuits. It has two simulation modes, either switch where each transistor is modelled as a voltage controlled switch, or linear where each transistor is modelled as a resistor in series with a voltage controlled switch, and each node has a capacitance.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the irsim package from: sunsite.unc.edu
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/circuits/>.

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11.6. Spice vers. 3f4

Author
University of California, Berkeley, port by
Jeff@RyeHam.EE.Ryerson.Ca

Description
Spice is an analog circuit emulator.

Status
Stable release.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Unknown.

Detail
Spice allows you to design and test circuits in a computer
modelled environment to see how they will behave without having
to touch a soldering iron, or solder. A readme file comes with
the package. To install I did the following:

```
# cd /usr/src
# gzip -dc spice3f4.tar.gz | tar xvf -
# cd spice3f4
# ./utils/build linux
# ./utils/build linux install
```

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain version 3f4 of the spice package from:
sunsite.unc.edu
<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/circuits/spice3f4.tar.gz>

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redistributable provided you are not unfriendly to the U.S.

11.7. svgafft - Spectrum analyser

Author
Andrew Veliath, veliaa@rpi.edu

Description
svgafft is a spectrum analyser for Linux.

Status
Alpha, but usable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
F77, Linux supported sound card, svgalib, a 486DX33 or better.

Detail
svgafft uses the /dev/dsp device and currently supports 16-bit and 8-bit sample resolution on supported Linux soundcards. It's display is something akin to a high-end spectrum analyzer with falling peaks. Andrew is working on an X-Motif version to be released soon.

Where and How to obtain it:
You can find the svgafft package at tsx-11.mit.edu <ftp://tsx-11.mit.edu/pub/linux/ALPHA/svgafft/> and sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/sound/freqs/>.

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Contributed by:
Andrew Veliath

11.8. Audio Spectrum Analyser

Author
Philip VanBaren, phillipv@eecs.umich.edu

Description
An audio spectrum analyser for Linux SVGALIB or X-Windows.

Status
Alpha but usable

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Linux supported sound card, svgalib or X-Windows.

Detail
freq5a1 uses the /dev/dsp device, samples the incoming audio, performs a fast fourier transform on the data and displays the output in either 640x480 VGA or an X-Window.

Where and How to obtain it:
You can obtain freq5a1.tar.gz from: sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/sound/freqs/> or by mail from the author.

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11.9. ObjectProDSP

Author
Paul Budnik, Mountain Math Software, support@mtnmath.com

Description
ObjectProDSP is an object oriented tool for design, development and implementation of Digital Signal Processing. It allows you to design your DSP network, runs simulations with oscilloscope style plots and listings at any point in the network.

Status
Alpha version 0.2.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
XFree86 3.1.1 or better, g++ from gcc 2.6.3 or better, 32Mb of total memory (real+swap) recommended, 6Mb of disk space for minimum configuration, 40Mb disk for full installation.

Detail
There are a number of files that comprise the package. There is a binary only package for Linux which I recommend you start with. There is comprehensive documentation included from which you can obtain installation and operation instructions.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain ObjectProDSP from: sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/devel/opd>, tsx-11.mit.edu <ftp://tsx-11.mit.edu/pub/linux/packages/dsp>, or ftp.funet.fi <ftp://ftp.funet.fi/pub/Linux/util/electronics/opd>. There are a number of files that comprise the package, some of the quite large so be prepared.

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11.10. bpf - bandpass filter calculator

Author
G. Forrest Cook, WB0RIO, cook@stout.atd.ucar.edu

Description
bpf assists in the design of two pole bandpass filters.

Status
Stable.
Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
standalone textual program, requires gcc to compile

Detail
bpf is a simple text interface program that offers you a menu of

options of different ways of inputting design data. After you've entered the data it presents a text based circuit diagram and a list of the appropriate component values. It sounds simple, and it is, but it's also quite cute, and bound to be useful.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain bpf.tar.Z from www.atd.ucar.edu <http://www.atd.ucar.edu/homes/cook/software.html>

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12. Training/Educational Software.

Software to assist in education or training for amateur radio. Morse Code tutorials, technical examination database, Computer Based Training software, and the like are listed here.

13. Miscellaneous Software.

Software that didn't neatly fit into any other category.

13.1. twclock - World Time Clock for Hams

Author
Ted Williams, ted@bluestone.com

Description
A world clock designed for ham radio operators

Status
Version 1.0, stable.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Motif libraries if you want to recompile it. Just X11 if you want to run the precompiled binaries.

Detail
Anyone who needs the time of day someplace else in the world, or anyone tired of the same old look of their clock will find this software of interest. It is implemented with Motif widgets, and will displays the current time in major cities around the world.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the twclock package from sunsite.unc.edu <ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>.

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GNU GPL

13.2. Chirp - Contest Logger

Author
Kenneth E. Harker, N1PVB, kharker@cs.utexas.edu

Description
Contest logging program

Status
Active development

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
Requires ncurses library and header files to compile.

Detail
A linux based contest logging program. Kenneth is writing it so
he can use it on his laptop while working VHF contests. He is
also writing it as an excuse to learn ncurses programming. His
goal is a general purpose contest logger that a user can specify
new contests in as they come about. It supports all bands and
modes.

Where and How to obtain it.
When version 1.0 is available, you should be able to find it
from the Chirp Home Page
<http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/kharker/chirp/>

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Probably GNU GPL.

Contributed by
Kenneth E. Harker, N1PVB, kharker@cs.utexas.edu

13.3. Contest - Contest Logging Program

Author
Carsten Wilderotter, carsten.wilderotter@student.uni-ulm.de

Description
A logfile program for Contest operation

Status
Version 0.0.1, Alpha

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements
No special requirements.

Detail
Linux contest logging program.

Where and How to obtain it.
You can obtain the contest package from: sunsite.unc.edu

<ftp://sunsite.unc.edu/pub/Linux/apps/ham/>

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GNU GPL

13.4. Linux for HAMS CD-ROM

Author
Bruce Perens, bruce@pixar.com

Description
A complete linux distribution on CDROM specifically designed for Amateur Radio operators.

Status
Not yet available.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
Linux compatible hardware, some software will obviously require specialised hardware to operate. No additional software should be required.

Detail
A complete Linux distribution specifically catering for Amateur Radio operators. It will include a fully featured Linux installationplus a range of amateur radio specific software such as those listed in this document. Bruce has detail and updated status report available at the LinuxForHams WWW page <http://www.rahul.net/perens/LinuxForHams>. Bruce has been extremely busy with the Debian project and this has reduced his available time to just about zero. He does still intend to pursue this. Why don't you help out by maintaining one of the software packages as Debian packages ? More information from the Debian Web Site <http://www.debian.org/>.

Where and how to obtain it:
It isn't yet available, details will be made available when it is released.

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GNU Public License.

Contributed by:
Bruce Perens

13.5. SunClock

Author
John Mackin, john@cs.su.oz.AU

Description
A clock that will show you instantly what parts of the globe are

exposed by sunlight and what parts aren't.

Status
Released.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
X-Windows.

Detail
sunclock is another of those desktop gadgets that most people think look nice but really don't have a lot of use for. I use sunclock to obtain an at-a-glance indication of the time anywhere in the world. In its iconic form it sits in a small Mercator projection. When maximised it produces the same image but obviously larger with slightly more detail. It also displays the date, local time and UTC. sunclock actually calculates mathematically what parts of globe are sunlit and which aren't, it seems quite accurate, so long as you assume the earth has no atmosphere.

Where and How to obtain it.
I haven't seen any precompiled sunclock binaries for Linux about, so check your nearest archie server. sunclock compiled straight out of the box for me.

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13.6. Xearth

Author
Kirk Johnson, tuna@cag.lcs.mit.edu

Description
A rotating earth for X-windows root window. It has real life shading, and options for geostatic view, and non geostatic view. A prettier and more modern version of sunclock but requires a bit more processing power.

Status
Version 1.0.

Updated
01 Apr 97

System requirements.
X-Windows.

Detail
xearth is a sophisticated program which draws a colour picture

of the earth onto your X Windows display. It offers either an orthographic view as you would see from space or the map like mercator projection. You have a number of options in determining the behaviour of the view. The details are available from the xearth Home Page
<ttp://www.cs.colorado.edu/~tuna/xearth/index.html> and in the documentation which is supplied with the package.

Where and How to obtain it.
The source can be obtained from its home site at cag.lcs.mit.edu <ftp://cag.lcs.mit.edu/pub/tuna> or just about any X11/contrib directory.

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Contributed by:
Kirk Johnson

14. How to contribute or update an entry.

I'd like for this list to be as complete and up-to-date as possible. So I'm keen to hear about any developments or products that I don't already know about, or that the entry is obselete or outdated for.

What I'd like as a minimum set of requirement would be something like the following:

Name
The name of the software in question.

Author
Who wrote, or ported the software. An email address, or some other means of contacting them is also essential.

Description
A single line description of what the software does.

Status
An indication of the software's status. Is it still in testing? Is it a production release? Is it still in the design stage?

System requirements
What does the software require to run? Does it require X-Windows? Does it need a soundcard? Does it need a certain version of kernel? Does it need other software to support it?

Detail
I'm not keen on including a large amount of detail on each piece of software as this would consume a lot of time reading and trying to keep up to date. So instead what I'd like to list is

what makes this software unique, anything special about it.
Perhaps its most outstanding features, that sort of thing.

Where and How to obtain it.
If the software is freely distributable then ftp details would
be great. If it is commercial software then the name of the
company distributing the software, and an address or telephone
number. If it is available only by some other means, say mail
order, then details on where and how to obtain it.

Licensing/Copyright
Is the software Copyleft? Copyright? Shareware? Public Domain?
Restricted in use in any way?

Don't worry if you don't know all of these details, just send me what
you do know and I'll list what I can. I'd rather have an incomplete
listing than no listing at all.

Please mail any contributions to:

terry@perf.no.itg.telstra.com.au

I'd list a packet radio address too but I'm still not properly
operational again yet after moving house.

15. Discussion relating to Amateur Radio and Linux.

There are various places that discussion relating to Amateur Radio and
Linux take place. They take place in the comp.os.linux.* newsgroups,
they also take place on the linux-hams list on vger.rutgers.edu.
Other places where they are held include the tcp-group mailing list at
ucsd.edu (the home of amateur radio tcp/ip discussions).
To join the Linux linux-hams mail list, send mail to:

Majordomo@vger.rutgers.edu

with the line:

subscribe linux-hams

in the message body. The subject line is ignored.

To join the tcp-group send mail to:

listserver@ucsd.edu

with the line:

subscribe tcp-group

in the body of the text.

Note: Please remember that the tcp-group is primarily for discussion
of the use of advanced protocols, of which tcp/ip is one, in Amateur
Radio. Linux specific questions should not ordinarily go there.

16. Copyright.

The HAM-HOWTO, an introduction to Amateur Radio software available for Linux and information on how to configure some of it. Copyright (c) 1995,1996 Terry Dawson.

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-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
Version: 2.6.2
Comment: finger gregh@cc.gatech.edu for public key

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704. Radios For Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: michael.downing@lvvwd.com
Message-ID: <884151792.865271816@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.swap

Radio Shack pro-2006 Scanner 25-1300 Mhz with cell mod, antenna adapter, instructions and box. $295

Radio Shack DX-392 portable short wave receiver with programmable cassette, (same as Sangean 818cs), power supply, instructions, and box $169.

Uniden President 10M transceiver. SSB and AM xmit not working. FM and receiver fully functional. With microphone, brackets, and box. $50.00.

GE G-97 1939 console radio in blonde cabinet. Recapped and aligned working excellent. Cabinet is so-so. $295.

McIntosh MR-65B all tube FM tuner. Mint condition. Beautiful chrome. No cabinet. This is a bargain price for a McIntosh but I need money now! $325.

1940(?) Zenith console complete except for steering wheel. 8S something Not gone through or turned-on in 3 years. Cabinet needs refinish but no extensive damage. $125.

All Plus shipping cost from Las Vegas.

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http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

705. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steve Hanis <hanis@swbell.net>
Message-ID: <68v6lt$162$1@nnrp1.rcsntx.swbell.net>
Source record: 182246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Thier is a micro-slide switch behind the front pannel. Partialy lift the cover (be carefull of connecting wires going to th amplifier section). The swicth is on the right hand side, behind mode selector push butttons, on a vertical PC board, attached to the front pannel. Slide it over with a small screwdriver. 1.8 to 30 Mhz transmit.
Steve.

michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote in message
<884149523.801177606@dejanews.com>...
|Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
|frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
|the resonance points.
|
|--------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
| http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

706. Re: Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34eb1593.37202063@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182247

mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type accepted
>Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal.

No, it doesn't. Hams are allowed to modify their equipment.
Transmitting out of band is illegal, but you can cut all the wires and
solder all the connections you wish, and it's all legal.

>And using it to communicate with your buddies on
>the FRS is just as illegal as using that FT-101EEEEE(or whatever) you had back
>on 11m and above.

And probably just about as likely to get you in trouble. Not that I
advocate this, but let's be realistic, shall we?

>Hard to get rid of that scofflaw mentality, isn't it?

You've never broken a law in your whole life? It must be nice to be
perfect.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

707. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34ec1666.37413791@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182248

tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) wrote:

>
>
>>> Also, if you're not a member of the League, you have no standing to
>>> complain about it.
>>> --
>>> glenq@cyberhighway.net
>>> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM
>
>This is elitist spewage.

And that is meaningless flammage with no intelligent content. If you
wish to rebut my statements, please be a bit more specific.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

708. kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: andrewc@cyberdude.com
Message-ID: <884157016.983040019@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182249

I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can advise how, would be grateful.

Regards
Andrew.

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709. WARC mod ts830s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: andrewc@cyberdude.com
Message-ID: <884152113.851443725@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182250

I have a ts830 s manual with thi info if you need info.

rgards Andrew Curtis

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710. Re: 90s vocabulary

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd1nr@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <68v77c$b0t$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182251

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980104224014.29016A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
J. Herman <jherman@sierra.NET> wrote:
>Bill Sohl said: "I sure hope MD never has a job that requires him
>to interface with people..."
>
>Interface with people? Dang, Bill - is that like intercourse except
>you use your face?
>
>Hey MD, make sure you practice safe interface - we don't want you getting
>acne...

Hey! Be nice to MD. Contrary to what one might think of his online
persona he's actually a nice guy in real life. But I do tend to agree with
many of the statements he makes in this newsgroup.

Tony

--
-- Tony Pelliccio, KD1NR
-- kd1nr@anomaly.ideamation.com
-- Boston has the combat zone, Providence *IS* an erogenous zone.

711. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
Message-ID: <68vjic$l1h$1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 182252
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
>
> Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> the resonance points.
>
> --------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

Boy, that's a good one....

73,

<<< DAN >>>

712. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b371d3.899442@news.total.net>
Source record: 182253
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 17:48:35 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler)
wrote:

>You will find that CW is allowed on every amateur band including 10 mhz.

>This is one good reason for not allowing no coders to operate anywhere.

huh ? non sense. Voice is allowed every amateur band except 10
MHz so why not allow then operations except 10 MHz ?? same
argument.

>But we decided to cut them a break and let them use the repeater anyway.

and you don't realize VHF and UHF stuffs are much cheaper because of
it...

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
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Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

713. Re: In remembrance of MORSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Morse <kfmorse@ha.hac.com>
Message-ID: <34B37930.A9515728@ha.hac.com>
Source record: 182254
Cross-posted to: bit.listserv.c370-l,rec.radio.amateur.misc,comp.lang.c

Michel Castelein wrote:

> /* This C program runs in MS-DOS, in remembrance of MORSE,
> officially deceased the 1 January 1998. */

> ....

> Michel Castelein
> former Radio Officer
> (Merchant fleet/ H.R.N.S.-Brussels 34th promotion)
>
> Michel Castelein, OS/390 (MVS) System Engineer & Education Consultant
> E-mail MichelC@Jeeves.be Home page
> http://www.club.innet.be/~pub00543/
> Company: JEEVES CONSULTING N.V. (phone +32-2-2516650 / fax
> +32-2-2525755)

Hate to disappoint y'all.....but this Morse is alive and well!

I figured if the discussion on this topic could reach such 'depth' and
frivolity, I could put my two cents in also.

Ciao!

Kevin Morse
kfmorse@hacemx.hac.com

714. Re: Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <spam@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34B37AA5.E815EB0C@shore.net>
Source record: 182255

> mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>
> >Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type accepted
> >Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal.

Would you mind telling me what non-type acceptance means since there is no type acceptance for amateur radio equipment? Hmmmm? I don't want to alarm you but your ignorance is showing.--
j:) -=wk1v=-

715. Re: You know you might be a Ham when...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Ellis <mellis@pica.army.mil>
Message-ID: <EMF03u.C03@pica.army.mil>
Source record: 182256

Have your 4 year old move the period one character over so it's
http://surf.to/ham.radio
and watch it connect. I think the ".to" is the country of Tonga that is
making a few bucks
by selling addresses.

Basically it's a re-direct service to
http://www.qni.com/~kg0zz/amateur_radio/clipart.htm

----mark n2wzb

Larry Ewan wrote in message <34aafda0.4603066@news.digital.net>...
>On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 14:36:43 GMT, helmsman wroth:
>
>>cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>
>>>On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 18:51:27 -0800, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com>
>>>wrote:
>>>
>>>>Visit http://sur.fto/ham.radio
>>>
>>>>(WoW! That's any easy URL to remember!)
>>>
>>>>KG0ZZ
>>>
>>>easy URL to remember, but I can't connect.
>>
>>Same here!
>>
>Hope you guys are generals or above - my four year old can tell that
>that is a bogus URL. You both fell right into his trap!

716. Re: Ts 820 PLL HELP!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Ellis <mellis@pica.army.mil>
Message-ID: <EMF0DI.C3t@pica.army.mil>
Source record: 182257

On my ts820 the display was operating intermittently. From a source
(I forget where) I learned that sometimes the soldering of the DIP ICs
inside the DG1 is lacking. I examined all the solder joints and touched up
any that looked suspicious. Worked fine after that. Good luck.

---Mark n2wzb

WB9IOG wrote in message <34AA0494.479D@REVEALED.NET>...
>Greg wrote:
>>
>> The digital readout is not working in my TS 820s. Has Anyone had this
>> problem? Any suggestions?
>> Thanks Greg
>Greg
>There are a number of items possibly wrong.
>1. Check the voltages to the DG 1 unit
>2. Check the plugs for dirt-clean anyway.
>3. Does the VFO operate properly? If not that contributes.
>
>Do you have any response on the tube?
>Mike

717. Re: It sounds to me like radio enthusiats.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B39E89.333D@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182258
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:>
> >Using packet, I could send you the complete works of Shakespeare
> >in a couple hours, 100% error free, what you get will be an exact copy of what
> >I have....Try that with CW, how long will it take?
>
> I've never tried, but in the amount of time it will take you to send me
> the complete works of Shakespeare over packet, I can drive to Boston, buy
> it at a bookstore, drive home, and be half-way finished reading my new book.
>
> MD
> --
> -

By the time he has finished sending Shakespeare on packet, you could probably WALK to Boston, buy the book, walk home and be half finished reading it. And you would have a complete copy, we don't know of any way to be sure what he'd have without trying it.

That's largely the problem with the complex digital systems, they work fine in theory, and sometimes even in real life, but they often become musclebound by their own overhead and the very involved complexity of their overall systems, forcing serious delays or even non-communication. One-on-one, station to station, he could probably do it without problem if everthing was "optimal". If there was a digipeter network involved with all the usual forewarding, BBS etc garbage, not a chance. Maybe on PACTOR or CLOVER. Maybe.

If the real life implementations of the advanced Amateur digital modes worked as well as the theory says they should, we would *really* be impressed. The Maritime GMDSS system is supposed to be perfect, too, but you know that story already.

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and help destroy Ham Radio!****

718. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Reichow <gjr1@po17.rv.unisys.com>
Message-ID: <34B3BCB8.715C@po17.rv.unisys.com>
Source record: 182259
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
>
> >> No code license allowed you to use 21 MHz and 28 MHz.
> >> All the other amateur bands required to have morse.
>
> >And what a sorry mess that turned into!
>
> >Operator licenses are good for life and never expire.
>
> >(Station licenses are good only for 5 years and must be renewed.)
>
> >Of this large number, 92% of the operators hold only an entry class
> >license, are limited to 10W HF, are prohibited from some modes,
> >and are denied permission to operate on 17, 20, or 30 meters.
>
> Well you gotta admit, Hans, the JA system is good for one thing.
> 2500 Q's during CQWW SSB on 15 meters.....
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

Jim,
And on the other hand, you will probably
get 2500 JA QSL cards because they are such
good QSL'ers (and I might add good ops as well)
73 - Gary KN0V

719. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6908fc$cr6@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182260

glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:
>>>> Also, if you're not a member of the League, you have no standing to
>>>> complain about it.
>>>> glenq@cyberhighway.net
>>>> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

To which tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) wrote:
>>This is elitist spewage.

>And that is meaningless flammage with no intelligent content. If you
>wish to rebut my statements, please be a bit more specific.
>glenq@cyberhighway.net

Glenn is essentially correct. While I respect anyone's
individual right to complain about the ARRL, even if not
a member, the words and opinions of non-members hold
far less weight in my mind then does the opinions of
members who are involved and actively working for
change. Kinda like those that don't vote in elections
and then bitch about those elected.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

720. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B3A4EF.C6363357@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182261

CBRambo wrote:

> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the all-important Morse
> code
> examination. Unlike you and others like you who continue to stick their
> heads
> in the sand, however, I realize that continuing the requirement in 1998 does
>
> nothing to help...and in fact is hurting amateur radio.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Now Now little boy it's not nice to tell tall tales. Why don't you stop
using mommy's computer and go back to watching cartoons.

You don't even have the guts to use a real name and stand behind what you
say. Nobody is going to believe you CB.
Stick with CB. You don't really have what it takes to be a ham.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

721. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B3A89A.1BB47305@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182262

CBRambo wrote:

>
>
> I said "WITHIN LEGAL PARAMETERS, OF COURSE"
> Again, if someone passes the tests and is issued a license, they have the
> LEGAL
> RIGHT to use their radio for any legally-permitted purpose, as specified in
> the
> FCC rules and regulations.

So what's your problem little boy?

1. Learn the code
2. Study hard.
3. Pass the test

Then you can come and play with the big people.

> I will use any open autopatch I damn
> well please.

First I suggest you get a license little one. Now, don't go telling us big stories of how you have one because if you did you would not have to be using CB.

> If it's NOT your repeater, than you really don't have anything to say about
> the
> matter.

And if you don't have what it takes to pass the test and get a license then you don't have anything to say about the matter.

> Karma, my friend. Wait
> and see...

Hey, it could be that you are paying off old karma by having to be a useless wannabe troll.

Watch out. My karma may run over your dogma.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

722. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B3AAD5.EFF7A82A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182263

CBRambo wrote:

> The words of a bitter old man and a card-carrying "code at any cost to the
> hobby" member of the ARRL.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

The words of a cry-baby wannabe troll who just does not have what it takes
to be a ham. Stick with CB and get off of mommy's computer little boy.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

723. Question: Repeater control operator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107163901.LAA20324@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182264

I'm considering building my own repeater split site system.
Question: Can I house the other half of the split site at a NOT yet FCC licensed individual's house?

I am the control operator, right? Or do we share that responsibility?

-Jeremy
KF4RTY

724. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jack Daniel <jdaniel@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B3AF61.18D8@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182265
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Joseph wrote:
>
> Many radios can do this.
> Easily.
> I cut a green wire on my Yaesu FT-530, and it receives cellphones. I did
> it mainly for the out-of-band transmit on UHF, because the radio, when at
> lowest power, puts out legal power in the FRS frequencies, so i can talk
> to my friends who have FRS radios.

Surely you know that, in the U.S., TRANSMITTING on a radio that is not approved by the FCC for that specific radio service is illegal. Just because a radio is approved for ham use does NOT automatically make it legal for any other radio service, including FRS. You may verify this with Yeasu.

Just a hint that you may want to be more careful about including your name, etc. when you may be violating a law.

> That turned out to be kind of a waste
> though, so i just left it modified for the sake of not opening it back up
> and fumbling with rediculously small wires.
> So yes, for a FACT some FT-530s (later models had some components changed
> and may not be able to get cellphones though...) do this, and many
> scanners do, and i've seen an alinco, and an icom do the same. I'm sure
> that there are many others.
>
> Even though the US is the only country I know of to fight for the right of
> other countries to be able to listen to any radio they wish and then a few
> years down the road, turn around and make it illegal in our own country, I
> think many people can and do listen to cellphones... I tried to see if the
> mod sheet i followed was correct. But seriously, who would care to listen
> to a bunch of "hi hon, i'm on my way home, do we need milk?"
> conversations? Sorry, but even though my rig does it, i'll stick to
> scanning the police freqs, weather freqs, FRS freqs, and of course, the
> Ham freqs..
>
> Eavesdropping just doesn't seem "right..."
>
> ;)
>
> -joseph
>
> --

> Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
> Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
> email: n8ouz@usa.net
> WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz

725. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B3AD95.7D108741@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182266
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> scan CB freqs. there aren't as many as activities it used to be.
>
>

Well CB (cutie boy), that should leave plenty of room for you and little cb
spambo.73
Mark
WA0DCA

> ATTENTION: Je n'achèterai pas ou réponse aucun produit des CÉS non
> sollicités!!

ATTENTION CB: Fac ut gaudeam.

726. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Cummings <ve3xj@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <34B3D6F6.3F60@rac.ca>
Source record: 182267
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dan Finn wrote:
>
> Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:
>
> >....a 3000 ton Bahamas-registered ship
> > used
> > it to call for help 790 miles west of Ireland.
> >
> > The SOS signal and official use of Morse Code was formally scrapped
> > worldwide at midnight.
> >

The originating newpaper article is wrong on this point. The officical use
of Morse code was foramlly scrapped in the UK at that time, the world wide
demise of CW isn't until 01 Feb 99.

>
> But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate?

Probably because the equipment was not installed on the vessel. Finn seems
to be ignorant of the fact that existing vessels with Morse code capabilities
are allowed to do so until 31 Mar 99.

> Clover
> should have worked (provided someone else who also had Clover
> capabilities had made an appointment for the emergency qso). RTTY should
> have worked. Or packet. Heck, the message would have made it that
> distance within 3-4 days, provided there were with VHF range of a packet
> station.

A ship equipped for GMDSS operation would not use any of those modes of
communication because those modes are not used within GMDSS. Therefore, the
rhetorical question is moot.

> Or satellite or voice or something...why did they have to use
> CW to get saved???

Probably because the ship owner is waiting to the very last moment before
equipping the vessel with a modern communications, jeopardizing the lives
of the crews due to the lack of coasts stations with CW capabilities.

> Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?
>

What an outrageous notion....

> Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
>

Why?

> KR4AJ

73 and live better digitally
Jim, VE3XJ

727. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b3b639.49180883@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182268
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 13:28:03 -0800, kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net> wrote:
>How does a year in the slammer sound???

In Portugal? The US is not the world, you know.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

728. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b3b766.49482428@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182269
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 23:49:32 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
>iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:
>
> what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
>> > by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
>> > something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
>> > the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...
>> >
>> > --
>> > William Lee N5WRX
>>
>> Is wire telegraphy limited to those characters, then? Since the
>> telegraph clicks, how are dashes differentiated from dits?
>
>
>Wire telegraph operators copied the spaces between the clicks.
>Long space=dash, short space=dot. If you thing beeping is hard, try
>that.

If that was what they did, then it would be hard. There would be no way
to distinguish between a dot and an intracharacter space. They'd be
equally spaced clicks. Fortunately, that isn't how wireline telegraphy
worked. The sounder makes distinctly different sounds for key down
and key up, so both the location and direction of the timing edges can
be easily recovered. Any interval that begins with a key down click must
be a voiced symbol, and any interval that begins with a key up clack must
be an unvoiced symbol. Thus all 5 symbols used by Morse can be properly
decoded via sounder.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
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729. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b3ba4c.50223661@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182270
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 00:54:38 -0800, "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net> wrote:
>Michelle,
> I'm only an electronics hobbyist, so I may ask stupid Questions. I'm at
>a loss why the RF generated by a microwave oven would even be
>"modulated". Could you explain further?, What information is being
>carried by a modulated microwave oven?. I always understood RF signals
>are modulated because of the fact that a pure continuous AC signal
>cannot convey information. Thanks
>
>--
>73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
>near Plainville, KS
>dougy@ruraltel.net

Right you are, microwave oven magnetrons aren't operated in pulsed mode.
They are operated in CW mode (magnetrons *can* be operated in pulse mode,
but those in microwave ovens aren't). When reduced output is required, they
are cycled on and off, but this isn't what would normally be considered pulse
modulation since the cycle times are measured in seconds.

One can modulate a microwave oven magnetron, however. It is possible
to injection lock the magnetron to an external reference. If you FM modulate
that reference, the maggie will follow it. So you can get several hundred
watts of FM modulated RF from the maggie that way.

Gary

>==========
>Christina Michelle Hunt wrote;
>
>>
>> In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
>> >
>> >>
>> >> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
>> >> wrote:
>> >>
>> >> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
>> oven already
>> >> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
>> public seems
>> >> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
>> decades, in spite
>> >> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).

>> >
>> > Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
>> >while its operating?
>>
>> I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave
>> ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that
>> "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure
>> for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you
>> using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter,
>> are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating
>> something you read somewhere?
>>
>> I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any
>> technical basis.
>>
>> Michelle Hunt
>> Michell5@ix.netcom.com
>

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730. I sell Big Amplifier & Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Sandro <s.rovatti@rsadvnet.it>
Message-ID: <690e69$h86@server-b.cs.interbusiness.it>
Source record: 182271
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,it.hobby.elettronica,it.hobby.radioamatori,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I sell the following amplifiers HF, all under perfect conditions.
Ampli Collins 208U10, autotuning 2-30 Mhz, 10 Kw continues, with exciter Redifon/Harris.
4 Antennas Log periodic 2-30 Mhz 10-50 kw.
I have cable, connectrors, end more.
They take an interest you write me.

731. Re: Taking away Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <690fia$8l0$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182272

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CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com> wrote:
> User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> writes:
> : iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:
> : > (Top Dog) wrote:
> : > >

> : > > I personally know several xclass ops and none of them
> : > > use code by hand but by computer and they type in the message
> : > > and the pc send the code for them and the guy on the other end
> : > > recieves the code and his pc spits out words so why learn the code if the
> : > > computer knows how to?

> : Because the computer is an unintelligent moron. A good chops is a real
> : people-person. I would much rather talk to the chops than the computer.

> Then how can you stand usenet, or the internet for that matter?

Easy..... the internet is a store and forward device for the exchange of
letters. I can talk chat with you sometimes maybe, but almost all of the
internet is based on information store and forward, not real time talking
or creative exchange of ideas, etc. As a letter typer and mailer, it
is great. It lacks any personality, though, and restricts one to what
one can inflect via writing only. Direct ``fisting'' on the ham radio
can inflect all sorts of nuances, just like in normal speech, if you care
to listen. Entirely different, conceptually.

> : If I want computers, I can use the internet.

> Computers help design cars and homes, they help keep your utilities and
> bank account in order...and they can also help you send CW. They're only
> communications tools in that sense. Why don't you want to use them?
> Heck, I always thought that "talking" to someone by beeping at them was
> impersonal enough, and here you are saying that you'd rather "talk" to
> someone using manual beeping rather than machine-assisted beeping.

Computers do wonderful things for society, and are great working tools.
Computers get monotonous. I can say that from building and using them
since the punch card era (almost 30 years now). Try as we may, with
all the intelligence we can cram into them, they don't hold a candle
to a real body with a real brain exhanging ideas. But, they make great
calculators, writing machines, game toys, pipes to here and there,
storage devices, fancy printers, etc., as dumb tools for daily use.
To that extent, I have half a dozen unix boxes in the office and lab,
and an equivalent number at home.... so what. As machines to send CW,
they are great at that, with good programming, but still can't even begin
to handle the simple nuance of a laugh at QRQ, a CFO cluck, the tension
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of an operator about to lose his life at sea, etc. I know by the sound of particular sending devices WHO is aboard for the watch, and computer keyboards just can't do that. That nuance alone tells me much information about who is around, and who might be interesting to talk to, tonite, an immediate insight into his age, and experience, and even what kind of equipment or station he has. I don't even have to know the callsign to read that from how the code is sent by him. Computers can't do that.

That is why computer CW is nice, but second class, at best, to the real thing --- a good hand morse operator.

> CrACKeD <cracked@primenet.com>

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

732. FT990 AC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: sxynell@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107202801.PAA14298@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182273

FT990 AC w/Sp 6 Speaker Hand Mike MH-1b8, Operating manual
like new condition. Non Smoker. For $1300. Frim No Trade
You Paid For S+H

Just E-mail Me
73

733. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: "C.A.S." <aaaadeletethis@topher.net>
Message-ID: <34B3E3B9.4F8E@topher.net>
Source record: 182274
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Andy writes:

I am under the impression that the maggies in a microwave oven
are driven by half-wave rectified 60 hz, transformed up to a
multi-KV value. That would make them "sort of " pulse
modulated, turning them on and off with a half sine wave
--- on for 8 ms and off for 8ms. Also the half sine B+
would creat amplitude and freq/phase modulation as well,
all at the same time.

Which doesn't affect the intended purpose -- cooking.

I've never seen a regulated HV power supply in a microwave
oven, just a step up transformer and a half wave rectifier.

Andy in Dallas w4oah

Gary Coffman wrote:
>
> On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 00:54:38 -0800, "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net> wrote:
> >Michelle,
> > I'm only an electronics hobbyist, so I may ask stupid Questions. I'm at
> >a loss why the RF generated by a microwave oven would even be
> >"modulated". Could you explain further?, What information is being
> >carried by a modulated microwave oven?. I always understood RF signals
> >are modulated because of the fact that a pure continuous AC signal
> >cannot convey information. Thanks
> >
> >--
> >73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
> >near Plainville, KS
> >dougy@ruraltel.net
>
> Right you are, microwave oven magnetrons aren't operated in pulsed mode.
> They are operated in CW mode (magnetrons *can* be operated in pulse mode,
> but those in microwave ovens aren't). When reduced output is required, they
> are cycled on and off, but this isn't what would normally be considered pulse
> modulation since the cycle times are measured in seconds.
>
> One can modulate a microwave oven magnetron, however. It is possible
> to injection lock the magnetron to an external reference. If you FM modulate
> that reference, the maggie will follow it. So you can get several hundred
> watts of FM modulated RF from the maggie that way.
>
> Gary

>
> >==
> >Christina Michelle Hunt wrote;
> >
> >>
> >> In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
> >> >
> >> >>
> >> >> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
> >> >> wrote:
> >> >>
> >> >> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
> >> oven already
> >> >> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
> >> public seems
> >> >> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
> >> decades, in spite
> >> >> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
> >> >
> >> > Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
> >> >while its operating?
> >> >>
> >> I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave
> >> ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that
> >> "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure
> >> for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you
> >> using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter,
> >> are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating
> >> something you read somewhere?
> >>
> >> I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any
> >> technical basis.
> >>
> >> Michelle Hunt
> >> Michell5@ix.netcom.com
> >
>
> Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
> 534 Shannon Way | We break it |
> Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

734. AlinKenYaeCom vs. Ten-Tec stuff

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <690rh9$p81$1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 182275

>> You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio
>> sets can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore. The designers
>> don't have a clue of what it is all about --- they may have the
>> brains and the fancy Ph.D's, EE's or whatever, but they can't seem
>> to manage good QSK, compared to the Ten-Tec crew at a practical
>> level. I have always wondered why......
>
>REPLY...
>
> I won't dispute that Bob. It is probably far better for someone with
>actual experience to design the radio. But the bigger companies are
>building radios to be used all over the radio spectrum.
>
> For these companies, the Amateur radio market is only a tiny part of
>their business. And because it is such a small part of their business,
>it is unlikely that they would go out of their way to hire engineers
>with Amateur experience. That is not an excuse, only a fact.
>
> But, in spite of that, you still have to give the "Kenicoyasawhooie"
>companies some credit. They are sticking with ham radio, even if it is
>not that large of a market. And they are building decent radios, even
>if they are not the very best designed radios. And, if you shop around
>enough, you can find a few sweet apples in the lackluster
>"Kenicoyasawhooie" orchard.
>
> By the way, I like Carl R. Stevenson's "YaesIcoWood" better than
>"Kenicoyasawhooie." Although "Kenicoyasawhooie" is not bad.
>
>Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

Actually, Ten-Tec has made VHF stuff in the past, and sells a line
of kit FM and allmode transverter kits for 2m and 6m.

They also make HF and other radios for the military. Most of
the people who work for TT are hams.
--
* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 82 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
*** W3EAX - U of MD ARA / Laurel ARC / ARRL Life Member / MD MW **
*** 301-549-1022 h 301-982-1015 w *** 35 wpm HF mobile CW Neon ***

735. Motorola HT50 Portables for Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: gowens@telemail.net
Message-ID: <884210774.531169283@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182276
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Motorola Portable Radios For Sale

Package includes
2 - Motorola HT50 portable radios
1 - Desktop Rapid Charger

These walkie-talkies are typical HEAVY DUTY Motorola quality.

FEATURES:
- Both have new antennas and batteries.
- Frequency: 457.5625Mhz
- Low/High power switch
- Connector for optional accessories (lapel mic, earphone, etc.)
- Heavy duty construction

Great for hunting and other outdoor (or indoor) activities.

Sale Price - $250 obo

If interested please contact Gregg Owens at;
(W)703-689-5013
(H)703-450-3809
Email gowens@telemail.net

----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

736. FS: Icom 2410-H (see text)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: bogus@fake.com
Message-ID: <690vur$keq@camel18.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182277

For Sale: Icom 2410-H 2/440 with extended recieve and transmit,
this radio is mint condition with all the papers.
also has the voice boards and other options.
$325.00 firm email me lets talk. 73
kf4jzh@mindspring.com

737. CDE AR-44 rotor

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: bogus@fake.com
Message-ID: <6910d4$p9k@camel19.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182278

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CDE AR-44 rotor with degree control box,
completely rebuilt in mint cond with all the paper work.
$125.00 negotiable 73
email me at :kf4jzh@mindspring.com
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738. Re: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6912gf$l2m@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 09:38:51 -0600, John Miles
<jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net> posted:

>And this has what to do with homebrewing...? Please take it to email,
>children.

IMO, you (plus "I" and "we") wouldn't have this problem if Mr. Kehler (who
seems to complain about everybody else's postings) would restrict follow-ups and
original posts to r.r.a.p.: Methinks he's attempting to get Carl in trouble
again. =0)

>
>-- jm
>
>
>Jim Kehler wrote:

[Kehler babble snipped]

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from KA9HRT (not K9HRT) [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]
Visit the NCI WWW site: http://www.nocode.org
Join today--help assure fair Amateur Radio license testing tomorrow!
(NOTE: Remove "NO" and "SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

739. Re: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6912go$l2m@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

On Mon, 05 Jan 1998 22:02:55 GMT, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) posted:

[snipped Carl's good stuff + opposing babble]

>
>Our friend Masa is the town clown, the local jerk, the fool - if we teach him
>a few more bad words in English, he may even become world class, like you.

Let's see how well you do on your own in outer Rangoon, KemoSabe .... ;0)

>Masa would still be the town clown if he could copy Morse code at 50 wpm.

Are you kidding? He'd be embraced by the pro-code zealots as a god!

>He enjoys playing the fool ...

How do you know? Have you asked him lately?

> ... - the difference between you and Masa is he
>realizes he's a fool. ...

You claim Mr. Masa is a fool, and you claim Mr. Masa knows this:
1.) You seem to make the claim simply on the basis of Mr. Masa's
(in your view) clumsiness with language, and apparently for no other
reason.
2.) Again, has Mr. Masa communicated to you this supposed "realization"?
3.) IMO, the one who appears to be the "fool," the "jerk," and the "town
clown" is the brash, snootishly arrogant one who makes those claims
for others not like, or perhaps "as good" as himself. ;0)

> ... You could turn a church sermon into a no code debate,
>Squiggy.

If the sermon were on equality, fairness, and level playing fields, I'd say
Carl would be close in using this debate as an analogy. Of course, let's not
forget the main reason for the "church sermon," assuming the "church" you refer
to is non-Morseodist.
Now if the "church" is Morseodist, I'd say Carl would definitely turn the
sermon into a debate ... and probably get bodily thrown out the front door as
well! ;0)

>
>You aren't interested in ham radio - you are only interested in making noise.

IMO, there are many aspects to ham radio, even yours -- Belittling the
efforts of those who attempt to make Amateur Radio better, even if only in a
small way.

>
>You are bitter because you haven't gotten anything out of ham radio because
>you haven't put anything in to it. You are very confused.

It seems apparent that you don't read much, or at a minimum, do not
comprehend at all well what you read : Carl has many times referred to and
narrated his experiences in Amateur Radio, which, as I (and most people)
intrepret them, have brought and continue to bring much satisfaction his way.
IMO, it is someone else who is confused -- not to mention brash, arrogant,
holier/better-than-thou, and (not in the least) more perfect.

>
>Let's look at a few things you have said recently:
>
>First, you told somebody:
>
>>Message-ID: <01bd10ca$2914a920$0100005a@wa6vse>
>
>>Yeah ... join No Code International (http://www.nocode.org) rather than
>>sending your money to Oldington so they can use it to lobby AGAINST your
>>interests and keep ham radio stagnated in the past.
>
>Then you turn around and say:
>
>>Message-ID: <01bd0f4c$55535e20$0100005a@wa6vse>
>
>>I've been a dues-paying member of the ARRL since at least 1975, with only a
>>brief lapse in membership while I was out of the country and didn't get a
>>renewal notice.
>
>So what is it Sqiggy, are you suffering from a split personality, or are you
>paying the ARRL 'to lobby AGAINST your interests' one day and then advising
>somebody else NOT to do the same the next day?

I believe the references detailing WHY Carl maintains membership have been
apprently most conveniently omitted. This opens the way for contextual and
content meaning obfuscation by saying the following:

>
>I guess the ARRL is OK for you but not for anybody else. Kinda like CW tests
>are OK for me but not for you, right ?
>
>Kinda looks to me like you are playing both sides of the fence here Squiggy, and
>hoping the fence will cave in......

Not born out by perusal of DejaNews: Try it ... check yourself out as well:
Ain't DejaNews a bitch? ;0)

>
>Before you bother to spend an hour trying to type out some explaination for the
>above, remeber that you you also said:
^^^^^^^ ^^^^^^^

Getting a bit emotional, apparently ...

>
>>Message-ID: <01bd1924$82019220$0100005a@wa6vse>
>
>>The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.

Everybody has an opinion. Even you -- though I disagree with most of yours.

>
>>they are just a bunch of mealy-mouthed, weasle-worded
>>politicians ... comparable in ethics and credibility to Bill Clinton,
>>who is unquestionably the most corrupt, scumbag president since LBJ.

More personal opinion. Personally, I think most people who rise to offices
of great "power" are tempted by the "siren song" of the "power" of the office:
The amount to which most succumb, if at all, is simply a matter of degree.

>
>The ARRL is ham radio's worst enemy.... so you have been sending them money
>for 22 years to support the cause - your REAL cause - you want ham radio to
>go away. Mealy mouthed, weasle-worded politicians, whom you have supported
>for the last 22 years by sending them money.....
>
>I don't think you are a hundred percent correct in that last quote, Squiggy. I
>think people like YOU are ham radios worst enemy. You're like the 4 year old
>kid whose ice cream fell on the floor - first thing you want to do is grab the
>other kids ice cream and throw it on the floor - if you can't have any, then you
>don't want anybody else to have any either.

Wow: THAT sounds exactly like the pro-coder attitude to me! =0)

>
>You have been a technician class ham radio operator for 25+ years. Nothing
>about ham radio ever excited you, intrigued you, got you interested. ...

Your assumption/assertion: Perusal of past WA6VSE posts/follow-ups indicates
otherwise.

> ... But you
>did notice along the way that other people in ham radio were having a lot more
>'fun' than you were, and that pissed you off.

Your words: Can they be substantiated? Or are you simply attempting to
start the new year off with a bang by laying a massive troll in front of Carl?

>
>So then along came the no code tech license, no code international, usenet, and
>there you were, pissed off, just waiting to jump on the band wagon and see if
>you could help flush the toilet. ...

Well, ya gotta admit, flushing the mandatory Morse code test down the toilet
ain't such a bad idea -- at least not in my book! =0)

> ... You always wanted to be a HERO instead of a
>ZERO, so here you are typing, in hopes of confusing the sheep.

Excuse me? Who's confusing? It seems to me one of the master obfuscators is
at work here -- and I don't mean Carl or myself. ;0)

>
>You have ZERO excuse for being a tech, Squiggy. ...

Slamming the techs again: Tsk, tsk. I'm a Tech+ and I feel fine .... =0)
What is so satisfactory, important or meaningful about being able to beep
fast -- simply from the regulatory point of view? Beeping fast, IMNSHO, falls
into the same category as contesting, DXing, ATVing, QRPing, DIGITALing, et al,
i.e. from the regulatory standpoint, there is NO justification for testing --
other than for knowledge of technical aspects, what other mode/coding/decoding
scheme is tested for? From the personal and operational standpoint, there is
EVERY justification for usage, development and implementation.
And, where in Part 97 is it written that one must upgrade? I believe that
requirement was dropped some time ago -- though IMO there are still those who
think that's the way things STILL work (or at least wish they did) -- they
cannot -- nay, WILL NOT -- get out of the stagnating swamp of status quo!

> ... You have expounded many times
>in the last two years how much you know about electronics. And a few times you
>have even slipped up and said:
>
>>Message-ID: <01bd187c$5c2853c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
>
>>I know (and passed a test on) the code ... I'm not as fast as the High Priests
>>of Morseodism in Oldington and others like Roll, Carroll, etc. would like to
>>see as "The Standard of Excellence," but I could copy CQ at probably 40 wpm ...
>
>Which really blows a big hole in your 'I wanna get on HF to do digital
>experimentation and bring ham radio into the 21st' century but the code test is
>keeping me off HF' baloney. If you can copy a CQ at 40 wpm, you can damn sure
>pass a 13 WPM code test and get on HF and do all the experimenting you want -
>but that's not the real agenda ...

The "real" agenda is getting the Morse code testing requirement removed.
It's that simple: So simple, SOME people can't seem to get it. ;0)

> ... - your real agenda is to cause as much hate and
>discontent as possible and see if you help throw the ice cream on the floor.

Talk about "hate and discontent": IMO, your vibes could collapse San
Francisco all over again ... no probl�mo, KemoSabe ... ;0)

>
>You're a fraud, Squiggy. A fake. ...

And, IMO, you're needlessly arrogant and intolerant ....

> ... Sad thing is, you have worked yourself up
>into such a rage ...

Seems to me someone else here isn't exactly calm ... =0)

> ... and you spend so much time slobbering over a keyboard, that you
>are about the only one left here that doesn't realize that. You need help.
>Professional help.

Hell, there is no such thing as "normal": We're ALL crazy -- some of us more
or less than the others. Those who think otherwise, IMNSHO, are seriously
deluding themselves .... ;0)

>
>You are not interested in ham radio - you are only interested in making noise.

Seems this post/follow-up has made quite a lot of noise all by itself ...
(ouch! My ears hurt!) ;0)

>
>But I'll tell you what I am going to do. ARRL membership now, I think is $36 a
>year. I have no idea what it was 22 years ago, so I will use todays figure.
>$36 times 22 years is about $792. We'll round if off to $800.
>
>I'm going to give you a refund, so you can have back everything you have put
>into ham radio. You throw away the usenet software and go find a good head
>doctor.

I think everyone, *especially* r.r.a.p. devotees, needs to have their head
examined periodically -- just to make sure the invective and trash don't do
permanent damage to the interface circuits of the ol' grey matter .... ;0)

>
>You explain to him that you are consumed by the fact that you hate ham radio,
>and ask him if he can give you some help. If he says yes, you tell him to send
>me the bill for the first $800 worth. I'll look at it as my investment in the
>future of ham radio......

This is beginning to look a lot like a "last grasp" control issue here ...
did Carl strike an extremely sensitive pro-coder nerve somewhere?

>
>I've noticed you seem to have a problem finding things I post in usenet lately,
>Squiggy, so I'll email you a copy of this to make sure you get it. My usenet
>feed just isn't that reliable, I guess.

Some might think it's not only the usenet feed that's not reliable ... =0)

(Gee, Maw ... did I say THAT?)

>
>73, Jim KH2D
>
>
>

Happy New Year! Try to calm down a little -- we have a lotta year left to
mangle .. er ... debate in! ;0)

BTW: Did you know that yesterday, in 1838, Mr. S.F.B. Morse first demonstrated his new code and new telegraph at Morristown, NJ? ... this is the same town where Benedict Arnold was court-martialed ... 1838 was also the year S.F.B. failed to interest Congress in constructing a telegraph line -- maybe more practical folks knew something (even then)! ;0)

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from KA9HRT (not K9HRT) [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]
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Join today--help assure fair Amateur Radio license testing tomorrow!
(NOTE: Remove "NO" and "SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

740. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B40A21.790@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182281
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote...
>
> Well, CW is usable in any spectrum, last time I checked.

Ah, but its not being used, which was my point (and the point that I suspect that most of the Kenicoyasawhooie executives would make).

Most of the other radio services (military, government, business, commercial, etc) have given up on CW as a primary means of communications.

The Amateur radio service is that only radio service which still heavily uses CW as a means of communications. And, even in the Amateur bands, fewer operators today are using CW as a primary means of communications than in days gone by.

Considering how small the CW market is, you simply cannot expect the Kenicoyasawhooie executives to put much emphasis on CW when designing a radio, especially when many of the radios the Kenicoyasawhooie companies are designing are being built to operate in multiple radio services.

A Kenicoyasawhooie radio you buy for Amateur HF is also likely being sold to other services to use in those bands. Since CW is almost nonexistent in those bands, and only a portion of the Amateur operators use it, other issues become more important when designing a radio (and CW gets pushed into the background).

I'm not making excuses for the Kenicoyasawhooie executives, only pointing out reality. Of course, none of this helps the CW enthusiast. As you so wisely pointed out, it is a darn good thing that there are other companies out there filling in the gaps.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

741. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107234101.SAA06131@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182282

>> Would you care to show data indicating that "large numbers" of
>> experimenters kepy away from ham radio by CW

>Hi Dick, I work for a company that has tens of thousands of employees
>and actively supports amateur radio stations at their different sites.
>There are 1/3 as many hams at my company as there were ARRL survey
>respondents. We offer in-company Morse code classes in hopes of getting
>novices, techs, and tech+'s to

>upgrade so they can become part of the
>iEARS HF emergency communications effort. Many of the no/slow-code hams
>are HW/SW design engineers with degrees ranging up to PhD. The technical
>exams would be a breeze for them

>Of the ones unwilling to upgrade to
>general, every single one of the more than one hundred no/slow-code hams
>cited the 13wpm Morse code test as their single reason for not upgrading.

Because they have NO INTEREST in ham radio, they would be willing to sit for a "no-brainer(for them)" test to please their employer, but no interest in putting out the effort that learning the code requires. "I'll have desert, if its free."

KMB

742. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107234800.SAA07902@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182283

>Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
>frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
>the resonance points.

Yeah, right. Bet your problem is that its resonant on 27.545.

KMB

743. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <68uh5g$kb5$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182321

In article <68ttag$esi@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, KD5BAY@earthling.net says...
>
>Code A Mode Of Operation
> #1 SSB is A Mode
> #2 Am Is A Mode
> #3 FM Is A Mode
> #4 SSTV Is A Mode
> #5 Amtor Pactor Packett Etc All Modes Of Operation
> #6 Repeater Operation Is A Type Of Operation
> #7 Satellite Operation Is A Type Of Operation
>
> Why Should We Have To Prove To Be Proficent In Cw Mode, But No Others
>Because Some Won't Let Dead Dogs Lye.
>
>

It has nothing to do with dead OR sleeping dogs. CW is allowed on ALL the amateur bands from 160 Meters through and including 23 Centimeters. It is the ONLY mode that is allowed on ALL frequencies. Ever wonder why?

Regards Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

744. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: baldy@discovery.com
Message-ID: <68ukvq$e9o$1@arctic.discover.net>
Source record: 182322
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <884111638.1021575178@dejanews.com>, iwstirn@bigfoot.com wrote:
>
>>
>>
>> George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote in article:
>
>> > Purpose...an interesting concept when you discuss CW. I espouse CW not
>> > because I think it will be the way to save my soul in some dire emergency
>> > when no other form of communication will get through. Actually, I believe
>> > that so few people know Morse these days that I would be better off
>> saving
>> > my energy than trying to tap something out on pipes.
>> >
>
> "William Lee" <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:
>
>> This person has no idea of what Morse Code really is. It is a sound made
>> by long dashes and short dits. The only sound you can make by taping on
>> something is the short dits. This limits your letters to E, I, S, H, and
>> the number 5. You are correct in saving your energy for other endeavors...
>>
>> --
>> William Lee N5WRX
>
> Is wire telegraphy limited to those characters, then? Since the
>telegraph clicks, how are dashes differentiated from dits?
>
As I recall, they read the "pauses" between the "clicks", not the "clicks"
themselfs.

745. Re: Carl Stevenson

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b2d3c4.1434726@news.total.net>
Source record: 182323
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 07:44:00 -0800 (PST),
nationalyouth@alias.cyberpass.net wrote:

(...)

>We have compiled all of Carl's writings from Deja News, and furnished
>copies to all our members. He has inspired us to utilize ham radio
>to bring our message to the entire world. We will soon begin broad-
>casting on 3.500, 7.00, 10.00, 14.00. and 21.00 megacycles. Please
>tune in for our message of revolution and rebirth. These messages will
>be amplitude modulated transmission, NOT MORSE CODE!!!!!!

(...)

I thought you could only transmit CW on 3.5, 7 and somewhere else...
AM isn't allowed is it ?? Also 10.00 is out of band !! Don't mess
up the time signal !! you will getta trouble !!

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

746. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b2d4d1.1703579@news.total.net>
Source record: 182324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 11:35:02 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

>I must admit CB, your logic does seem to defy known physics.

scan CB freqs. there aren't as many as activities it used to be.

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Please remove "ham" to reply.

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747. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34b6ad01.10442939@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182325

jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) wrote:

>The point of my article went *way* over your head, Karl. Your buddy,
>CB Bimbo, wanted to know why the ARRL represented itself as the
>voice of amateur radio. I showed him just the opposite is true - the
>FCC looks to the ARRL as our voice.
>
>In a like manner, Congress, and the population in general, view the NRA as
>the voice of all gun owners; would you care to guess just how many gun
>owners are members of the NRA? 1%? 0.1%?? (Don't forget the drug dealers
>and other criminals are "gun owners.") Tomorrow I'll check with
>the library and attempt to get the actual figures for you.
>
>When the government considers an organization as a representative
>of a certain body of people, the numbers make no difference at all.

You're not very politically astute, I see. The government responds to
dollars and votes. The boys with the dollars are slowly chipping away
at the ham bands, and the ARRL is powerless to stop them. Even the
once-mighty NRA is but a shadow of its former image, and has some of
the same problems among the rank and file as the ARRL has with the ham
community.

Don't expect the ARRL to save your hobby. It ain't gonna happen
without a major change in direction.

>P.S. In my original post I made an error: In 1914 the League
>established the very first transcontinental wire-less communications
>network. This was one year *before* the transcontinental telephone
>system was established. Thus it was the hams, under the leadership
>of the ARRL, who first tied all the states together for almost
>instantaneous communication.

That's completely irrelevant. Nobody in power knows or cares what
happened nearly a century ago.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

748. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34b5ab7b.10053101@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182326

T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:

>Having to retest would take away any suspsion of wrong doing.....What is
>there to loose? If you can't pass the test a second time you probably
>should not have the ticket.
>
>dt

I agree. Let's re-test EVERYBODY. Yearly. That'll get rid of the
scum, yep.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

749. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107021900.VAA14060@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182327

In article <68sah3$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) writes:

>Hi Brian. The 'codeless' hams in your old club aren't pulling any duty. The
>only thing they are pulling is in their pants..... Most of them can't even
>spell public service, more less do it. But now their favorite toy is
>broken, and we aren't going to fix it for them anymore, so we'll see how long
>it takes until all the HT's are in the closet with a dead battery.

The words of a bitter old man and a card-carrying "code at any cost to the hobby" member of the ARRL.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

750. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <68upf3foe1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182328

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>> Also, if you're not a member of the League, you have no standing to
>> complain about it.
>> --
>> glenq@cyberhighway.net
>> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

This is elitist spewage.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.

Tom - N8ECW
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751. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffmc@bsquare.com
Message-ID: <34b2eda4.642379172@news.halcyon.com>
Source record: 182329
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 6 Jan 1998 13:51:16 -0000, "ricardo"
<ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt> scribbled:

>
>I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
>and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
>conversation from a cellular phone,i don't remenber very well, but i think
>he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
>(in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
>He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,
>
>It's possible ? how ?
>--
> Ricardo Marques
>ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt
>
>
>

More than just a radio is needed for GSM. GSM is a digital technology
(a form of TDMA). Some sofisticated hardware is needed to decode the
bitstream into audio. In the US AMPS and NMT in northern europe are
easily intercepted. (just FM analog).

Jeff -- KD1IT

752. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107032901.WAA28354@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182330

> I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10
>> meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods
>> for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter
>> radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone
>> help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx
>> series?

>Am I the only one
>that gets irate on this subject?...John

No, you're not alone. If this "Galaxy" is already a ham rig, then it is to be assumed that KC7VHO wants to convert it to an illegal CB set, to impress his not-yet no-code buddies down on 11m. And it annoys me every time I see a request for illegal "mods." In my opinion, the FCC is pulling a Pontius Pilot. Also in my conspiracy theory paranoia, I believe that the no-code tech was accepted by the FCC as the best way to move the worst of the "freebander" outlaws: give 'em a license, make 'em respectable, and move 'em up to 10m. Sure worked around here.

KMB

753. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <68ut3f$5vl$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182331

In article <uG9a8IAasNs0EwcJ@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>, don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk says...
>
>Some time ago I adapted my logging program, in conjunction with GI4WRJ,
>to be used with HAL a "screen talker". Robin GI4WRJ is a blind op and
>his use of the program amazed me. He had to write an environment for HAL
>to read the logger which is not a little difficult. As the hardware and
>HAL are very expensive I wonder if later developments have made things
>less expensive for the blind ham. I have been thinking of making a
>talking version of my program using the SoundBlaster as a more economic
>answer.
>So far I have not been able to locate any info on generating speech with
>a sound card but I am sure I will. Would this be a worthwhile exercise?
>I would be interested in constructive comment. You can find my website
>at http://www.kay-dee.demon.co.uk. for free and budget software.
>73 all
>
>Don Ward G0MDO

Don,

Have you seen the software called PowWow? It has an option for converting incoming text to sound card speech and it's very understandable. I think Microsoft also publishes text to voice software.

Just a thought.

Regards,

Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

754. Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980107033701.WAA29454@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182332

Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type accepted Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal. And using it to communicate with your buddies on the FRS is just as illegal as using that FT-101EEEEE(or whatever) you had back on 11m and above.

Hard to get rid of that scofflaw mentality, isn't it?

K�MB

755. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-07 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <68uv0h$a6d@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182333

oak.NOSPAM@texas.net (K7RMJ) wrote:

>In article KD5BAY@earthling.net says...
>>Code A Mode Of Operation
>> #1 SSB is A Mode
>> #2 Am Is A Mode
>> #3 FM Is A Mode
>> #4 SSTV Is A Mode
>> #5 Amtor Pactor Packett Etc All Modes Of Operation
>> #6 Repeater Operation Is A Type Of Operation
>> #7 Satellite Operation Is A Type Of Operation
>>
>> Why Should We Have To Prove To Be Proficent In Cw Mode,
>> But No Others
>> Because Some Won't Let Dead Dogs Lye.

>It has nothing to do with dead OR sleeping dogs. CW is allowed on ALL
>the amateur bands from 160 Meters through and including 23 Centimeters.
>It is the ONLY mode that is allowed on ALL frequencies. Ever wonder
>why?

Yet you can operate CW all you want above 50MHz and never
have passed a CW test. The mode or allowed use of same is
not sufficient reason to mandate testing.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

756. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: ac5ez@webtv.net
Message-ID: <692qgn$4f6$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182134

Get yourself an mfj swr analyser machine and leave the transmitter alone.

Best Regards , Larr

757. NATO 2000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <cPhVsGAJePt0EwyL@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182135

Does anyone out there know of mods to put the NATO 2000 multimode on to
10 metres? I have looked in the usual places but no luck so far.
--
Don Ward G0MDO

758. How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b7f846.3602661@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182136

I need some info on how to best protect my gear from EMP (electro magnetic pulse ... created by an atomic bomb exploding in the atmosphere). Ham radio will be the main mode of communications after either a man-made (WWIII) or natural disaster (asteroid/earthquake/volcano/shifting polar poles/etc) and I want my gear to be able to work.

If my radio shack is in an earth sheltered house (under ground) ... it would be protected?

If it was in a concrete shell (with no windows) above ground, would it be protected? Would the room need to be lined with copper?

W4SCO

759. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: ac5ez@webtv.net
Message-ID: <692rs4$4go$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182137

Terry

If your not attracted by the romance of radio , stay on the internet,
you will enjoy it more.

Best Regards , Larr

760. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: ac5ez@webtv.net
Message-ID: <692s89$4hc$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182138

Everyone always talks about the phone lines and power lines being or going down. In the last 20 years at this qth , the power lines have been down a total of four hours and the phone lines , a total of two hours. I know, Im lucky, right !! Thank god I have a 2m rig here somewhere, if I could only find it !

Best Regards , Larr

761. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: ac5ez@webtv.net
Message-ID: <692sp7$4i4$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182139

You are right , who you are is not important.

Best Regards , Larr

762. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: ac5ez@webtv.net
Message-ID: <692rv4$4gq$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182140

Case in point. Quam hurricane 1997 . Only communication out by a ham
was over the internet.

Best Regards , Larr

763. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: rats@ih4mp736.ih.att.com
Message-ID: <692tt9$5hi@ssbunews.ih.lucent.com>
Source record: 182141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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|I am under the impression that the maggies in a microwave oven
|are driven by half-wave rectified 60 hz, transformed up to a
|multi-KV value.
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Typically, the magnetron is treated as a diode as part of a voltage-doubler circuit, which is why you see only one silicon diode module in the HV PS... Cheap and totally cost-effective.

764. GE Master 2 HELP PLEASE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Cole and Kathy <kc5swi@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B4FC4A.AA6A15FD@flash.net>
Source record: 182142
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap

Would anyone advise me on the pin out of a GE master 2 control cable plug<at the radio>. I don't have a cable and need to know where i need to put positive and negative connections to the front of the radio as i am using an internal repeater controller <nhrc-3 mii-90> and have deleted the control head.

I realize the two large pins are + and -, but the smaller pins must have a pos and neg. pin in there somewhere.

Thanks for any help!!
please e-mail responses....
73
Cole
KC5SWI@flash.net

765. Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net>
Message-ID: <34B51CF4.E71294C8@mcws.net>
Source record: 182143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?

Thanks and 73
kd4zot

766. Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net>
Message-ID: <34B51D5D.A79B6C37@mcws.net>
Source record: 182144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?

Thanks and 73
kd4zot

767. Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net>
Message-ID: <34B51C48.4D7A96FA@mcws.net>
Source record: 182145

Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?

Thanks and 73
kd4zot

768. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34B50F89.33A0@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 182146
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
> Why do you think that I support the retention of CW as a serious-use
> backup mode?

Because you're on a power trip? :-) Hams and/or ham frequencies didn't appear to be involved at all in the ship's CW distress situation. Seems they took advantage of a professional system, manned by professional operators, that performed up to professional standards, just as it was expected to do. That's what professionals do and get paid for.

I am alive today because I was NOT wearing a seat belt in a 1961 wreck. Is that a good reason not to wear seat belts? If not, why is an isolated commercial incident, in which amateurs were not involved at all, reason to force hundreds of thousands of amateurs to learn Morse code? Where is the Return On Investment, Dick? (Your warm, fuzzy feeling is not a good enough return.)
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

769. FS: Popular Commincations Magazine Back Issues

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: meadowcomm <meadowcomm@erols.com>
Message-ID: <01bbfd89$c484b940$f9c4accf@default>
Source record: 182147
Cross-posted to: alabama.birmingham.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio,att.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.swap

I have the following back issues available for sale. Popular Communications has a wealth of information on scanner frequencies for police, fire, satellite, government, and more as well as articles on Broadcasting History, Prate radio, and CB.

These issues are in good condition and need a good home. They make an excellent addition to any radio club or school library. The best, reasonable offer will be accepted fo these issues.

The following is what I have:

April 1983 thru December 1983 (Double issues for December and October)
January 1984 thru November 84 (July and December missing. Double of April)
January 1985 thru July 1985 (September and October are OK.
August, November, December missing. Double September)
1986 Complete (Double of October and November)
1987 Complete
1988 Complete
1989 Complete
1990 Complete
1991 Complete (Double of February)
1992 Complete
1993 Complete
1994 Complete
1995 Complete
January 1996 thru November 1996

Thank you.
Chris
meadowcomm@erols.com

770. gate 4 vanity calls

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mdowning@amberjack.rdatasys.com
Message-ID: <6934kq$5i$1@herring.rdatasys.com>
Source record: 182148

Gate 4 vanity calls are being issued.......

see http://www.wm7d.net/fcc/callsign.html
or http://www.wm7d.net/fcc/call_report3.html

--Mark (WM7D)

771. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6933am$idc@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182149
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Thu, 08 Jan 1998 08:48:18 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
posted:

>Brian wrote:> > > >
>> > > > The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26
>> > > But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate?
>> > > Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
>> > >
>> > > KR4AJ
>> >
>> > You can be sure they will be very quiet and hope it goes away soon and
>> > silently....give it a little time, they will be back with the same old
>> > tired sonatas, ignoring reality as though they created it...
>> >
>> > That's *THREE* CW initiated marine rescues I know of within the past
>> > year, while the new marine GMDSS system has had a 100% failure rate--all
>> > alarms so far have been false!!! Yeh, Cw is old, obsolete, useless--tell
>> > it to the ship's crews.
>> >
>> > 73, Dick W0EX FISTS #3939
>> >
>> > Can't get it UP?
>> > ****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!****
>>
>> Dick, you did read the reaction of the Coast Guard upon being notified,
>> right? They thought it was a joke. Why would they think that?
>> 73, Brian
>
>
> Because they, like you and so many others today have been brainwashed
>and spoonfed the glowing story of the infallability and ubiquity of high
>technology. *It just ain't so* - even when they have a good
>reliability rate, these modern, extremely complex systems do fail- and
>we don't even know if the ship had any GMDSS gear installed---or if so,
>was it working or did it fail to produce the intended response. We have
>already seen here that the GMDSS gear so far, as of last summer, has had
>a 100% failure rate.
>EVERY distress signal it had generated was false!
>
> You fail to understand that much of what is mandated today is driven
>by economy--some wealthy, influential company's economy. What do you
>think the ecomomic implications are of a satellite based communications
>system that will ostensibly offer worldwide coverage? Ask Bill Gates,

>he is investing in one now.
>
> What you can be sure of is that money will be the primary
>consideration and the life & safety of any-all of the little-people
>users will be way down the scale of importance.
>
> Yes, I know--elected officials and bureaucrats are charged with
>overseeing the effectiveness of all these schemes, and if you think this
>means that it will be done correctly, adequately and with safety of life
>as the main consideration, I'll refer you to some really nice oceanfront
>property in Arizona.
>
> Why do you think that I support the retention of CW as a serious-use
>backup mode? Just because I *love* it? Sorry, there's a lot more to it
>than anything like that. I *know* it. And it works, Proven here once
>again.

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Proof positive: Dick LIVED in the past, LIVES in the past, WILL CONTINUE to
live in the past, forever stagnated and stagnating in the status quo swamp ....
.... the mule has landed! ;0)

>
>Dick W0EX FISTS #3939
>
> Can't get it UP?
>****Join No-Code International and halp destroy Ham Radio!****

---
from KA9HRT (not K9HRT) [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]
Visit the NCI WWW site: http://www.nocode.org
Join today--help assure fair Amateur Radio license testing tomorrow!
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

772. Re: Cecil's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: hsynovetz@uasc.com
Message-ID: <884288390.1351221263@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182150

In article <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107165113.29471A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>,
jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) wrote:
>
> Cecil wrote: "Most of the guys responding to my internal survey
> say, `I just don't want to waste my precious time learning something
> useless to me.'"
>

> Another good opportunity for practice is during the daily commute;
> play a code tape and practice "head copy"; this is no more distracting
> than listening to the AM/FM BCB radio.
>
> Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

"Head Copy"? Boy, the droids here are going to jump on that one here!

Seriously, I found listening to code tapes in the car dangerous...it
forced me to concentrate on one thing, rather than the mindless fog of
comuting. I used to listen during lunch breaks at work...pretty soon I
could copy any dot-matrix printer.

I also found those disco-code tapes at Dayton to help...they were so
irritating each year that I finally bought one; used it to piss folks off
at work. They sounded so darn stupid, but it would keep your attention.

But Jeff is right, there is so much wasted time during the day that could
be used for study. 73 de KA9YZB.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

773. FS Yaesu FL-2100B AMP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34B553B8.6ADB@lni.net>
Source record: 182151
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have a mint Yaesu FL-2100b Linear Amplifier designed to match the
Yaesu Ft-101 series transceivers. Plate input: 1200 Watts PEP, 1000
Watts CW, and 600 Watts AM, Grounded Grid Class B.
Requires 110 or 220 AC currently wired for 110AC, Forced air cooling,
wt. 41 Lbs.
Has orginal protective plastic covering the face! Tubes are 2 X 572b
triodes and are solid.
This amp is top of the line in every respect, Price is only $450.00, but
might consider a trade. I have just to much equipment and need to down
size, I have 3 amps and I can't use all of them.
Price includes orginal manual, but not shipping! Shipping is Extra!
73 & best wishes
Al

774. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jerry Black <jb@gatewayone.com>
Message-ID: <34B53275.5C16657C@gatewayone.com>
Source record: 182152

Glen Quarnstrom wrote:

> Jerry Black <jb@gatewayone.com> wrote:
>
> First of all, learn to include attributions.

Sorry 'bout that.

>
>
> >> The
> >> ARRL has turned into a bloated, wealthy bureaucracy which seems more
> >> intent on perpetuating itself and consolidating its power than it does
> >> in representing the best interests of the hobby.
> >>
> >> Of course, there is no real alternative, so it behooves the rank and
> >> file amateur to find some way of kicking them out of their rut and
> >> getting them more involved in moving the hobby into the new
> >> millennium.
> >>
> >
> >OK, lets say you're right.
> >
> >Now what's your plan? Lets hear it. And, I belong to the League.
>
> It's right up there in the paragraph above. Get involved. It's the
> only game in town, so make it represent YOUR views. Of course, if you
> think that the ARRL really has all of your best interests as a ham and
> an American citizen at heart and is doing a perfect job of
> representing them, then do nothing, as most hams do.

This isn't a plan.

What *positively* do you recommend. I can do all kinds of things to be
involved, but they may be futile rather than effective.

What specifically is your plan?

>
>
> Just don't come whining to me when it's gone, or has been turned into
> something you don't even recognize, much less enjoy.

I don't even know who you are. Therefore, I have no intention of whining to
you. Before you accuse someone of whining and inferring that they do useless
things,STATE YOUR SPECIFIC PLAN TO COUNTER WHAT THE LEAGUE, IN YOUR OPINION,
IS DOING WRONG.

So far, I find nothing of value in your communications on this subject.
Suprise me with something worth reading.

>
>
> --
> glenq@cyberhighway.net
> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM
>
> http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

775. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: fzbruss@catbert.ucdavis.edu
Message-ID: <693c5j$lt4$1@mark.ucdavis.edu>
Source record: 182153

Don Ward (don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk) wrote:
: Some time ago I adapted my logging program, in conjunction with GI4WRJ,
: to be used with HAL a "screen talker". Robin GI4WRJ is a blind op and
: his use of the program amazed me. He had to write an environment for HAL
: to read the logger which is not a little difficult. As the hardware and
: HAL are very expensive I wonder if later developments have made things
: less expensive for the blind ham. I have been thinking of making a
: talking version of my program using the SoundBlaster as a more economic
: answer.
: So far I have not been able to locate any info on generating speech with
: a sound card but I am sure I will. Would this be a worthwhile exercise?
: I would be interested in constructive comment. You can find my website
: at http://www.kay-dee.demon.co.uk. for free and budget software.
: 73 all
:

TinyTalk has been available for some time as shareware. It converts text
to speech and uses the SoundBlaster and a variety of other sound devices.
Most of the computer-using blind folks that I know use DECTalk which is a
software/hardware combo designed specifically for text-to-speech.

73, Mike, KF6IMS

776. Change ARRL Board (was Re: The League *is* amateur radio)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b63d44.4005842@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182154

>> >>
>> >
>> >OK, lets say you're right.
>> >
>> >Now what's your plan? Lets hear it. And, I belong to the League.
>>
>> It's right up there in the paragraph above. Get involved. It's the
>> only game in town, so make it represent YOUR views. Of course, if you
>> think that the ARRL really has all of your best interests as a ham and
>> an American citizen at heart and is doing a perfect job of
>> representing them, then do nothing, as most hams do.
>
>This isn't a plan.
>
>What *positively* do you recommend. I can do all kinds of things to be
>involved, but they may be futile rather than effective.
>
>What specifically is your plan?

I would like to see the Board organized by license class, one director
for each class. Members who are Techs would be the only members voting
to elect the TECH Director to the Board. Novices would do the same as
would the Extras and so forth.

This would drastically change the ARRL. Because then ALL member hams
would be heard. I bet if you were to look into the director's
background most of them are probably EXTRA Class now.

L. Scofield
W4SCO
Extra Class (started as No Code Tech)
ARRL member
AMSAT member

777. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Simon <dsimon@electrotex.com>
Message-ID: <34B53DC2.1047@electrotex.com>
Source record: 182155

K7RMJ wrote:
>
> In article <uG9a8IAasNs0EwcJ@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>, don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk
> says...
> >
> >Some time ago I adapted my logging program, in conjunction with GI4WRJ,
> >to be used with HAL a "screen talker". Robin GI4WRJ is a blind op and
> >his use of the program amazed me. He had to write an environment for HAL
> >to read the logger which is not a little difficult. As the hardware and
> >HAL are very expensive I wonder if later developments have made things
> >less expensive for the blind ham. I have been thinking of making a
> >talking version of my program using the SoundBlaster as a more economic
> >answer.
> >So far I have not been able to locate any info on generating speech with
> >a sound card but I am sure I will. Would this be a worthwhile exercise?
> >I would be interested in constructive comment. You can find my website
> >at http://www.kay-dee.demon.co.uk. for free and budget software.
> >73 all
> >
> >Don Ward G0MDO
>
> Don,
>
> Have you seen the software called PowWow? It has an option for converting
> incoming text to sound card speech and it's very understandable. I think
> Microsoft also publishes text to voice software.
>
> Just a thought.
>
> Regards,
>
> Frank
>
> 73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit
The following sites have sound:

http://www.prodworks.com/eval.htm
http://www.centigram.com/centigram/TruVoice/index.html

Don, W5JPD

778. Re: Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Reid <jreid@aloha.net>
Message-ID: <34B549A9.6FD00053@aloha.net>
Source record: 182156

NuMorse is the most recent. Is Windows based and is great.

Go to: http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pager.html

There you will find lots of CW info, and links to many different CW
training
progrms, including NuMorse.

73, Jim, KH7M

Tim wrote:

> Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer
> programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain
> the use of more freq. spectrum.
> Thanx for your help,
> Tim

779. FS: SONY ICF-6800W

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: nobody@REPLAY.COM
Message-ID: <693bg2$e3m@basement.replay.com>
Source record: 182157

To all persons interested in the SONY ICF-6800W.

I have been receiving offers from people and thanks to delays in e-mailings some people have expressed interest and have been unable to contact me, so I have decided to auction the radio on Ebay.com. The auction is for three days only. There is no charge to buyers to use this service and the transaction is still handled directly by me. Go to this link...

http://komodo.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=4018365

Good luck, Les Hall.

780. Multiple audio transmission help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Joe Burkley <info1@dadaware.com>
Message-ID: <34B5527E.EE0D9F28@dadaware.com>
Source record: 182158

My company is in need of transmitting audio to individuals who will be constantly moving around the building (everything takes place inside the same building). It is one-way transmission and because of mobility, the transmission must be wireless. Each individual

will receive their own information flow, so multiple transmissions will be occurring simultaneously. The transmission will take place almost continuously and using cell phones would be prohibitively expensive.

I am trying to evaluate options including building a custom setup. We are looking at several hundred installations, so we can afford to do things to our specs. A worst case scenario for a given installation would be 200 unique transmission occurring simultaneously. Some installations will be with us as tenants, sharing the building with others. Because of this, we have to be concerned about transmission quality and potentially FCC issues.

Any help in what mechanisms could be used for delivering the transmissions?
Where can I find what frequencies are available for limited range broadcasting
and what restrictions are on their use?
What sort of data bandwidth can a given frequency utilize? Any idea if any products already exist along these lines?

I know this is kindof open ended, but I am at the preliminary stages for the
project. This group seems oriented towards HAM radio,
but your topics of discussion made me hopeful you can at least point me somewhere. Thanks.

-Joe Burkley
info1@dadaware.com

Doing the funky email so we can more easily ignore all the junk email these
postings always seem to incur.

781. 2M Pager?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: todkapuz@flash.net
Message-ID: <693ltb$m8j$1@excalibur.flash.net>
Source record: 182159
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I once saw (about a year ago) an article somewhere on the usenet about re-crystaling a pager (like motorola classic), and some software to turn a regular pager into one that works on the 2M (via a packet radio).

I was wondering if anyone knew anything about this... if so please write me at

todkapuz@flash.net

Thanks!

-William KC5QYO

782. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net>
Message-ID: <34B55DA8.88459226@dm.net>
Source record: 182160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

How does a year in the slammer sound???

At least, that's what you can get in California ;-)

Joseph wrote:
>
> Many radios can do this.
> Easily.
> I cut a green wire on my Yaesu FT-530, and it receives cellphones. I did
> it mainly for the out-of-band transmit on UHF, because the radio, when at
> lowest power, puts out legal power in the FRS frequencies, so i can talk
> to my friends who have FRS radios. That turned out to be kind of a waste
> though, so i just left it modified for the sake of not opening it back up
> and fumbling with rediculously small wires.
> So yes, for a FACT some FT-530s (later models had some components changed
> and may not be able to get cellphones though...) do this, and many
> scanners do, and i've seen an alinco, and an icom do the same. I'm sure
> that there are many others.
>
> Even though the US is the only country I know of to fight for the right of
> other countries to be able to listen to any radio they wish and then a few
> years down the road, turn around and make it illegal in our own country, I
> think many people can and do listen to cellphones... I tried to see if the
> mod sheet i followed was correct. But seriously, who would care to listen
> to a bunch of "hi hon, i'm on my way home, do we need milk?"
> conversations? Sorry, but even though my rig does it, i'll stick to
> scanning the police freqs, weather freqs, FRS freqs, and of course, the
> Ham freqs..
>
> Eavesdropping just doesn't seem "right..."
>
> ;)
>
> -joseph
>
> ricardo (ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt) wrote:
> :
> : I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
> : and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
> : conversation from a cellular phone,i don´t remenber very well, but i think
> : he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
> : (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
> : He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,

> :
> : It´s possible ? how ?
> : --
> : Ricardo Marques
> : ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt

> --
> Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
> Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
> email: n8ouz@usa.net
> WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz

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-John S. Bond <kingsnake> WA6FRN/6
kingsnake photography; a division of Gyro Gearloose Productions
http://www.humboldt1.com/~gyrgrls/
ICQ uin:4604100

783. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: rusty1@iamerica.net
Message-ID: <34b42e75.96628508@news.iamerica.net>
Source record: 182161

:>CBRambo wrote:
:>
:>> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the all-important Morse code
:>> examination.
:>
:>

and then Stanley <so@bigfoot.com> wrote:

:>And what class ticket do you have? What's the call? Quit hiding behind some fictious
:>name and maybe we can take something you say a serious.
:>--
:>Sincerely, Stanley

I think this is what you are looking for Stan.....

Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??
I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!

-Drew in Sunny Central Florida-
KF4DDM since 9/95 on 2m & 10m
KADF-6895 since 9/76 on 11m
Active scanner and Internet freak as well
(no license required)
DREW A DURIGAN
2841 SE 7TH ST
OCALA, FL 34471
TECH+
DOB: 05-26-1964 Age 33
County: MARION

Compliments of Rust Nail

784. Free Classified Ad to Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: anonymous <anonymous@anywhere.com>
Message-ID: <34B561C3.17209F12@anywhere.com>
Source record: 182162
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio.marketplace

For those of you whom are interested, we are offering free classified ads for a limited time on our server. www.tropicom.net

Our classifed ad section will have a special area for Ham Radio Related items. Please read the guidelines about posting. Remember this is free, with no strings attached and no advertising or sales pitches to you. All we ask is that you learn about us and know that we exist and tell others. We will be offering more in the very near future.

And since I am an Amateur Radio Operator, I thought this would be a nice place to get more exposure for all our ads. I will most likely be keeping the ads online for more than 30 days if you wish at least until we decide otherwise. That is for the Ham Radio Section only. I also will be putting up a ham radio page. Of all the stuff that you all like. Please feel free to send me your ideas.

Andrew
KD4ZGJ

PS. I did not put my email address here because of the spam. You can contact me at my site if you wish by sending mail to admin.....

Thanks for your time all. And happy haming. 73's

785. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B5876B.23DC@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182163
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Gary Coffman wrote:
> >
RC> >Wire telegraph operators copied the spaces between the clicks.
> >Long space=dash, short space=dot. If you thing beeping is hard, try
> >that.
>
> If that was what they did, then it would be hard. There would be no way
> to distinguish between a dot and an intracharacter space. They'd be
> equally spaced clicks. Fortunately, that isn't how wireline telegraphy
> worked.

That is an exact quote from a telegrapher of whom I asked the question
years ago. I imagine that he might not have known what he was talking
about.

> The sounder makes distinctly different sounds for key down
> and key up, so both the location and direction of the timing edges can
> be easily recovered. Any interval that begins with a key down click must
> be a voiced symbol, and any interval that begins with a key up clack must
> be an unvoiced symbol. Thus all 5 symbols used by Morse can be properly
> decoded via sounder.
>

I doubt many telegraphers did a scientific analysis of it, but for most
people I have known, what the guy said seems easier than your version.

By the way Gary, I've missed your posting here where you complain that
the Government is imposing a "subsidy" on hams in the form of an CW
test.
I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and help destroy Ham Radio!****

786. Re: Question: Repeater control operator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b41aa6.7040381@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182164

I am a Canadian and our rules are somewhat different from yours but, I believe our rules state that you can as long as the occupants of the other location don't have easy access to the equipment. Eg if you put the radio equipment, etc, in a locked box and you keep the keys.

I think the logic here is to remember the rules concerning unlicenced people using, gaining access to, your radio equipment.

Larry ve3fxq

On 7 Jan 1998 16:39:58 GMT, jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) wrote:

>I'm considering building my own repeater split site system.
>Question: Can I house the other half of the split site at a NOT yet FCC
>licensed individual's house?
>
>I am the control operator, right? Or do we share that responsibility?
>
>-Jeremy
>KF4RTY

787. Re: How can I have CW QSOs on the Net?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: "James F. Chumbley" <chumbley@sj.bigger.net>
Message-ID: <693tlj$38f@masters0.InterNex.Net>
Source record: 182165

I believe that Microsoft NetMeeting, v. 2.1 for Windows95, should let
you do this fairly easily. This is essentially a low-quality voice
connection over the Internet. It can be used instead of long-distance phone
calls. The system requires, in addition to the software, which is free, a
sound card and speakers plus a microphone. In addition to this equipment,
both people would have to have a key (or keyer), a keyed tone oscillator,
and a speaker. Put the speaker where the microphone can "hear" it. Again,
the audio quality will be poor, but for internet-based code practice, it
will be good enough. Let me know if you decide to try it. I might join
you.
I forgot to mention earlier that Microsoft provides the "clearinghouse"
or "switchboard" where you would find other people interested in CW
practice. You are asked when setting up this software about how you would
like to be listed in the "directory." You and he would both indicate that
you're interested in CW QSOs, and that is how you could find each other.
The other really good advantage of such a thing is that you can immediately
ask, in your normal speaking voice, for an explanation of what was sent or
for a repetition of some difficult portion.
--
Regards,
Jim Chumbley, N6UF
Confederate Signal Corps
_. _.... .._ .._.

788. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis Wheeler <cwheeler@ccnet.com>
Message-ID: <34B58444.524@ccnet.com>
Source record: 182166

Bill Sohl wrote:
>
> sco@mindspring.com (SCO) wrote:
>
> >>Wayne Greene.
> >>>Again, CBers who become hams is a different catagory than hams who
> >>>might turn to CB; the latter class is certainly a very small minority.
>
> >When I am in a traffic jam on the highway I turn on my CB to find out
> >what is happening. I can't very well call someone on my 2m rig.
> >Perhaps if we hams could devise a plan for something like Channel 19
> >on CB we would turn on our 2m radios instead of the cb.
> >W4SCO
>
> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> a universal 2m mobile channel.

Most hams will just keep their 2m rig on their favorite repeater.

I usually have mine set to 146.52 (when I feel like having 2m turned on)
since I don't have a regular, favorite two meter repeater. Otherwise
its set to 156.800 since I am more interested in boating than 2m ham
radio.

You make a good point. If you came upon my car while you were driving
down a freeway and saw my callsign plates, would you even attempt to
call me on 52? I don't think most people would bother becasue we just
don't seem to practice 'universal mobile communication'.

I have always liked the idea of having a channel(s) set aside for local
calling or distress and encourage people to monitor that channel(s) as
much as possible. Aviation and marine service have calling and distress
channels and the system works quite well. Why can't a "national simplex
frequency" like 146.52 be designated for calling or distress only?

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Curtis

"Fast Forward"

789. Re: Change ARRL Board (was Re: The League *is* amateur radio)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <693uvoevv1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182167

In article <34b63d44.4005842@news.mindspring.com>, SCO <sco@sco-inc.com> wrote:

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>for each class. Members who are Techs would be the only members voting
>to elect the TECH Director to the Board. Novices would do the same as
>would the Extras and so forth.

This makes no sense, unless there is some underlying reason why the
interests of Novice-class hams would somehow be different than General
or Extra-class hams.

>This would drastically change the ARRL. Because then ALL member hams
>would be heard.

All member hams are heard now.

>I bet if you were to look into the director's
>background most of them are probably EXTRA Class now.

More than likely. But, the symptom does not diagnose a problem. There are
numerous other reasons why directors tend to be higher license classes.
According to the ARRL bylaws, any league member who is a tech-or-above-class
license holder, and has been a member for two years, can run for office.
So, ask yourself: why don't more techs run for and get elected to
positions like SM, Division Director, etc.?

Free clue: it has nothing to do with their license class.

>L. Scofield
>W4SCO
>Extra Class (started as No Code Tech)
>ARRL member
>AMSAT member

Founder, now defunct USARA?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

790. Re: SALE - List

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: cangelet <cangelet@neo.lrun.com>
Message-ID: <NEWTNews.884311107.12303.cangelet@my-computer.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182168
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.ham-radio

In Article<01bd12da$03cd5240$d480dad0@francer.gis.net>, <francer@gis.net> writes:
> Path: akron5.neo.lrun.com!peerfeed!newsfeed.internetmci.com!207.126.101.73!Supernews73!supernews.com!Supernews69!not-for-mail
> From: "Charles Francer" <francer@gis.net>
> Newsgroups: rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave
> Subject: SALE - List
> Date: 28 Dec 1997 01:54:29 GMT
> Organization: All USENET -- http://www.Supernews.com
> Lines: 13
> Sender: @208.218.128.215
> Message-ID: <01bd12da$03cd5240$d480dad0@francer.gis.net>
> NNTP-Posting-Host: 19772@208.218.128.215
> X-Newsreader: Microsoft Internet News 4.70.1155
> Xref: akron5.neo.lrun.com rec.ham-radio:1755 rec.ham-radio.swap:2126 rec.radio.amateur:2903 rec.radio.amateur.equipment:58879 rec.radio.amateur.misc:132990 rec.radio.amateur.swap:1113 rec.radio.shortwave:101233
>
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> Adjustable Voltage Output - In Box and all docs. 22amps
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> for 2 months
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> Charles Francer n1rpd
> n1rpd@amsat.org
>
>
>
>

791. FS: MFJ-9020 QRP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rod Logsdon <bike4life@bikerider.com>
Message-ID: <6943g1$nk9@dfw-ixnews3.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182169
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

MFJ-9020, 20 mtr. CW QRP rig
MFJ-4112 Portable power pack for MFJ-9020

Asking $125.00 + shipping for both or trade for 2 mtr. all mode.

Rod Logsdon
WK9T
bike4life@bikerider.com

792. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: jaf@sprintmail.com
Message-ID: <884313635.535101446@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182170

In article <01bd1beb$3ace3920$0a8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>,
"DavidC" <davidc@bit-net.com> wrote:
>
> Ooops! I thought it was 146.52, hmmm. Did you mean 146.52 or is it really
> 147.52?
>
> Oh well, was going to use the old crystal rig. 73, DavidC AA1FA
>
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
> > I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> > as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> > extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> > no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> > a universal 2m mobile channel.

I travel the interstates quite a bit. I have one rig tuned to 146.52,
and call on that frequency quite often when I'm on top of a hill.
Consider this: two mobiles travelling at 70 mph are closing on each
other at 140 mph; If both mobiles have a ten mile range, that gives them
a twenty mile window; (10 to the front and 10 to the rear); and the
window of opportunity to talk to each other lasts only nine minutes or
so; If I call every 5 minutes I could have only a 4 minute chat. I also
have a cb tuned to 9 and 19, another 2 & 1 1/4 meter rig that switches to
the closest repeater programmed into my laptop that is running APRS and
connected to a gps receiver. This makes the road time much more
enjoyable as I make trips from Texas to Cleveland and New England. It's
normal now for me to cover 720 miles per day, but I used to go for 1200
per day. I can't do that any more. Jim W0oog/5

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
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793. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980108215434.13793A-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 182171
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On 2 Jan 1998, Thomas Weeks wrote:

> Date: 2 Jan 1998 15:55:18 GMT
> From: Thomas Weeks <Thomas.Weeks@mirage.brooks.af.mil>
> Newsgroups: alt.ham-radio, alt.ham-radio.fm, alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,
> alt.radio.amateur, rec.ham-radio, rec.radio.amateur,
> rec.radio.amateur.misc, rec.radio.cb
> Subject: Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs
>
> In article <Pine.BSI.3.95.980102091712.2870A-100000@home.dp.net>, tech@dp.net says...
> >
> >
> >It goes something like this..... No matter who makes it, every company
> >gets a lemon or two, or perhaps a run of them, in their line up.
> >It happens with cars, radios, etc.
> >
> >I have owned 3 RS 202's and know of others that own them , and have had
> >little if any problems,
>
> Hi!
>
> I just got a used 202 for $120 and am working on getting my tech or novice license...
>
> I am an EE (EET really) and was interested if you knew about any good hardware hacks that can be
> performed on this rig...?
>
> PLease send replies to tweeks@texas.net
>
> Thanx..
>
> Tom D Tek
>
>
>

There are none to be had to my knowledge. Sorry!

794. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don McPherson <bjmcpher@usit.net>
Message-ID: <34B5A029.FA87CF26@usit.net>
Source record: 182172

THIS STUFF BELONGS ON ALT HAM-RADIO.NOCODE

TNX

Bill Sohl wrote:

> rsirois@stny.lrun.com (Ray KC2AYO) wrote:
>
> >On 29 Dec 1997 18:18:08 GMT, kb9kyy@indy.net (Brad Wilmot) wrote:
>
> >>I am just sickened by the "No Coders Bashing" ......
> >>Can't we all just get along?
>
> >Brad,
> > You can't afford HF and don't want it. I don't see any need for you
> >to learn code. HOWEVER, I'm all for the code requirements for HF use,
>
> Because?????
>
> > I'm a
> >Tech-Plus who is struggling to get to 13, and I'll do it, for my General
> >(already passed the theory). WHEN I finally get it, the work and effort
> >involved will make that license particularly valuable to me....
>
> What difference would it make if you obtained the general
> and never passed CW? If you wanted to then operate 13
> (or any speed CW) wpm what would stop you from learning
> it as you go (i.e. on the air with other CW users)?
> Are you so unsure of your interest in CW that you
> must be forced to pass a 13wpm test first before
> getting the license rather than doing it on your own?
> --------
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK
> ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> No Code International, member - 1007
> Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

795. Wanted a REAL RTTY printer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: xandes@webtv.net
Message-ID: <6947uj$d23$1@newsd-144.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 182173
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I don't know if this qualifies as a "Boatanchor" but I would probably think so if I didn't want one....
I am looking for a real RTTY input and printing station....I am NOT looking for software, a multimode TNC, or any piece of equipment which requires a computer.
I have never seen an RTTY station...but I imagine it is prob very similar to an old printer dumb terminal or an old TELEX station....
If anyone out there has one of these, or can point me in the right direction I would certainly appreciate it.

73
Alex (Getting my ticket finally punched at the end of Jan - Call sign soon to follow!)

PS if you post to the NG an answer pls CC it to my mail box as well....

796. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6947gmfbt1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182174

In article <19980109011001.UAA06418@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote:

>After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out mechanical
>noises on a brass key...and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on
>receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order to
>communicate around the world? Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their
>pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less) can purchase a used Pentium
>computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions,
>atmospherics, man-made interference, or signal jammers.

Welp, you feel free to do that. I, on the other hand, will continue to have
my "hundreds of thousands of dollars" spent in radios, antennas, towers,
amplifiers, and so on. That way, when all the phone lines to your ISP are
busy, your ISP's network backbone connection is down, your ISP is being
brought to its knees thanks to a SYN attack, your ISP's national carrier
has a routing problem, or one of the other hundreds of different reasons
why you can't establish a connection from your house to a common everyday
site like www.yahoo.com, I'll still be chugging along talking to my
companions on the radio while you stare at a screen-saver.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

797. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <694c20$t2u@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182175
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Gary Reichow <gjr1@po17.rv.unisys.com> wrote:

>Jim,
> And on the other hand, you will probably
>get 2500 JA QSL cards because they are such
>good QSL'ers (and I might add good ops as well)
> 73 - Gary KN0V

I think I can agree with at least half of that, Gary.

73, Jim KH2D

798. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: WB9IOG <WB9IOG@REVEALED.NET>
Message-ID: <34B5CB9D.1508@REVEALED.NET>
Source record: 182176

Bill Larson wrote:
>
> My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
> KF7IL, Bill.
Bill
The easiest way is to go to
http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/prod.html
There you will find form 900 the new electronic form for renewal.
It's real fast and easy to fill out- however there is a 60 or 90
day pre expiration date you may have to wait for.
Go to the site just to be familiar-they now ask for a SSN via the
internet
Mike
Le Claire, Ia

799. NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <1215095191-980107234200@privates.org>
Source record: 182177

RE: NO CODE vs CODE!
BY: CBRAMBO@AOL.COM (CBRAMBO) to ALL on Sun Jan 04 1998 11:42 pm

> From: cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <626895929-980104121200@privates.org>
>
> In article <626895929-980104121200@privates.org>, mark.keefer@privates.org
> (Mark Keefer) writes:
>
> >HAM radio is here for anybody who wants to learn. It is not to difficult
> >for
> anybody who wants it. The hobby is not dieing, in fact I hear new HAMs
> >everyday
> and we are running out of call signs.
>
>
> We ARE?? Hmmm...what exactly do you base this statement on?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
I base it where I live, the 1x2 and 2x1 calls are gone in 3 land, the 1x3 calls are almost gone guess there are still 2x2s and 2x3s for now.

How's that code coming? You should be up to about 20 characters by now. Hang in there, only a few more days and you will pass that code test and be on HF!

Don't be typing any replies until you pass that code test. In fact stop reading this area and turn off your computer and start practicing your code!

You obviously have time to do it, you just have to decide you want that HF and 40 some CW characters is only a few more days away! Come on, you can do it! Just do it! But I guess your not reading this now becasue you turned off your computer and are practicing your code! <Grin>

Hear you on 75 soon!

(Another helpful tip, while driving down the road to work, every sign you see, run the code off in your head! You see a STOP sign, you sound off in your head: di di dit dah dah dah dah di dah dah dit)

Do it!
See you on the air!
73 Mark
---
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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
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800. internet vs ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <1514828985-980108000600@privates.org>
Source record: 182178

RE: internet vs ham radio
BY: HMKARSE@EARTHLINK.NET to ALL on Sun Jan 04 1998 11:41 pm

> Selling Radio Spectrum = Less National Debt
>
> Most of us know how that game is played and that it really hasn't made
> a noticeable bite in the debt; but tell that to Joe Average who thinks
> every herringbone pattern on his $99 color tv is from the ham down the
> street. I can see it now in the newspapaper, "Congress collects money
> to balance national debt while eliminating interference on your tv!"
>
> mini-rant complete.
>
> Howard
> KE6MAK
Oh, thanks for giving them the idea, Howard! :}.'
Heheh.
73 Mark
N3JNC
---
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---
* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
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801. The so-called "Libert

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <228835143-980108011600@privates.org>
Source record: 182179

RE: The so-called "Libert
BY: CBRAMBO@AOL.COM (CBRAMBO) to ALL on Tue Jan 06 1998 03:55 pm

> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the all-important Morse cod
> examination. Unlike you and others like you who continue to stick their
> heads
> in the sand, however, I realize that continuing the requirement in 1998 does
> nothing to help...and in fact is hurting amateur radio.
>
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
dah-di-dah-dit dah-dah-dah dah-dah-dah di-dah-di-dit
di-dah-di-dah-di-dah
Dah di-di-di-dit dit dah-dit
dah-di-dah-dah dah-dah-dah di-di-dah
dah-di-di dah-dah-dah dah-dit dah
dah-dah-dit dit dah
dah di-di-dit dit

di-di-dah-dit dit dit di-dah-di-dit di-dit dah-dit dah-dah-dit
dah-di-dah-dah dah-dah-dah di-di-dah
di-dah di-dah-dit dit
dah-di-di-dit dit di-dit dah-dit dah-dah-dit
dah di-dah di-dah-di-dit dah-di-dah dit dah-di-dit
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---
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---
* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
---

802. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <694jpi$qu@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 182180

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>In article <34b42e75.96628508@news.iamerica.net>, rusty1@iamerica.net writes:

>>I think this is what you are looking for Stan.....

>Where's that big 'ol CB
>>RAMBO??
>I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!

> -Drew in Sunny Central Florida-

>And your source for this information is...or perhaps more importantly, your
>proof of this is...

Oh No ! Spew reincarnated as CB Dumbo.........

>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

803. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34B5B8C8.4574@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 182181

Dwight Stewart wrote:
>
> > billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl) wrote...
> >
> > I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> > as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> > extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> > no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> > a universal 2m mobile channel.
>
> REPLY...
>
> You have my support on this Bill. By the way, I think you mean
> 146.52, not 147.52. How can we go about promoting this frequency better
> nationwide?
>
> I had heard that 146.52 is supposed to be the nation-wide simplex
> calling frequency, but I have yet to hear a single word on this
> frequency. Perhaps a little better promotion is all it needs.
>
> And, it we want a separate emergency frequency, maybe we could use a
> frequency near this as an emergency frequency (like 145.52 to make it
> easier to remember - one MHz down from the calling frequency).
>
> Trying to keep up with repeaters, using directories, is difficult if
> you travel great distances in one day (and I sure would not want to be
> thumbing through a repeater directory if I'm laying in the ditch after
> an accident).
>
> A _well monitored_ simplex frequency would be a great solution.
>
> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)
==========
Hi,
146.52 is programmed into all my rigs to be scan. occasionally activity
is heard. I suspect it'd like 10M. you got to put out a call before
deciding nobodies home.

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

804. Question: How to broadcast??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: aweiss@pomona.edu
Message-ID: <34b42517.58201434@news.tiac.net>
Source record: 182201

I recently noticed that if I hooked up a "rabbit-ears" to my VCR, that I could broadcast the signal on channel 3 or 4 about a foot to a nearby television set. I then put a standard Radio Shack 10db 75-ohm coax amplifier (part# 15-1118B) inline before the "rabbit-ears" and it increased the range of the signal to about 4 feet.

I know very little about television and radio broadcasting, but I would assume that the antenna one uses makes a big difference. So, I was wondering what would be the best (read: cheapest) way for me to increase my broadcast range. Is an antenna the best way to increase range, or can I just daisy-chain these $13.00 10db amplifiers? Is there a single amplifier that would work well?

Also, is there a way to broadcast FM using some pre-made device in the same way that VCR's transmit on channel 3 or 4? And, if there is, wha is the best way to increase the range?

BTW - I realize that this activity violates some FCC rules, but I assure you that I am not planning to start my own TV station. I merely wish to learn more about this technology.

Thanks.

805. Re: Growth of Amateur Radio, latest statistics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b42825.11372185@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182202
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl) wrote:

>Thanks to the W5YI report, here are the latest statistics
>for amateur licenses in the USA as of 12/1/97.
>
>Total licensed hams: 719,341
>This total is only 1.1% increased over last year at
>the same time. The net increase is only 7582
>over December 1, 1996.
>
>Of the total, here's the breakdown by license class.
>
>Extra: 75,694 an increase of 2176 which represents
>an increase of 2.9%. The percent of all hams that
>are Extra is now 10.5%, up from 10.3%.
>
>Advanced: 112,482 a decrease of 1922 which represents
>a decrease of 1.7%. The percent of all hams that
>are Advanced is now 15.6%, down from 16.1%.
>
>General: 124,415 a decrease of 2299 which represents
>a decrease of 1.8%. The percent of all hams that
>are General is now 17.3%, down from 17.8%.
>
>Tech Plus: 147,559 a decrease of 782 which represents
>a decrease of 0.5%. The percent of all hams that
>are Tech Plus is now 20.5%, down from 20.8%.
>
>Tech: 179,226 an increase of 18,636 which represents
>a increase of 10.4%. The percent of all hams that
>are Techs is now 24.9%, up from 22.6%.
>
>Novice: 79,965 a decrease of 7582 which represents
>a decrease of 10.3%. The percent of all hams that
>are Novice is now 11.1%, down from 12.4%.
>
>Some thoughts:
>With the sole exception of the Extra class, all other
>license classes with HF access have decreased.
>Indeed, it can be seen that the total of all
>hams with HF access has DECREASED by 12,054
>over the last year. In the same time, the Tech
>license (nocode) has increased by 18,636. This has

>caused an over 2% shift in coded vs non-code hams.
>Indeed, today, 1 in every 4 hams is a nocode ham.
>
>The percent of hams with 13wpm or 20 wpm code
>qualifications (Extra+Advanced+General)
>is down to 43.5% from 44.3%.
>
>Ultimately, these are not growth numbers that
>bode well for amateur radio in the USA.
>
>Bill Sohl K2UNK
>ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ

The overall numbers are up a little from last year. And there are many more Techs (which is the entry class).

W4SCO

806. Re: RSGB Membership Graph 1986-2006?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sadboy@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <34b16e37.3450436@news.prestel.co.uk>
Source record: 182203
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 21:56:16 GMT, olympus@jimdee.nospam.prestel.co.uk
(Jim Dunnett) wrote:

>On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 00:13:29 GMT, sadboy@hotmail.com wrote:
>
>>Blah,blah blah,,,the same old tosh churned out by a bitter and twidted
>>person with sod all else to do but grind his personal axe,,get a
>>life,,who gives a shite about the RSGB ??,,join or dont
>>join,,simple,,christ it must be hell being your wife/son/daughter or
>>other relative. Isn;t it time for another pro/anti RSGB debate on that
>>bores' paradise that is the packet network or how about another anti
>>morse debate??. No wonder lots of people see amatuers as sad,lonely
>>old tossers and no wonder very few women waste their time on it.
>
>Your EMail address fits you like a well-tailored Durex.
>
>With such an extensive and refined vocabulary you'd do
>well writing for the Sun. Perhaps even aspire to an
>editorial position?
>
>I'll take bets that if you're anything at all,
>you're a G7. :o)
>
>
>
>All the best for 1998.
You don;t think this is a valid point of view then?
>--
>- Jim, g4rga | Britain is no longer a totally white place where
>olympus@jim dee.prestel.co.uk | people ride horses, wear long frocks and drink tea.
>G4 rga@aol.com | The national dish is no longer fish and chips,
>g4rga@gb7tjf.#45.gbr.eu | it's curry.
> | -- Actress Marianne Jean-Baptist.
>Rallies info: www2.prestel.co.uk/jimdee

807. Cecil's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107165113.29471A-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182204

Cecil wrote: "Most of the guys responding to my internal survey say, `I just don't want to waste my precious time learning something useless to me.'"

Too bad your survey didn't also include a question asking how many hours per week the TV set is turned on. You could have then pointed out that the code can be practiced during the commercials (unless your fellow workers consider the commercials as "precious time"); that would amount to about 10 minutes per hour - the whole family could join in and have General-class licenses in a month or two.

Another good opportunity for practice is during the daily commute; play a code tape and practice "head copy"; this is no more distracting than listening to the AM/FM BCB radio.

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

808. Attitudes of hams when asked a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980107170518.29471B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182205

Hans points to the Amateur's Code regarding our obligation in answering questions...

I see nothing wrong with directing the person asking the query to the proper reference text. As the quote below points out, you will have fed that novice a lifetime of answers:

"Give a man a piece of bread, and you've fed him for a day. Teach him to harvest, and you've fed him for a lifetime."

Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

809. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <691antfem1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182206

[major snip]

CW is allowed on ALL
>>the amateur bands from 160 Meters through and including 23 Centimeters.
>>It is the ONLY mode that is allowed on ALL frequencies. Ever wonder
>>why?
>
>Yet you can operate CW all you want above 50MHz and never
>have passed a CW test. The mode or allowed use of same is
>not sufficient reason to mandate testing.

In YOUR opinion.

>Bill Sohl K2UNK
>ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
>No Code International, member - 1007
>Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org
>

Bill,

I would think that trying to operate CW above 50MHz without knowing the code would be rather difficult. It is not easy to communicate with a language one does not understand, wouldn't you agree? I would think this sufficient reason to warrant cw testing for all frequencies allowed to amateur radio where cw is allowed. I also think it is unreasonable to test abilities in only one mode and not the others. (just food for thought)

Here is more food for thought... how about mode related operating permits? Require amateurs to prove knowledge about digital or any other modes before allowing them to operate those modes similar to the old commercial radio license endorsements.

IMHO the biggest obstacle the "No-Code" movement has to overcome is the attitude, "If I had to learn it, you should have to learn it too because it would be unfair to all the hams who already passed the cw test to do away with it." Personally, in the future, I will continue to use CW because I like it and I sincerely hope many others do the same whether there is a code testing requirement or not. In the same breath, I welcome all the "No-Code" Hams to the ranks of Amateur Radio.

Regards and 73's

DE K7RMJ Frank dit..dit

810. Re: Question: How to broadcast??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: tsum3drac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108014401.UAA23720@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182207

>Is an antenna the best way to increase range,
> or can I just daisy-chain these $13.00 10db amplifiers?

Neither one.

Realistically, antenna gain will be limited to about 10dB, which would only double your "line of sight" range.

Cascading amplifiers won't work either. It's a question of transmitted power. Those are receiving amplifiers, which have a maximum output level which is quite low. Beyond a certain point, further increases in input power merely drives the amp into saturation rather than increasing output power.

There are high output amplifiers which would do the job, but they will be quite costly by comparison to the prices you pay on mass produced consumer electronics.

Also understand that the output of a VCR is not spectrally "clean". Broadcasting that kind of signal could cause all kinds of interference problems. It will also, as you noted, be illegal.

>Also, is there a way to broadcast FM using some pre-made
>device in the same way that VCR's transmit on channel 3 or 4?

There are a great many FM transmitters on the market. Not all are legal.

>And, if there is, what is the best way to increase the range?

Same answer as for the VCR.

Regards,

Blake - WB4PLL

811. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: algo@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <691bth$11q$1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182208

On Mon, 5 Jan 1998 21:42:27 +0200, "Nick" <xinisglf@acropolis.net>
wrote:

>i want to buy one TS-50
>do you recomend this !!!???
>
>
>thanks DE SV1DKN
>==
I purchased a used one, along with the AT-50 Antenna tuner. I use
them at the vacation home, using a multi-band windom antenna. I can
set up and break down the station for storage in a closet in under 10
minutes. With this set up have worked DX and many states on SSB.
Only regret is the lack of a CW keyer.

Ray, K1XV

812. Re: Question: Repeater control operator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: prografx@teleport.com
Message-ID: <691c2c$4ao$1@news1.teleport.com>
Source record: 182209

jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) wrote:

>I'm considering building my own repeater split site system.
>Question: Can I house the other half of the split site at a NOT yet FCC
>licensed individual's house?

>I am the control operator, right? Or do we share that responsibility?

>-Jeremy
>KF4RTY

As far as that individual doesn't use it or work on it, it shouldn't be any different than having a repeater at a location where another amateur doesn't reside (like a commercial site or mountain-top).

As long as HE doesn't break any rules, it shouldn't be a problem just to use his location as a site (with his permission).

The control operator is licensed and responsible for the proper operation of the repeater. You will need to make sure that you have a control channel to that site so you can "control it", of course.

IMHO

Steve
WB7PSD

813. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b633a7.14318351@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182210

>Wayne Greene.
>
>>Again, CBers who become hams is a different catagory than hams who
>>might turn to CB; the latter class is certainly a very small minority.
>

When I am in a traffic jam on the highway I turn on my CB to find out
what is happening. I can't very well call someone on my 2m rig.
Perhaps if we hams could devise a plan for something like Channel 19
on CB we would turn on our 2m radios instead of the cb.

W4SCO

814. Re: If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b73733.15226709@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182211
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

slime@radiotelephone.net.ham (Mr. Slime) wrote:

>If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs, I am sure there are more people around
>in HFs.
>
>Why ?
>
>Because many of us started in VHF by visiting Radio Shack and saw some
>VHF rigs !! Or at least we start to get into VHF by using their
>excellent (?) rigs !!
>
>If they sell the HF rigs in their showcase, I am sure a lot more
>people show the interest and actually use the HFs.
>

well here in Atlanta we have many Radio Shack stores ... but we also
have a HAM RADIO OUTLET store. Local hams go there. Hams from outside
georgia even buy there.

W4SCO

815. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <691ffa$g3b@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182212

sco@mindspring.com (SCO) wrote:

>>Wayne Greene.
>>>Again, CBers who become hams is a different catagory than hams who
>>>might turn to CB; the latter class is certainly a very small minority.

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>what is happening. I can't very well call someone on my 2m rig.
>Perhaps if we hams could devise a plan for something like Channel 19
>on CB we would turn on our 2m radios instead of the cb.
>W4SCO

I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
a universal 2m mobile channel.
Bill Sohl K2UNK
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No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

816. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <691ficlok1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 182213
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie-Boy,

I was talking about the Amateur Radio frequency allocations in the
United States, not those of Canada. Just look it up. You will see I am
right. CW is allowed on EVERY amateur radio frequeny on every band from
160 meters through and including 23 centimeters. This is information
pulished by the FCC on July 25, 1989.

73's DE Frank K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <34b22888.3084847@news.total.net>,
cute@radiotelephone.net.ham says...
>
>On 6 Jan 1998 04:44:33 GMT, oak.NOSPAM@texas.net (K7RMJ) wrote:
>
>>CrACKeD....
>>I understand the point you are trying to make very well, but your
logic
>>is badly flawed. Take a close look at the HF Amateur Radio frequency
>>allocation and the charts which describe the modes of operation
allowed.
>
>
>> You will find that CW is ALLOWED on every HF frequency. That is ONE
>>good reason for keeping the cw REQUIREMENT in the testing process for
HF
>>band amateur licenses.
>
>You will find that SSB is allowed on every HF frequency except 10 MHz.
>This is one good reason for allowing no-coders to operate on HF bands
>except 10 MHz. If you like CW, go to 10 MHz.
>
>
>>Sorry CrACKeD... your argument just doesn't hold water.
>
>sorry. yours too.
>
>
>
>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org

I urge all Hams to visit the above website...You won't believe it.

>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non
sollicitï¿½s!!

817. FS: 2 ARRL HANDBOOK'S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: k6eg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108031301.WAA06913@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182214

I HAVE 2 ARRL HANDBOK'S
1974 AND 1977 EN EXCELLENT CONDITION
$15.00 PLUS SHIPPING REPLY HERE OR PHONE/FAX 310-672-8428
TNX ED K6EG

818. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108034901.WAA12427@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182215

In article <34B2ED73.FF8@bigfoot.com>, Stanley <so@bigfoot.com> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the
>all-important Morse code
> examination. Unlike you and others like you who
>continue to stick their heads
> in the sand, however, I realize that
>continuing the requirement in 1998 does
> nothing to help...and in fact is
>hurting amateur radio.

And what class ticket do you have? What's the call?
>Quit hiding behind some fictious
name and maybe we can take something you
>say a serious.
--

Sure thing. That way I can also be libeled, harassed, mailbombed, etc., by you clowns on USENET. No, thanks. Who I am is not important. Hey, I've got it...why don't y'all take the time you waste trying to guess my identity and use it to try and figure out a way to save your dying hobby?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

819. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108035001.WAA13242@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182216

In article <34B3A4EF.C6363357@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson
<silversq@ix.netcom.com> writes:

>Nobody is going to believe you CB.

Like I really care what you believe. Sorry, Mr. HAMBO, you're not that
important in the world.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

820. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1beb$3ace3920$0a8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 182217

Ooops! I thought it was 146.52, hmmm. Did you mean 146.52 or is it really 147.52?

Oh well, was going to use the old crystal rig. 73, DavidC AA1FA

Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> a universal 2m mobile channel.

821. Re: Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108041101.XAA15718@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182218

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>> >Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type
>accepted
>> >Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal.
>
>

>Would you mind telling me what non-type acceptance means since there is no
>type
>acceptance for amateur radio equipment? Hmmmm? I don't want to alarm you
>but your
>ignorance is showing.--
>j:) -=wk1v=-

Seemed clear to me. The FT-530 is a ham rig. It doesn't have/need type
acceptance. But jrerlewe sayes he used it to communicate with friends on the
FRS. Those radios(FRS) do require type-acceptance, as would any radio operating
legally on the FRS. And therefore my comment.

You got any synapses firing yet?
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K&#65533;MB
Unalarmed

822. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108041300.XAA15993@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182219

>MailfrmPA wrote:
>>
>> >I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
>> >advise how, would be grateful.

>Curtis .. N5HDQ ..

Hey putz! Is this slander? The quote you attributed to me was a portion of my own reply to the original geek.

scheeeese.............

KMB

823. Re: RSGB Membership Graph 1986-2006?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980108041701.XAA16614@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182220

>>>Blah,blah blah,,,the same old tosh churned out by a bitter and twidted
>>>person with sod all else to do but grind his personal axe,,get a
>>>life,,who gives a shite about the RSGB ??,,join or dont
>>>join,,simple,,christ it must be hell being your wife/son/daughter or
>>>other relative. Isn;t it time for another pro/anti RSGB debate on that

>>>bores' paradise that is the packet network or how about another anti
>>>morse debate??. No wonder lots of people see amatuers as sad,lonely
>>>old tossers and no wonder very few women waste their time on it.

>>Your EMail address fits you like a well-tailored Durex.
>>
>>With such an extensive and refined vocabulary you'd do
>>well writing for the Sun. Perhaps even aspire to an
>>editorial position?

Careful! Your gonna get Emma's knickers in a knot again, talking rude like
that.

K&#65533;MB

824. Re: Attitudes of hams when asked a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1bc6$3d675a60$051871ce@default>
Source record: 182221

ok, teach him to harvest. but first show him the tools he'll need for that harvest.
a simple definition of ohm's law could be described in text, and yet some people dont understand the print. so maybe a more experienced person could explain it better.
besides, most of the knowledge i aquired in this field has been from hams who answered my 1001 questions. any one want to ask me 1002, i'll be happy to pass it on.

J. Herman <jherman@sierra.NET> wrote in article
<Pine.SUN.3.95.980107170518.29471B-100000@diamond.sierra.net>...
> Hans points to the Amateur's Code regarding our obligation in
> answering questions...
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> I see nothing wrong with directing the person asking the query
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> you will have fed that novice a lifetime of answers:
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> "Give a man a piece of bread, and you've fed him for a day.
> Teach him to harvest, and you've fed him for a lifetime."
>
> Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW
>
>

825. Wanted: SWAN 500 Power Supply

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: vroberts_@rpa_.net
Message-ID: <34b465cb.1336346@super2.rpa.net>
Source record: 182222
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Posting for a friend who needs a power supply for a SWAN 500 HF rig, either an OEM unit or suitable replacement. Also, though he can't figure out Usenet, he seems to think he could actually build one if somebody could supply plans :)

Please respond to Bob directly if you can help:

WB2SLYNY@aol.com

826. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Aust <maust21401@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B52353.66D0@earthlink.net>
Source record: 182223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

MFJ makes an Antenna Analyzer that is wideband and tunes outside
the ham bands. Some antenna's may not even have a good match and
sweeping your rig, transmitting into high VSWR's might damage those
solid state finals.
I know, you need it to see if your 10meter antenna drifted down to
27MHZ....
Boy , that's a good one...

Dan K Nelson wrote:
>
> michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
> >
> > Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> > frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> > the resonance points.
> >
> > ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> > http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
>
> Boy, that's a good one....
>
> 73,
>
> <<< DAN >>>

827. Santec 144uP tone bd

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: chambers@midwest.net
Message-ID: <34b47a33.25954522@news.midwest.net>
Source record: 182224

I have a 1983 model Santec 144uP 2m HT. I am trying to add a
Communication Specialists SS-32P tone encoder. After taking out VR1
and D1 it will transmit the tone and I can access the repeater,
but...when I put the Santec's squelch knob in the "TONE" position to
supply power to the board, it will not squelch the radio.
Has anyone got this combination to work, or have any ideas? TIA

Greg - WB9UHR

828. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: drgrant@ziplink.net
Message-ID: <34be796c.426736304@bombay.ziplink.net>
Source record: 182225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:58:29 -0800, Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
wrote:

>michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
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>> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
>> the resonance points.
>>
>> ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
>> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
>
>Boy, that's a good one....
>
>73,
>
Well, although illegal, thats the EASY way out to finding out how much
your antenna is off. A "legal" way is to get an SWR anylyzer like MFJ
makes, or any of the other "Rf anylyst" type devices. Rather pricey
tho at $100-200, but easy way to match up antennas without having to
use a tranciever.

-Mike

829. Re: I sell Big Amplifier & Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Antonioni Bodoldo <pasta1@linguini.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1c12$1506d400$329192ce@default>
Source record: 182226
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,it.hobby.elettronica,it.hobby.radioamatori,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hey Sandro, wadda ya talk here? You tella me Mama maka da pizza ona da 10 KW machina. You sella dis one and you gotta eata da cold salami. Whatsa matta yo face?

Sandro <s.rovatti@rsadvnet.it> wrote in article
> I sell the following amplifiers HF, all under perfect conditions.
> Ampli Collins 208U10, autotuning 2-30 Mhz, 10 Kw continues, with exciter

830. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <691bg7$3pr$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182227
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

On 1998/01/06 "Bryant McAllister" <mb_mcalllister@juno.com> wrote:

>> Is a false alarm a failure? If a real distress call isn't receives,
>> that would be a failure.
>
>
>YES False alarms are failures.
>
>Do you remember the story of the boy who cried wolf?
>
>Or maybe you were in a dorm during finals week with all the false alarms
>being set.

The last one isn't really a failure if done with the right intent. You do it at
3:00 am in a co-ed dorm to see who's sleeping with who.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.

Tom - N8ECW

831. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <691bo5$3pr$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182228

On 1998/01/06 T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:

>Having to retest would take away any suspsion of wrong doing.....What is
>there to loose? If you can't pass the test a second time you probably
>should not have the ticket.
>
>dt

Do you have a degree in anything? Maybe you would like to re-take all of your
finals to keep it.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

832. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: &miker <&miker@ethergate.com>
Message-ID: <34B4A9C2.2524@ethergate.com>
Source record: 182229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
>
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> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> the resonance points.
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You're getting a lot of the usual crap that goes on here. Don't
understand
why some people think they can withold info that's readily available.

Check out www.qrz.com radio mods database.

You'll also need wideband if you want to use a transverter.

Some people even use it on...well...you-know. But remember, it's
illegal to listen to cellphones. Sorry, guys,
I just couldn't resist stirring the ant farm.

As for tuning antennas, I prefer the noise bridge. You can write a
CAT program in basic that plots the antenna (SWR) vs frequency.

When you get right down to it, it's probably technically illegal to use
ANY signal source outside the ham band to tune your antenna...even
if it's inside a nifty antenna analyzer or GDO. Wonder how many
"rule inforcers" have written to MFJ about their illegal antenna
analyzers????

833. Re: You know you might be a Ham when...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <DMWicHAVBMt0EwgM@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182230

In article <EMF03u.C03@pica.army.mil>, Mark Ellis <mellis@pica.army.mil>
writes
>Have your 4 year old move the period one character over so it's
>http://surf.to/ham.radio
>and watch it connect. I think the ".to" is the country of Tonga that is
>making a few bucks
>by selling addresses.
>
>Basically it's a re-direct service to
>http://www.qni.com/~kg0zz/amateur_radio/clipart.htm
>
> ----mark n2wzb
>
>
>
>Larry Ewan wrote in message <34aafda0.4603066@news.digital.net>...
>>On Wed, 31 Dec 1997 14:36:43 GMT, helmsman wroth:
>>
>>>cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>>
>>>>On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 18:51:27 -0800, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com>
>>>>wrote:
>>>>
>>>>>Visit http://sur.fto/ham.radio
>>>>
>>>>>(WoW! That's any easy URL to remember!)
>>>>
>>>>>KG0ZZ
>>>>
>>>>easy URL to remember, but I can't connect.
>>>
>>>Same here!
>>>
>>Hope you guys are generals or above - my four year old can tell that
>>that is a bogus URL. You both fell right into his trap!
>
>
Come.to, surf.to and travel.to is a free service offered by some guys
in Holland I think. For more details have a look at "http://come.to"
--
Don Ward G0MDO

834. Looking for Yaesu ft-8100r mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: sbmundal@southern.edu
Message-ID: <34b4dbab.0@news7.centuryinter.net>
Source record: 182231

Hi, I am wondering if anyone can supply me with the mod for expanded tx on the FT-8100r. I haven't seen it flying around yet. Thanx in advance.
73's

Steve Mundall
KB7PSD

835. Re: If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: "John P. Cummins, Sr." <jpcummins@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <692mth$l5c@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

SCO wrote:
>
> slime@radiotelephone.net.ham (Mr. Slime) wrote:
>
> >If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs, I am sure there are more people around
> >in HFs.
> >
> >Why ?
> >
> >Because many of us started in VHF by visiting Radio Shack and saw some
> >VHF rigs !! Or at least we start to get into VHF by using their
> >excellent (?) rigs !!
> >
> >If they sell the HF rigs in their showcase, I am sure a lot more
> >people show the interest and actually use the HFs.
> >
>
> well here in Atlanta we have many Radio Shack stores ... but we also
> have a HAM RADIO OUTLET store. Local hams go there. Hams from outside
> georgia even buy there.
>
> W4SCO

I noticed in the paper this morning that Tech America (a Tandy
operation) has the small Alinco VHF/UHF rigs listed but don't mention
that you need a license to use them. I'm not surprised. I guess Ed
Juge is no longer in Ft. Worth.

AD4S

836. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-08 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B4E732.79C2@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182233
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Brian wrote:> > > >
> > > > The ship MV Oak was headed from Canada to Liverpool with a crew of 26
> > > > But why didn't they use the more whiz-bang modes to communicate?
> > > > Anti-coders will need to pretend that this just didn't happen.
> > > >
> > > > KR4AJ
> > >
> > > You can be sure they will be very quiet and hope it goes away soon and
> > > silently....give it a little time, they will be back with the same old
> > > tired sonatas, ignoring reality as though they created it...
> > >
> > > That's *THREE* CW initiated marine rescues I know of within the past
> > > year, while the new marine GMDSS system has had a 100% failure rate--all
> > > alarms so far have been false!!! Yeh, Cw is old, obsolete, useless--tell
> > > it to the ship's crews.
> > >
> > > 73, Dick W0EX FISTS #3939
> > >
> > > Can't get it UP?
> > > ****Join No-Code International and help destroy ham radio!****
> >
> > Dick, you did read the reaction of the Coast Guard upon being notified,
> > right? They thought it was a joke. Why would they think that?
> > 73, Brian

Because they, like you and so many others today have been brainwashed
and spoonfed the glowing story of the infallability and ubiquity of high
technology. *It just ain't so* - even when they have a good
reliability rate, these modern, extremely complex systems do fail- and
we don't even know if the ship had any GMDSS gear installed---or if so,
was it working or did it fail to produce the intended response. We have
already seen here that the GMDSS gear so far, as of last summer, has had
a 100% failure rate.
EVERY distress signal it had generated was false!

You fail to understand that much of what is mandated today is driven
by economy--some wealthy, influential company's economy. What do you
think the ecomomic implications are of a satellite based communications
system that will ostensibly offer worldwide coverage? Ask Bill Gates,
he is investing in one now.

What you can be sure of is that money will be the primary
consideration and the life & safety of any-all of the little-people
users will be way down the scale of importance.

Yes, I know--elected officials and bureaucrats are charged with overseeing the effectiveness of all these schemes, and if you think this means that it will be done correctly, adequately and with safety of life as the main consideration, I'll refer you to some really nice oceanfront property in Arizona.

Why do you think that I support the retention of CW as a serious-use backup mode? Just because I *love* it? Sorry, there's a lot more to it than anything like that. I *know* it. And it works, Proven here once again.

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

Can't get it UP?
****Join No-Code International and halp destroy Ham Radio!****

837. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6D51C.88CB7347@flash.net>
Source record: 181984

Gary Coffman wrote:

> Whoa nellie! Go back to modulation 101. A OOK Morse signal certainly
> does have sidebands. It is a form of DSB AM modulation. Now a *CW*
> signal, IE a continous unmodulated carrier, theoretically would have
> no sidebands, but in practice even that will have phase noise sidebands.
> So operation exactly on the band edge is illegal even if you don't modulate
> the carrier at all.

Well, ok but I don't understand the difference between OOK morse and an 'unmodulated carrier' I assumed they were the same. An AM signal with no modulation isn't an AM signal, just a carrier right? I agree with the phase noise, but with a clean signal would you not have zero bandwidth? Or is a signal with no noise not possible?

Tim, ka8ddz

838. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6D700.9DF48648@flash.net>
Source record: 181985

Doug younker, N0LKK wrote:

> Hi,
> 146.52 is programmed into all my rigs to be scan. occasionally activity
> is heard. I suspect it'd like 10M. you got to put out a call before
> deciding nobodies home.
>
> --
> 73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
> near Plainville, KS
> dougy@ruraltel.net

Well said, if everybodys listening THE BAND IS DEAD.

Tim

839. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B6FC8C.695A@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181986

CBRambo wrote:
>
> Why not just quit with the RADIO COP lecture and tell the guy how to modify his
> radio to do what he wants it to do?

Why don't you tell him ? .. Did they not teach you that in CB school ?

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

840. Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <1063185113-980109120600@privates.org>
Source record: 181987

RE: Best CW Program?
BY: TIM <N7UNH@COMPUZONE.NET> to ALL on Thu Jan 08 1998 01:46 am

> From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> Path: inet-serv.com!news1.mr.net!mr.net!news2.chicago.iagnet.net!iagnet.net!
> newsfeed.internetmci.com!204.71.0.51!spamkiller.internetmci.com!pull-
> feed.internetmci.com!208.141.58.5!208.141.58.194
>
> Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer
> programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain
> the use of more freq. spectrum.
> Thanx for your help,
> Tim
There are a lot out there. Try a few and see what you like. Also the Gordon West tapes are a nice change. I used his 13wpm practice test tape with the ARRL 18-22 wpm tapes. I was copying 18 wpm in about 30 days.

You should be able to find some on the WEB, but if you can not and don't mind making a Long Distance call for several minutes you can download a few from the STAR STATION BBS 215-396-1178 28.800Baud 8 bits No Parity 1 Stop bit. Any terminal program capable of downloading files will get you in.

Good luck with it.
---
* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
---

841. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6E83A.9311DA8A@flash.net>
Source record: 181988

Yo Doc wrote:

> ROFLMAO!!! Bill Gates a "visionary?" The same guy who said
> something like "all you'll ever need is 64K of RAM and an 8-bit
> operating system?" The guy who invented the 640K RAM barrier

Invented the 640k RAM barrier? That was a hardware issue, had nothing to do with Gates.Well, considering he's the CEO of a company worth several billion dollars, I think it's slightly unreasonable to base your opinion on a few sound bites that may have had a completely different point.

> as a "vision" of the greatest, best-case evoloution of the personal
> computer? IMHO, Gates succeeded mainly because he found
> ways to work around his horrendous LACK of "vision."

I guess his lack of 'vision' came into play when he could see that IBM needed an operating system and Digital was fumbling the ball eh? Christ, an MIT grad walks into IBM and proposes how he can write their operating system and you say this fellow has no vision? Yikes!

> If he
> had had any vision, he would have developed a wide open
> operating system, capable of handling unlimited RAM, and
> kept upgrading it as the hardware technology allowed

Hmm interesting, lets develop software to run on hardware that does not exist yet and hope that they build their micros around it. The debug would have been a little tough don't you think?

> , rather than
> obsessing about downward compatibility.

Yea, your right about that, I'd much rather have to buy all new software the next time Windows is upgraded.

> I'm no computer genius,

I would never accuse you of that.

> but all the computer geniuses I know don't think too
> highly of Bill Gates, and none of them have ever called him a
> "visionary!"

And these geniuses you know have done what exactly to promote computer use in the world? Windows may or may not be the most efficient software but it's a little hard to deny what it has done to the industry, I'm sure they exist but I have not seen a single manufacturing plant or office building that isn't running a MicroSoft product. The increase in data collection and

productivity and efficiency Im sure is immeasurable. If Bill Gates isn't a 'visionary' I don't who would be.

Tim

842. Re: 2M Pager?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Trent Drenon <tdrenon@telis.org>
Message-ID: <6978bgobv1@mentor.telis.org>
Source record: 181989
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Check out http://www.radiophone.dhp.com/pager/pager.html It has some info on reprogramming pagers.
73 Trent

Email tdrenon@telis.org
Packet kf6buy@kk6wd.nca.ca.usa.na
Student @ Burney High School
Next time you wave at me, use more than one finger, please.

William Huckaba wrote in message <693ltb$m8j$1@excalibur.flash.net>...
>I once saw (about a year ago) an article somewhere on the usenet about
>re-crystaling a pager (like motorola classic), and some software to turn a
>regular pager into one that works on the 2M (via a packet radio).
>
>I was wondering if anyone knew anything about this... if so please write me
at
>
>todkapuz@flash.net
>
>Thanks!
>
>-William KC5QYO
>

843. Re: Question: How to broadcast??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b5910e.16532226@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181990

I hate to be a wet blanket, but, aside from the fcc not liking the idea, either will your neighbours.

I would try to keep your vcr close circuit to your tv set. If you want to broadcast, for your own viewing pleasure consider getting an RF amplifier (possibly from radio shack) (not too powerful), putting your vcr as the input and sticking a wire, about 1/4 wavelength (I have forgotten the length) into the output.

But, plese, be protective of your neighbours privacy as you would want them to be as protective of your privacy of their vcr playbacks.

Larry ve3fxq

On Thu, 08 Jan 1998 01:00:21 GMT, aweiss@pomona.edu (Aaron Weiss) wrote:

>I recently noticed that if I hooked up a "rabbit-ears" to my VCR, that
>I could broadcast the signal on channel 3 or 4 about a foot to a
>nearby television set. I then put a standard Radio Shack 10db 75-ohm
>coax amplifier (part# 15-1118B) inline before the "rabbit-ears" and
>it increased the range of the signal to about 4 feet.
>
>I know very little about television and radio broadcasting, but I
>would assume that the antenna one uses makes a big difference. So, I
>was wondering what would be the best (read: cheapest) way for me to
>increase my broadcast range. Is an antenna the best way to increase
>range, or can I just daisy-chain these $13.00 10db amplifiers? Is
>there a single amplifier that would work well?
>
>Also, is there a way to broadcast FM using some pre-made device in the
>same way that VCR's transmit on channel 3 or 4? And, if there is, wha
>is the best way to increase the range?
>
>BTW - I realize that this activity violates some FCC rules, but I
>assure you that I am not planning to start my own TV station. I
>merely wish to learn more about this technology.
>
>Thanks.

844. 146.52 and monitoring

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <695b7f$6rn$1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 181991

Personally, I have 146.52 programmed and included in the scan cycle of EVERY radio I've got - HT, mobile, and base at the house.

I've made lots of simplex 2m QSOs while on long trips, and have frequently been called (and vice versa) by other hams as we passed each other.

A friend of mine has a nice cardboard placard which goes in the back window during trips, which simply says

146.52 446.00

Simple, to the point, and non-confusing.
--
* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 82 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
*** W3EAX - U of MD ARA / Laurel ARC / ARRL Life Member / MD MW **
*** 301-549-1022 h 301-982-1015 w *** 35 wpm HF mobile CW Neon ***

845. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ingra-Beton@t-online.de
Message-ID: <695pvv$7r4$1@news01.btx.dtag.de>
Source record: 181992
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Jim Stallings wrote:
>
> I have read the following. Can anyone confirm this:
>
> I have read a news post that you could no longer perform

Argh (%&%ï¿½(()/&%$ï¿½ , Come on, take a look at:

http://members.aol.com/aeimn/ft50/index.htm

You will find everything about the FT50 there.

The Hardware mod by Scot Sykes is working on ANY FT50, my
Software mods are also working on ANY FT50, don't be lasy,
read all articles, problems , ...

I can recommend the Audio mod from Steve Donnel also, it
brings a great improvmend of the Audio Sound.

You can do with the FT50 almost anything, just read ...

Greetings, ...

846. IC-2SAT MODS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al Cristaldi <megaman@cybernet1.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1d1a$1ad713a0$7b823ace@default>
Source record: 182034
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Looking for assistance with modifications to the Icom IC - 2SAT handheld to meter rig.
I wish to extend both the TX and RX capability of the radio, thanks.

73 DE AL KK7GV

847. Mods for TS-60?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Kassay <Michael.Kassay@sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <34B64F0E.1D15@sympatico.ca>
Source record: 182035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi..Im looking for any mods for the Kenwood TS-60 allmode 6m rig.

73 Mike
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* *
Michael Kassay - Barrie, Ontario, Canada.
VE3MKX
mailto:Michael.Kassay"at"Sympatico.ca
Packet - VE3MKX @ VE3FJB.#con.on.can.noam

848. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <695i6m$9t8$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182036

RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote:
> I would still like to see an actual landline sounder or a good drawing. I was
> hoping somebody would post one.

Morse's original is reprinted on

ftp://piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu/pub/Glowbugs/Historic/vail*.*

A fairly good schematic and drawing of the original sounders and inkers
is there.

Bob/NA4G

849. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: David Stockton <david_stockton@hp.com>
Message-ID: <34B651F5.1489@hp.com>
Source record: 182037
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dan Finn wrote:
> Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?

Maybe it was an indication of just how much they wanted to be saved
;-)

Cheers
David GM4ZNX

850. Re: How can I have CW QSOs on the Net?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <695j4n$9t8$3@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182038

William Lee <willee@interconnect.net> wrote:
> CW QSO's on the internet !!!
> Come on guys, That would be like blow up dolls in a whore house......
> Aint nothing like the real thing baby...
> William Lee N5WRX

True, but it might be a fun learning tool for those not licensed or
experienced in the art and craft. Even if only for that, it would
be a worthwhile effort. The exposure alone would be of value.
I could envision that morse training classes could be conducted
via the internet, of an evening, in broadcast or QSK modes.
What an adaptive use of ``hi-tech'' strategically.

But, you are right --- the real thing is much nicer.....(:+}}......

ZUT DE NA4G UP

851. Re: Question: How to broadcast??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B6530D.4556B1C6@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182039

If you are just looking at extending the range of your VCR or cable box to another set without having to run a cable there are several venders that offer a wireless system that starts around $50 and will work for about 100-200 feet. They are FCC accepted and perfectly legal to use.

73.....
Mark
WA0DCA

Aaron Weiss wrote:

> I recently noticed that if I hooked up a "rabbit-ears" to my VCR, that
> I could broadcast the signal on channel 3 or 4 about a foot to a
> nearby television set. I then put a standard Radio Shack 10db 75-ohm
> coax amplifier (part# 15-1118B) inline before the "rabbit-ears" and
> it increased the range of the signal to about 4 feet.
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> increase my broadcast range. Is an antenna the best way to increase
> range, or can I just daisy-chain these $13.00 10db amplifiers? Is
> there a single amplifier that would work well?
>
> Also, is there a way to broadcast FM using some pre-made device in the
> same way that VCR's transmit on channel 3 or 4? And, if there is, wha
> is the best way to increase the range?
>
> BTW - I realize that this activity violates some FCC rules, but I
> assure you that I am not planning to start my own TV station. I
> merely wish to learn more about this technology.
>
> Thanks.

852. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34B66DE6.12DE@no.net>
Source record: 182040

WB9IOG wrote:
>
> Bill Larson wrote:
> >
> > My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
> > KF7IL, Bill.
> Bill
> The easiest way is to go to
> http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/prod.html
> There you will find form 900 the new electronic form for renewal.
> It's real fast and easy to fill out- however there is a 60 or 90
> day pre expiration date you may have to wait for.
> Go to the site just to be familiar-they now ask for a SSN via the
> internet
> Mike
> Le Claire, Ia

Don't be sucked in by those (like W5YI), who will gladly do it for you,
for a fee of course. You can do it yourself for free.

853. Re: SW frequency ranges

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: paulc@easynet.co.uk
Message-ID: <19980109170603243252@paulc.easynet.co.uk>
Source record: 182041
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Arthur Squires <asquires@mailzone.com> wrote:

> I have just re-started SW listening after 15 years. Have been searching
> Web for over two hours and still can find no site with frequency limits
> of Ham bands between 1.8 to 30Mhz. I live in N.Ireland.
> Could some person please offer the info or point me to a website where
> they can be found listed.
> Thanks
> Arthur

From Northern Ireland if you're looking for DX on SSB

1830-1855 with lots of ragchewers above 1855
3700-3800 (with the DX in the top 15 Khz)
7040-7100
14100-14350
18100-18168
21150-21450
24930-24990
28300-29000 with most activity between 28300 and 28500

Paul

854. TS-830s 27 MHz mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980109090543.7717G-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182042

Andrew wrote: "I would like to enable full 27 MHz band on the TS-830s."

Hi Andrew,
Jim will tell you to cut diode D-16 on the main board. DON'T DO IT!!
That mod won't work on your rig. What you really need to do it to
cut *all* diodes. That's the only mod that will work. Trust me.
Just start snipping ever diode you see - especially those power-
wasting diodes in the power supply - you'll get out much better
once those pesky diodes are out of the way.
73,
Jeff KH2PZ/7 (providing free mods to all CBers and out-banders)

855. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B65A90.25C99E93@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182043

SCO wrote:

>
>
> Because the freq is too hard to remember

So is your phone number but you learned that and it has two more numbers you have to remember. (grin).

One of the major reasons you had to take a technical exam to got your license was to show that you understood the basics of radio and that you were capable of at least doing the basic operations of any radio transmitters that you had. If it is too hard to remember a single simplex frequency how do you ever remember to stay within the band limits or to use the correct mode within sub-bands? And heck I know a lot of hams that have a list of local repeaters and freqs clipped to the sun visor of the car. How much simpler can that be?

Actually that is really a non-issue with today's radios. I don't know of any two-meter mobiles or ht's that don't have a whole bunch of pre-set channels. You only have to remember it long enough to program it in an empty channel. Most rigs also have a priority channel that can be sampled even when you are on another frequency.

> and most of us have our
> radios set to operate on repeaters (split tx/rcv).

Again, a non-iussue for the same reasons already stated. Use a pre-set channel and it would not be needed. Besides give us a break Les, if remembering a single simplex frequency is too hard what makes you think that remembering two frequencies is going to be any easier? What's the offset? is it high or low?

73....
Mark
WA0DCA

856. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B65C80.C123DA40@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182044

Dwight Stewart wrote:

> REPLY...
>
> You have my support on this Bill. By the way, I think you mean
> 146.52, not 147.52. How can we go about promoting this frequency better
> nationwide?
>
> I had heard that 146.52 is supposed to be the nation-wide simplex
> calling frequency, but I have yet to hear a single word on this
> frequency. Perhaps a little better promotion is all it needs.
>
>

I think it depends on where you are. Here in the front range of Colorado
146.52 is very active.

73.....
Mark
WA0DCA

857. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: prografx@teleport.com
Message-ID: <695nig$406$1@news1.teleport.com>
Source record: 182045

andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:

>To all the people who responded with smart remarks-you just sit in your
>own little worlds and ponder the many ways to shit people up the wall.

>In article <884157016.983040019@dejanews.com>,
> andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:
>>
>> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
>> advise how, would be grateful.
>>
>> Regards
>> Andrew.
>>
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I hate to say it, but in my opinion you ASKED for it (with both
barrels)!

Asking how to modify high-powered amateur equipment for 27Mhz use on
THIS newsgroup is like stopping by the "fed.gov.dea.bust" newsgroup
and asking where you can buy some crack cocaine.

You have to consider that illegal use of amateur equipment is a
runaway epidemic worldwide in all bands. This problem is starting to
overflow into amateur bands because people with few brains and no clue
will have access to that radio that you want to modify.

Amateurs are understandably TOUCHY about these kinds of activities!

Steve
WB7PSD

858. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B65E85.AB11EAF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182046

CBRambo wrote:

>
>
> Like I really care what you believe. Sorry, Mr. HAMBO, you're not that
> important in the world.
>

At least I learned the code and past the test. You can't make the grade can
you?

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Hiding on mommy's aol account

73
Mark
WA0DCA

859. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b66520.2315739@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw> wrote:

>It will be interesting to see how HDTV develops.

>
>My guess and it is only a guess is that there will be so little interest
>in HDTV that congress will ask the FCC to drop the whole thing and we
>will still have NTSC for even more generations.
>

I got rid of my cable system and switched to DSS. Talk about a
difference. Digital is the way to go ... much better picture and
sound.i would never go back to cable. I have a second dish and can
even take it with me to field day or camping if I desire.

W4SCO

860. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b866c5.2736875@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182048

wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) wrote:

>> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
>>frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
>>your point about range.
>>
>>
>
> There already is a 6 meter National Freq it is 52.525

Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
lot easier to remember.

861. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B66443.3DE29377@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182049

SCO wrote:

> I need some info on how to best protect my gear from EMP (electro
> magnetic pulse ... created by an atomic bomb exploding in the
> atmosphere). Ham radio will be the main mode of communications after
> either a man-made (WWIII) or natural disaster
> (asteroid/earthquake/volcano/shifting polar poles/etc) and I want my
> gear to be able to work.
>
> If my radio shack is in an earth sheltered house (under ground) ... it
> would be protected?
>
> If it was in a concrete shell (with no windows) above ground, would it
> be protected? Would the room need to be lined with copper?
>
> W4SCO

The Antenna Book from ARRL gives a chapter on EMP and lightening protection. You use the same basic methods to protect from both. After all lightening is an EMP (g).

The simplest method is to disconnect the equipment from both antenna and power when not in use. Keep the power cords rolled up short so that the pulse does not induce voltage into them. Keep the rig away from any metal frames or objects that can induce a charge into the rig. Chances are the rig will survive.

You can also provide some protection for rigs that are operational by using good quality ionizing gas discharge devices and rf chokes on any cables (power, antenna, control) connected to the rig in conjunction with a good DC and RF ground system.

73.....
Mark
WA0DCA

862. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884369010.237830154@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182050

Bill Sohl thinks:

>> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 146.520 simplex
>> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes.

Leslie said:

> That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
> something like 148.000 mhz ???

Two things wrong with this:

1 -- "Five Two" has been the recognized national simplex calling
frequency for decades. Why "invent" a new one.

2 -- 148.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

> 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
> something like 54.00 mhz FM ???

Similarly, two problems:

1 -- 52.525MHz is the recognized National FM Simplex Calling Freq.
Let's not "invent" a new one.

2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

FISTS #0, NCI #0, KCI #1001, Turbo Beep-Beepers #1001

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863. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b9678a.2934474@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182051

rice@SPAMBLOCK.ttd.teradyne.com (John Rice) wrote:

>In article <34B5C3B9.23D7@sccoast.net>, Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>>> sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote...
>>>
>>>
>>> That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
>>> something like 148.000 mhz ???
>>
>> 146.52 has already been established as the nation-wide simplex calling
>>frequency. All it needs is better promotion.
>>
>>> 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
>>> something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
>>
>> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
>>frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
>>your point about range.
>
>52.525Mhz has been established as the nationwide 6M FM Simplex calling
>frequency for as long as I can remember (I had a mobile on that freq 36 years
>ago).
>
>'SCO' needs to go back to the books. Both his suggestions would put him
>'out of band'.
>

Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?

W4SCO

864. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: k0hb@juno.COM
Message-ID: <19980109.124135.-22058.0.k0hb@juno.com>
Source record: 182052

Hans said:

>>2 -- 148.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.
>>
>>
>>2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

Leslie responded:

>You might be right but explain the above statement to me.
>
>Our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0
>Our 6m band is 50.0 to 54.0
>
>I don't remeber anything saying that we can only get so close to the
>edge of the band, but there may well be something in the rules. If
>you are saying that some modes might go over the edge I don't remember
>anything saying that the band allocation (width) changes depending on
>the mode used (other than of course repeater pairs).
>
>educate me.
>
>Now if we were running a split for a repeater on 148 with a + then we
>would be out of band by 600kc.

Leslie,

The explanation as to why 148.000MHz and 54.000MHz would be illegal
calling frequencies is:

"§97.307 Emission standards.

b. Emissions resulting from modulation must be confined to the
band or segment available to the control operator."

FM transmissions on a "dial frequency" of 148.000MHz or 54.000MHz would
not be confined to a band assigned to the Amateur Radio service.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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I savour the rich warm glow of being much more ignorant
than ordinary people, who are only ignorant of ordinary
things.
--K0HB
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865. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
Message-ID: <34B670CF.49065F2B@direct.ca>
Source record: 182053

SCO wrote:

> Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
> to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?

Because 54.0 or 148.0 FM would put sidebands outside of the band -
all aspects of our transmissions must be in the band, not just the
carrier frequency.

...laura

866. Re: Rep. Tauzin to Downsize FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net
Message-ID: <695rlg$3jt$1@news.ptialaska.net>
Source record: 182054
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,rec.radio.amateur.misc

What kind of Klinton ALGORE stooge are you. The CIB has already been desimated by the "ALGORE reinvention of government" 1996 campain, and now some turncoat Demorat wants to do them some more damage. Get a life. If the commission is to heavy with employees, someone should look at the Lawyers, Economists, and Executives, that were hired in place of all the field staff, when the commission needed to figure out how much bandwidth should sell for. The Commission should be run by engineers,like it was 15 years ago, not by politico's, like it has for the last 5 years. Reed Hundt (a FOBH (Friend of Bill and Hilory)) was the worst thing that ever happened to this agency since its beginning. He let go, or forcibly retired 75% of the engineers, who made up the backbone of the technical expertiese of the commission. Now it is just another government politico waystation for good buddies of the Chief Executive. There is no enforcement going on any more, because there isn't the filed staff to do the work. There is no monitoring going on now, because they closed all the monitoring stations, and riff'ed all the staff. These people were the real technical backbone of the commission, not the big shots back in DC. If anyone wanted to fix the commission, they should clean house back at headquarters, and I mean really clean house, like fire anyone who doesn't have a degree in engineering, and triple the field staff, and put the commission back on a technical footing like it was intended to be. This agency was a nice place to do business with in the old days. when you asked a question you got an answer, from a qualified engineer who knew of where he spoke. He may have been an Administrator for the Commission, but he was first an engineer. Same with all the staff, except the secrataries, who very quickly picked up on what the agency was all about, and could handle most non technical questions very well. Now if you ask a question of the commission, there isn't anyone who can be reached by phone, who can give you an answer, but they can get back to you, after they research the question and go ask the few good engineering people who are left.
As far as I am concerened you and Rep. Tauzin can both stick it where the sun don't shine.

Bruce AL7AQ

867. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: k0hb@juno.COM
Message-ID: <19980109.125507.-22058.1.k0hb@juno.com>
Source record: 182055

Hans said:

>>2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

Leslie answered:

>If calling on 50.0 is ok why is calling on 54.0 illegal?

Calling on 50.000MHz FM is *not* OK. It is illegal for at
least two reasons:

1. The band segment 50.000-50.100 does not allow FM operation.
(§97.305c)

2. An FM signal at a "dial frequency" of 50.000 would have
modulation products not confined to a band assigned to
the Amateur Radio service. Thus it violates

"§97.307 Emission standards.

b. Emissions resulting from modulation must be confined
to the band or segment available to the control operator."

73, de Hans, K0HB

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DON'T LET YOURSELF BECOME KNOWLEDGEABLE OF PART 97. You will
regret it in the morning. There is some knowledge that is not
meant for the human mind to know.
--K0HB
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868. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884372773.519045123@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182056

Hans said:

>>2 -- 148.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.
>>
>>
>>2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

Leslie responded:

>You might be right but explain the above statement to me.
>
>Our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0
>Our 6m band is 50.0 to 54.0
>
>I don't remeber anything saying that we can only get so close to the
>edge of the band, but there may well be something in the rules. If
>you are saying that some modes might go over the edge I don't remember
>anything saying that the band allocation (width) changes depending on
>the mode used (other than of course repeater pairs).
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Leslie,

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869. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884372887.518455300@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182057

Hans said:

>>2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.

Leslie answered:

>If calling on 50.0 is ok why is calling on 54.0 illegal?

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least two reasons:

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870. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B67419.168ACD3F@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182058

charles copeland wrote:

>
>
> Not quite true. The internet is based on TCP/IP protocol.

Not to nit-pick but more to the point the internet Backbone is based on lower level packet store and forward type protocols. Such as X.25 Frame Relay, and the ever emerging ATM protocol.

> This
> protocol was orginally invented for military use. The strategy
> of non-centralized network means it would be very difficult to
> disable the internet.

Yes indeed it was. But, the military form was and is different than is used in the commercial internet. The military system will broadcast a packet over every available link to a destination with the theory that one will probably get through. The commercial network can not afford to use such bandwidth for the amount of traffic that it carries so it transmits a single packet to the destination using the best route available. If using any transmission protocol other than X.25 there is no error checking within the network to tell the originating end if the packet has reached the destination. And because of speed limitations, X.25 is becoming less used. The receiving end must use higher level protocols to tell it that there are missing packets. (And if it is the first packet in a communication it will never know it has missed something). Because the error checking is done by originator and destination, the delay can be quite bad if not make communication impossible when many packets start to be dropped by the network.

> Think of internet as a web with many
> interconnects. Blast a series of holes in it and yet the web
> remains intact with all remaining parts still connected.

In the United States, the basic high speed backbone of the internet only has a few nodes across the country. Many of these nodes only have two or three links to other prime nodes in the backbone. All of the transmission facilities use common carriers who many times share the same physical facilities. It would not take many "hits" to backbone nodes to kill the net.

> About the only way to disable it would be to simultaneously
> set off hundreds of nuclear bombs emitting EMI over all major
> communication hubs.

You could probably do it with three.

> You would still have satellite communications
> and a large number of cellular phones with PCS ability.

Satellites provide only limited bandwidth and has inherent delay problems to be overcome to be used to replace downed land lines. They do provide excellent emergency communications when using systems designed specifically for them.

Both analog and digital pcs type cell phones depend on the local switching network. In any disaster area these facilities are always overloaded for hours to days after a major problem. The cell sites themselves are often put out of service due to damage or loss of communication with the local network.

Access to the net is almost always through some type of local wire type communications facilities. If these are damaged or overloaded communications will be impaired by this method. There is often a loss of commercial power. Not many computer users have emergency power generators.

Emergency communications must be highly mobile and independent of local power and communications lines. Often emergencies occur in locations that do not have easy access to land lines or cell sites. More often the land lines and cell sites are damaged and can not be used or are overloaded. Ham radio has always provided the resources and mobility needed to fill in and help out when the normal systems break down.

In the San Fran earthquake several years ago I was working with a carrier who had one of their backbone nodes in the city. The node survived the quake and they only lost one of the three links that connected it with the rest of the network. Even though it survived and could have been sending traffic it had zero use for over a week because all of the users had lost local power or the link that connected them to the switch.

73....
Mark
WA0DCA
Advanced Data Network Engineer

871. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B678FD.AB9C3C23@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182059

cbbimbo wrote:

> So, maybe it's time to come full-circle. Admit that amateur radio has
> served a
> useful purpose in the history of communications in this country, but also be
>
> brave enough to admit that it's approach, it's means, and it's methods are
> now
> very primitive, as measured by today's cutting-edge modes of communication.

So ham radio only uses primitive methods? How about spread spectrum, satellite, data, only to mention a few.

> After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out
> mechanical
> noises on a brass key...

Because it is fun for one thing. They love the "art" of radio and want to be proficient in it. How about the pride of having accomplished something by putting in a little work rather than just have it handed to them on a silver platter?

> and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on
> receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order
> to
> communicate around the world?

Hundreds of thousands of dollars? Hey CB you can build a cw rig and get on the air for a hundred bucks..... But of course you would have to learn the code to do that.

> Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their
> pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less)

Don't hold your breath on this one. If the FCC and local phone companies get their way we will all be paying a per minute charge for internet access using dial phones by the end of the year. The industry is talking that this is already a done deal...

> can purchase a used Pentium
> computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions,
> atmospherics, man-made interference, or signal jammers.

And you are proof positive that using the internet one does not even have to have a brain to be able to talk to usenet.

> Maybe it's time to pay
> our final respects to "the old girl" and lie her to rest, gracefully,

So what is stopping you from doing just that? I sure don't see anyone keeping you chained to this newsgroup or to your radio. Unless you want to admit that the only reason you are around here is to be the little troll that you are.

> before
> the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.

Just wait till the government and commercial interest do what they want to with the internet.

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

At home in the trailer park using mommy's aol account.

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

He tries but it's hard to hear him from behind mommy's skirts....

73.....
Mark
WA0DCA

872. Dearg West Memphis Ar.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Carl Richardson <KB5FJX@CSWNET.COM>
Message-ID: <6960tl$f20$1@news.csw.net>
Source record: 182060

come check out our site at:
http://www.media-two.com/dearg.htm

send comments to kb5fjx@mail.cswnet.com

873. Re: Rep. Tauzin to Downsize FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ray Avar <hortico@ivxnet.net>
Message-ID: <6961j6$59o@ecuador.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182061
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,rec.radio.amateur.misc

You obviously do not have the remotest concept of
the FCC's mission & purpose.
The agency NEVER was, and is not now, intended to
be your personal resource for technical information!
That was only something that personnel did on a time
available basis to promote goodwill. Unfortunately,
those few people in the field offices who were willing
to do this for the public were the most productive
employees of the commission. So productive and busy,
in fact, that they did not have time to play politics and gain
the favor of upper level FCC managers. When the
field offices were cleaned out two years ago, these
hard working people were the first to go because they
had not played the corrupt political game and kissed
upper management's ass. As a result, what's left in the
field offices now are the protected political class, the
ass kissers, good ole boys, and sons of FCC managers.
In other words, the people left in the field offices are
worthless trash, lazy & incompetent. Thus, you get the
impression that the field offices are understaffed. No,
they are not! They just don't have the quality people
anymore.
Rep. Tauzin has some faults, but he is on the right
track. Don't sell him short. He wants to finally rid the
FCC of the worthless political trash, downsize it, and put
people in positions who are dedicated and honest and
will serve the public.
The fraud, waste, and abuse taking place at field
offices now would shock the public, only if the media
would report it to the public.
The only beneficiary of the 1996 FCC/CIB downsizing
and reorganization is private industry. The quality FCC
employees who were forced out by FCC management
are now working in private industry, probably making
a lot more money too!
That's another thing! Don't blame all the problems
today on Reed Hundt. He had a job & did it, as ordered
by Clinton. The real culprits for the mess that the FCC
& CIB are in today are the same career FCC/CIB
managers who have been with the FCC for decades.
They sold Hundt a bill of crap and in the process back
stabbed their own subordinates. AND guess what, the
same worthless, corrupt FCC/CIB managers are still

on the job today, in the same positions, only difference is that they all gave themselves big fat promotions, cash bonuses, and pay raises. Just like the former Southeast Regional Director Carl Pyron. He lost his region, but his FCC manager buddies gave him an all expense paid government move to his home state, Texas, and set him up in a lavish office where he micro manages the coffee mess today, for the same $100,000 a year he made when he mismanaged the Southeast region for years from his office in Atlanta. Career bureaucrats NEVER change and NEVER go away. Pyron retired years ago, came back as a rehired annuitant and is STILL on the FCC's payroll! He's probably the single biggest example of fraud, waste, and abuse in the FCC/CIB today! And, there are many others like him.

874. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b68e5b.351210@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182062

Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca> wrote:

>SCO wrote:
>
>> Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
>> to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?
>
>Because 54.0 or 148.0 FM would put sidebands outside of the band -
>all aspects of our transmissions must be in the band, not just the
>carrier frequency.
>
>...laura

I was thinking SSB, thanks for correcting me.
Maybe we could use 145.0 or 147.0 in the 2m band and 53.0 in the 6m
band. We (hams) are not really setup to work car to car on a highway
traffic jam situation.

875. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f1fe3f356e4c9b698993a@news.planet.net>
Source record: 182063

In article <34b89b78.3645157@news.mindspring.com>, sco@sco-inc.com
says...
> >I have always liked the idea of having a channel(s) set aside for local
> >calling or distress and encourage people to monitor that channel(s) as
> >much as possible. Aviation and marine service have calling and distress
> >channels and the system works quite well. Why can't a "national simplex
> >frequency" like 146.52 be designated for calling or distress only?
>
> Because the freq is too hard to remember and most of us have our
> radios set to operate on repeaters (split tx/rcv). Now if a universal
> repeater pair could be established so our radios listen on one 2m freq
> but are set to transmit on another 2m freq, that might work.
>
> Les
> W4SCO

????? 146.52 to hard to remember?? Everyone I know has it programmed
into memory and can go there with a turn of the dial. Besides, all the
radios I know that are made have a function that allow you to disable the
auto repeater function. Besides, if you think about your proposal,
you'll see why it can't work without a physical repeater. 1/2 the people
won't be able to hear you as they must set the opposite split to hear
you.

YOU tx 146.385 rx 146.985 ME tx 146.985 rx 146.385 what's wrong
with this picture??

Good idea tho...more people should monitor .52 in areas not served by
wide coverage repeaters. And even then those repeaters should be
monitored by someone. Usually all yopu get back is a squelch tail

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Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

876. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f1fe5ad44a7c6f098993c@news.planet.net>
Source record: 182064

[This followup was posted to rec.radio.amateur.misc and a copy was sent
to the cited author.]

In article <34b59d07.14780891@news.olywa.net>, whlarson@olywa.net says...
> My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
> KF7IL, Bill.
>
Get a copy of the revised 610 form, fill in the parts called for and mail
to Gettysburg. You have 2 years to renew.

You'll find it at http://www.fcc.gov/formpage.html

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Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

877. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B69514.64BAF7F5@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182065

SCO wrote:

>
>
> Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
> to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?
>
> W4SCO

Yep! NONE of your signal can go outside of the band limits. If you operated on 54.0 or 148.0 your modulation would take your signal outside of the band which would earn you a citation for out of band operation.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

878. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884384193.1109983248@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182066

Bill Larson wrote:

> My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
> KF7IL, Bill.

For renewal of your amateur operator/primary station grant, you may file your application electronically using FCC Form 900, Application for Electronic Renewal of Wireless Radio Services Authorizations.

You can only use Form 900 during a 120 day renewal window preceding the expiration date shown on your license grant.

FCC Form 900 may only be submitted electronically. No FCC Form 900 document applications will be accepted.

You may access FCC Form 900 on the FCC web page at:

http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/electcom.html

Click on any item number for filing instructions. After electronically filing the form, click on Electronic Renewal Query to view or print the information submitted. Upon successfully submitting Form 900, click on the "Continue" button. Although there is no fee for renewal of an amateur service license grant, the screen will prompt you with a Fee Remittance Advice, FCC Form 159. You will see the message "No Fee Required." You will be required to enter your Social Security Number or your telephone number.

You may also use a FCC Form 610 paper document to apply for renewal.

Order the 610 form from (800) 418-FORM (3676), or download it from the web at:

http://www.fcc.gov/formpage.html

or call the FCC Fax-on-demand system (202) 418-0177 from the handset of a facsimile machine.

Mail your completed Form 610 (no fee) to the following address:

FCC
1270 Fairfield Road
Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

73, de Hans, K0HB

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

879. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109232401.SAA18085@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182067

>From: andrewc@cyberdude.com

>To all the people who responded with smart remarks-you just sit in your
>own little worlds and ponder the many ways to shit people up the wall.

>> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s.

Ok , now, just why would anyone want to help in a case like this? Are you the
same helpful folks who sell and distribute the books on do-it-yourself
assination, or fertilizer bomb building?

Just because something can be done doesn't mean it should be done.

KMB

880. Re: Rep. Tauzin to Downsize FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
Message-ID: <696d6iste1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182068
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bruce & Debora Gordon wrote:
>
> What kind of Klinton ALGORE stooge are you. The CIB has already been
> desimated by the "ALGORE reinvention of government" 1996 campain, and
> now some turncoat Demorat wants to do them some more damage. Get a
> life. If the commission is to heavy with employees, someone should
> look at the Lawyers, Economists, and Executives, that were hired in
> place of all the field staff, when the commission needed to figure out
> how much bandwidth should sell for. The Commission should be run by
> engineers,like it was 15 years ago, not by politico's, like it has for
> the last 5 years. Reed Hundt (a FOBH (Friend of Bill and Hilory)) was
> the worst thing that ever happened to this agency since its beginning.
> He let go, or forcibly retired 75% of the engineers, who made up the
> backbone of the technical expertiese of the commission. Now it is just
> another government politico waystation for good buddies of the Chief
> Executive. There is no enforcement going on any more, because there
> isn't the filed staff to do the work. There is no monitoring going on
> now, because they closed all the monitoring stations, and riff'ed all
> the staff. These people were the real technical backbone of the
> commission, not the big shots back in DC. If anyone wanted to fix the
> commission, they should clean house back at headquarters, and I mean
> really clean house, like fire anyone who doesn't have a degree in
> engineering, and triple the field staff, and put the commission back on
> a technical footing like it was intended to be. This agency was a nice
> place to do business with in the old days. when you asked a question
> you got an answer, from a qualified engineer who knew of where he
> spoke. He may have been an Administrator for the Commission, but he
> was first an engineer. Same with all the staff, except the
> secrataries, who very quickly picked up on what the agency was all
> about, and could handle most non technical questions very well. Now if
> you ask a question of the commission, there isn't anyone who can be
> reached by phone, who can give you an answer, but they can get back to
> you, after they research the question and go ask the few good
> engineering people who are left.
> As far as I am concerened you and Rep. Tauzin can both stick it where
> the sun don't shine.
>
> Bruce AL7AQ
>
>

Absolutely correct!

73,

<<< DAN >>>

881. Re: Mode Designators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109232801.SAA19658@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182069

>I am looking for a list of modes for amateur radio in a format that links
>them with their alphanumeric designator. I would like to find one that shows
>the modes as names (ie. SSB, CW, RTTY, etc) and pairs them up with their
>equivalent designator (ie. J3E, A1A, etc).
>
>

See Part 97, rules of the FCC.

K�MB

882. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B69F8A.344F@icss.net>
Source record: 182070
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> Gary Reichow <gjr1@po17.rv.unisys.com> wrote:
>
> >Jim,
> > And on the other hand, you will probably
> >get 2500 JA QSL cards because they are such
> >good QSL'ers (and I might add good ops as well)
> > 73 - Gary KN0V
>
> I think I can agree with at least half of that, Gary.
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

1250 QSL cards?

Brian/N0iMD

883. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34B6B7C2.7283@concentric.net>
Source record: 182071
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

It isn't probably illegal, it IS illegal. Also, the antenna analyzers
use minimal wattage - less than a modified Xciever puts out for sure.

Keeping amateur radio clean has nothing to do with holes in the ozone
layer, clean water, clean air... It has everything to do with
preventing ham radio from being a heap of crap like CB has been.

Buy the right equipment and uphold the itegrity of good amateur
operating ethics.

de KI5XW
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++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++
+ To reply, remove ".junkmailfilter" +
+ from the address. +
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++

&miker wrote:
>
> michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
> >
> > Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> > frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> > the resonance points.
> >
> > ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> > http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
>
> You're getting a lot of the usual crap that goes on here. Don't
> understand
> why some people think they can withold info that's readily available.
>
> Check out www.qrz.com radio mods database.
>
> You'll also need wideband if you want to use a transverter.
>
> Some people even use it on...well...you-know. But remember, it's
> illegal to listen to cellphones. Sorry, guys,
> I just couldn't resist stirring the ant farm.
>
> As for tuning antennas, I prefer the noise bridge. You can write a
> CAT program in basic that plots the antenna (SWR) vs frequency.
>
> When you get right down to it, it's probably technically illegal to use

> ANY signal source outside the ham band to tune your antenna...even
> if it's inside a nifty antenna analyzer or GDO. Wonder how many
> "rule inforcers" have written to MFJ about their illegal antenna
> analyzers????

884. Re: TS-830s 27 MHz mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
Message-ID: <696dceste2@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 182072

J. Herman wrote:
>
> Andrew wrote: "I would like to enable full 27 MHz band on the TS-830s."
>
> Hi Andrew,
> Jim will tell you to cut diode D-16 on the main board. DON'T DO IT!!
> That mod won't work on your rig. What you really need to do it to
> cut *all* diodes. That's the only mod that will work. Trust me.
> Just start snipping ever diode you see - especially those power-
> wasting diodes in the power supply - you'll get out much better
> once those pesky diodes are out of the way.
> 73,
> Jeff KH2PZ/7 (providing free mods to all CBers and out-banders)

It will also give you that "Big Strapper" audio...

<<< DAN >>>

885. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET
Message-ID: <884390803.1449721867@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182073

In article <34B651F5.1489@hp.com>,
David Stockton <david_stockton@hp.com> wrote:
>
> Dan Finn wrote:
> > Did these people really *deserve* to get saved when
> > they used such an outdated mode to call out for help?
>
> Maybe it was an indication of just how much they wanted to be saved
> ;-)
>
> Cheers
> David GM4ZNX

god.. how can you say such a thing.. if one of our
no code supporters had been listening .. they would
not have been saved.. I can just see it now..Hey Cec..
was does ... --- ... ... --- ... mean ? " Now why
would I care.. thats that stupid morse stuff , yep
I think thats what they called that stuff.. oh god
back in the cave man days... any who.. will you stop
bothering me.. the skip is in.. and I got to get back
to the number 224 usb.. 12 in texas.. c'mon c'mon...
bring it back...
8tt

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

886. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: David- <david084@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6BBB9.7F6D@flash.net>
Source record: 182074
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>
> In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
> >
> >>
> >> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
> >> wrote:
> >>
> >> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
> oven already
> >> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
> public seems
> >> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
> decades, in spite
> >> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
> >
> > Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
> >while its operating?
>
> I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave
> ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that
> "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure
> for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you
> using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter,
> are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating
> something you read somewhere?
>
> I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any
> technical basis.
>
> Michelle Hunt
> Michell5@ix.netcom.com

Yes...me too. I have two microwaves and I regularly check them for
leaks and they have very little if any radiation along any axis coming
out of them. He must be buying those microwaves Dave Letterman throws
out the window!
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The Global Warming theory is based upon JUNK SCIENCE!
Do not go to this site unless your a conservative!

http://junkscience.com/index.shtml

887. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B69CEE.686B5BAD@flash.net>
Source record: 182075

Hans Brakob wrote:

> Hans said:
>
> >>2 -- 148.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.
> >>2 -- 54.000MHz would be an illegal calling frequency.
>
> Leslie responded:
>
> >You might be right but explain the above statement to me.
> >
> >Our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0
> >Our 6m band is 50.0 to 54.0
> >
> >I don't remeber anything saying that we can only get so close to the
> >edge of the band, but there may well be something in the rules. If
> >you are saying that some modes might go over the edge I don't remember
> >anything saying that the band allocation (width) changes depending on
> >the mode used (other than of course repeater pairs).

Leslie, I missed the original post but I thought I'd dump in my two cents
worth. If anyone thinks I'm wrong, dump one in.

50.0 Mhz would be fine as a calling frequency for CW, since CW has zero
bandwidth and your signal would not go below 50 Mhz.
54.0 Mhz could be used if you were on lower sideband since your modulation
would not take you above 54.0 Mhz
The same would apply for 2m. I think what the others were trying to point
out is that if your signal is 3Khz wide while running phone you can
potentially have emmisions outside of the band if your operating exactly on
the edge.

Tim

888. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6A3AB.6A0CA673@flash.net>
Source record: 182076

SCO wrote:

> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
> Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
> lot easier to remember.

God I hope he's joking

889. Re: Amateur Radio in JA: "No Coders" use Code.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: mike <mike@endor.com>
Message-ID: <696en4$ad1@snews3.zippo.com>
Source record: 182077

ANYONE CAN USE IT IF YOU HAVE ENOUGH LICENSE
CrACKeD wrote in message ...
>
><snip>
>
>> CrACKeD....
>> I understand the point you are trying to make very well, but your logic
>> is badly flawed. Take a close look at the HF Amateur Radio frequency
>> allocation and the charts which describe the modes of operation allowed.
>> You will find that CW is ALLOWED on every HF frequency. That is ONE
>> good reason for keeping the cw REQUIREMENT in the testing process for HF
>> band amateur licenses.
>>
>> Sorry CrACKeD... your argument just doesn't hold water.
>>
>> Regards and 73's
>>
>> Frank de K7RMJ dit..dit
>
>And although CW is allowed (who uses CW on a voice segment of a band,
>anyway?), it isn't required. Thus, your argument holds just as much water
>as mine.
>
>

890. The Seafarer's Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger D. Pender Jr." <n6gl@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B6CE91.1955@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 182078

Does anyone know the times and frequency for the Seafarer's Net? Also, is there an internet site which lists: a). nets and frequencies or B). repeater frequencies?

tnx es 73, Roger, N6GL

891. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Peter Gottlieb <peter_gottlieb@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <OeKxcxWH9GA.236@upnetnews03>
Source record: 182079

Also, don't forget that the older tube-type boatanchor
equipment is more resistant than solid state equipment
to massive overloads.

892. Re: Wanted a REAL RTTY printer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R0901981918550001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 182080
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <6947uj$d23$1@newsd-144.iap.bryant.webtv.net>, xandes@webtv.net (R. Alexander King) wrote:

>I don't know if this qualifies as a "Boatanchor" but I would probably
>think so if I didn't want one....
>I am looking for a real RTTY input and printing station....I am NOT
>looking for software, a multimode TNC, or any piece of equipment which
>requires a computer.
>I have never seen an RTTY station...but I imagine it is prob very
>similar to an old printer dumb terminal or an old TELEX station....
>If anyone out there has one of these, or can point me in the right
>direction I would certainly appreciate it.

I have a Teletype Corp model 28KSR (Keyboard Send/Receive). There are no computers or electronics in this unit; it is all gears, belts and levers. It stands about four feet high, is heavy and awkward, but it is yours free if you arrange to have it picked up or shipped.

I am located 40 miles south of Reno, Nevada.

73, Dick
dick@libelle.com
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Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

893. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B6F6C8.77F1@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 182081
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Glen Quarnstrom wrote:
> >
> > Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
> > >By the way Gary, I've missed your posting here where you complain that
> > >the Government is imposing a "subsidy" on hams in the form of an CW
> > >test.
> > >I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
> > >to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
> > >of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.
> >
> > One major difference is that one supports an ancient technology, and
> > the other supports a change to a newer and supposedly better
> > technology.
> >
> > Now, if the Feds were subsidizing B/W TV on 8 inch screens, you might
> > have a case.
>
Hmmmm...Since every member of the public is going to be forced to
purchase a very expensive all-new technology television to replace each
one currently in use, it's not the government but we individuals who
will foot the huge bill for HDTV. That's after all the mandated
extremely heavy investment by each and every braodcast station for all
new plant.
This marks the end of free off-air TV as we have always known it since
the beginning of TV broadcasting. Now *There's* something for you to
bitch about.
Yes, it's all-new technology, and surely a better picture will be
received by all. But I don't happen to believe the difference between
HDTV and the digital DSS system I now use will be anywhere near worth
the investment required. It has as good a picture as I want and would
willingly pay for, and I'm one who appreciates good video, having worked
as a TV broadcast engineer.

Dick W0EX

894. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B6D256.8EF3DD60@flash.net>
Source record: 182082

CBRambo wrote:

> Why not just quit with the RADIO COP lecture and tell the guy how to modify his
> radio to do what he wants it to do? If he wants to freeband, he will
> freeband...one way or another. Would you rather he do it on a quality piece of
> equipment like a TS830 or via a "hack job" on a Golden Screwdriver CB that will
> then splatter and cause harmonics all across the spectrum?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

This is absolutely the most ridiculous statement I've seen you make yet. Gee why should we incarcerate people who steal? I guess your attitude would be since they are going to steal anyway we should teach them easier ways to do it eh? Guess it doesn't matter much to you that it's against the law huh? Well uh, gosh Judge every one else is stealing cars, all I wanted to know is how I could do it to.

To answer your second question, yes, I'd rather see him do a 'hack job' and in the process destroy the finals, screw up the audio section, and with any luck screw up the VFO so bad that he cant talk to anyone. Then he could unload his 830 at a swap for $100, I'll buy it, restore it to original spec and enjoy it on the ham bands. (where it belongs). If he wants to convert it that bad, let him study RF circuits like the rest of us. Perhaps after having some good discussions on .homebrew he'll realize how much fun it might be to build and operate an amateur station and communicate with others who share the same interests, instead of continuing with the CB mentality of adding a 'kicker' and cranking up the mic gain in hopes of reaching more 'skipland'.

Tim, ka8ddz

895. Call sign certificates and call sign graphics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Sam Alfano <sam@alfano.com>
Message-ID: <696tmq$2hv$1@kiyoko.communique.net>
Source record: 182083
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap

W5SN makes the finest call sign certificates available. Printed on heavy diploma stock, these lithograph certificates look fantastic in your ham shack. Order by e-mail using the Honor System. Visit http://www.alfano.com/ham

Call sign graphics also available.

W5SN

896. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109011001.UAA06418@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182084

So, maybe it's time to come full-circle. Admit that amateur radio has served a useful purpose in the history of communications in this country, but also be brave enough to admit that it's approach, it's means, and it's methods are now very primitive, as measured by today's cutting-edge modes of communication. After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out mechanical noises on a brass key...and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order to communicate around the world? Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less) can purchase a used Pentium computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions, atmospherics, man-made interference, or signal jammers. Maybe it's time to pay our final respects to "the old girl" and lie her to rest, gracefully, before the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Okay, Mr CB Rambo, I said I wouldn't do it, but I'm coming up for the bait. Why do the naysayers and doom&gloomers and the I don't need no stinkin' ham radio guys and bootleggers and frs types insist on congregating on the HAM newsgroups, where they could find help, friendship and encouragement but find only enmity because they insist on attacking the precepts of the group? Why do you seem to take so much pleasure in earning and receiving discourtesy and disrespect?
I'm certain your views would meet with more approval on the CB newsgroups, and that you could engage in less combative dialog there. It reminds me of a man with plenty of friends in his side of town who goes into a bar in another part of town with the purpose of getting himself into a fight where he is outnumbered them to one. It's like a KKK guy hanging out on a Black Panther newsgroup, or vice versa. Yes, you have honest opinions that you genuinely believe in, and no, I have no business telling you that you cannot state them, but when you know that you will not be able to convert anybody over to your way of thinking, whether you talk nice or "tough", why bother bringing them out in this ng?

I think you will be much happier if you voice anti-ham opinions where they are welcome, where they are shared, and return when you sign with a callsign instead of a "handle". There is no need for turning controversy into argument, or open dialog into shouting matches.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

897. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109012600.UAA09660@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182085

Thanks for the info, Gary. I forgot about the tickertape machine and the Jacqard loom. I hadn't forgotten about the punchcards... my mother was a keypress operator for a while.

In the Navy on my ship the ECU, which we would call CPU now, used punched tape for loading the program. (For the main propulsion control and surveillance equipment.)

I would still like to see an actual landline sounder or a good drawing. I was hoping somebody would post one.

Gary writes:
>
>Actually, Morse's machine used a pen to make marks on a moving paper
>strip, driven by a clockwork mechanism. This was intended to be read by eye.
>The pen was activated by an electromagnet. Pen down and pen up made distinct
>click-clack sounds defining the element leading and trailing timing edges.
>Operators soon learned that they could tell what character was being sent by
>the click-clack sounds made by the pen. Since they had to transcribe the
>marks
>to readable plain text anyway, and it was slower to keep looking up at the
>paper
>strip and back down at their copy blank, they started just copying by the
>sound
>of the pen.
>
>Similarly, Morse's encoding machine used an encoder called a "port rule"
>which was driven past a switch by a clockwork mechanism. The port rule
>had notched sections assembled on it corresponding to the characters to
>be sent. These notches worked the switch. Setting up a message on the
>port rule was similar to setting type (Morse stole several of his ideas from
>the printing industry). Setting type by hand is clumsy and time consuming,
>so operators started to just manipulate the switch directly by hand. Later,
>sounders sans pen were designed, and keys intended to be hand operated
>were designed, and we got the traditional "Morse" telegraph.
>
>But the paper tape idea didn't go away for a hundred years. Thomas
>Edison revived it in a different form in a device he called the ticker
>tape machine. He figured most people wouldn't bother to learn Morse
>so that they could have a telegraph in their homes, but they might accept
>a device which printed readable text on a paper strip. Unfortunately for
>Edison, Bell showed his telephone the same year, and it won the home
>market instead of the ticker tape machine. Tickers were sold to businesses
>who needed a written record of

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

898. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <694182$du5$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182086

In article <19980108034901.WAA12427@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com says...

>> Wrong again, Mr. Know-it-all HAMBO. I've passed the
>>all-important Morse code
>> examination. Unlike you and others like you who
>>continue to stick their heads
>> in the sand, however, I realize that
>>continuing the requirement in 1998 does
>> nothing to help...and in fact is
>>hurting amateur radio.
>
>
>And what class ticket do you have? What's the call?
>>Quit hiding behind some fictious
>name and maybe we can take something you
>>say a serious.
>--
>
>Sure thing. That way I can also be libeled, harassed, mailbombed, etc., by
you
>clowns on USENET. No, thanks. Who I am is not important. Hey, I've got
>it...why don't y'all take the time you waste trying to guess my identity and
>use it to try and figure out a way to save your dying hobby?
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You choose to remain anonymous through your AOL screen name. Fine. Let's see how you responded to someone else who posted anonymously:

quoting cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) on 1997/11/27

-Another real "tough guy", a/k/a "gutless wonder" who talks tough from behind
-the safety of an anonymous hotmail address.
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-
-"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
- "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
-
end quote.

I think the reason cbrambo hides behind an AOL screen name is so that he can also make racist posts on ks.misc. Just check dejanews.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

899. Re: Change ARRL Board (was Re: The League *is* amateur radio)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b593e1.1702154@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182087

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34b63d44.4005842@news.mindspring.com>, SCO <sco@sco-inc.com> wrote:
>
>>I would like to see the Board organized by license class, one director
>>for each class. Members who are Techs would be the only members voting
>>to elect the TECH Director to the Board. Novices would do the same as
>>would the Extras and so forth.
>
>This makes no sense, unless there is some underlying reason why the
>interests of Novice-class hams would somehow be different than General
>or Extra-class hams.
>
Of course it does! I am sure Novice and Tech and Tech plus hams would
have a very different attitude towards the CW testing ala upgrading to
HF as compared with the present HF hams on the board now.

>According to the ARRL bylaws, any league member who is a tech-or-above-class
>license holder, and has been a member for two years, can run for office.
>So, ask yourself: why don't more techs run for and get elected to
>positions like SM, Division Director, etc.?

Probably because most General/Advanced and Extra class ham members
would not vote for them over one of their own.

>
>>L. Scofield
>>W4SCO
>>Extra Class (started as No Code Tech)
>>ARRL member
>>AMSAT member
>

900. SW frequency ranges

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Arthur Squires <asquires@mailzone.com>
Message-ID: <34B5950E.4078@mailzone.com>
Source record: 182088
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have just re-started SW listening after 15 years. Have been searching
Web for over two hours and still can find no site with frequency limits
of Ham bands between 1.8 to 30Mhz. I live in N.Ireland.
Could some person please offer the info or point me to a website where
they can be found listed.
Thanks
Arthur
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asquires@mailzone.com

901. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b6971f.2532253@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182089

rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>
>So, maybe it's time to come full-circle. Admit that amateur radio has served a
>useful purpose in the history of communications in this country, but also be
>brave enough to admit that it's approach, it's means, and it's methods are now
>very primitive, as measured by today's cutting-edge modes of communication.
>After all, why should someone spend hours, learning how to tap out mechanical
>noises on a brass key...and then spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on
>receivers, transmitters, tri-banders, towers, antenna tuners, etc., in order to
>communicate around the world? Today, anyone with $500 (or less) in their
>pocket, a phone line, and $19.95/month (or less) can purchase a used Pentium
>computer and accomplish the same thing, regardless of band conditions,
>atmospherics, man-made interference, or signal jammers. Maybe it's time to pay
>our final respects to "the old girl" and lie her to rest, gracefully, before
>the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.
>

One problem ... ham radio may be the only method of communication
during or after WWIII (2000+) or if a major meteor hits the country
(prediction is for Nevada in June 1999), earthquakes, volcanos, etc.
Phone system will be down, the only things still going will be
satellites and ham radio.

Les
W4SCO

902. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b799db.3231890@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182090

>>
>> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
>> > I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
>> > as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
>> > extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
>> > no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
>> > a universal 2m mobile channel.
>
>I travel the interstates quite a bit. I have one rig tuned to 146.52,
>and call on that frequency quite often when I'm on top of a hill.
>Consider this: two mobiles travelling at 70 mph are closing on each
>other at 140 mph; If both mobiles have a ten mile range, that gives them
>a twenty mile window; (10 to the front and 10 to the rear); and the
>window of opportunity to talk to each other lasts only nine minutes or
>so; If I call every 5 minutes I could have only a 4 minute chat. I also
>have a cb tuned to 9 and 19, another 2 & 1 1/4 meter rig that switches to
>the closest repeater programmed into my laptop that is running APRS and
>connected to a gps receiver. This makes the road time much more
>enjoyable as I make trips from Texas to Cleveland and New England. It's
>normal now for me to cover 720 miles per day, but I used to go for 1200
>per day. I can't do that any more. Jim W0oog/5

That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
something like 148.000 mhz ???

6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
Les
W4SCO

903. CrAcKeD's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: jherman@sierra.NET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.980108185823.22396C-100000@diamond.sierra.net>
Source record: 182091

Crack-user wrote: There are areas of the HF (amateur) bands allocated
for voice-only..."

Really? Could you please list those frequencies for us? The rules
state that CW is allowed everywhere on every band. (And if the
digital machines continue their downward progression to the lower
band edges, expect to start hearing more and more CW in the traditional
voice segments.)

Jeff KH2PZ/7

904. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b89b78.3645157@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 182092

Curtis Wheeler <cwheeler@ccnet.com> wrote:

>Bill Sohl wrote:
>>
>> sco@mindspring.com (SCO) wrote:
>>
>> >>Wayne Greene.
>> >>>Again, CBers who become hams is a different catagory than hams who
>> >>>might turn to CB; the latter class is certainly a very small minority.
>>
>> >When I am in a traffic jam on the highway I turn on my CB to find out
>> >what is happening. I can't very well call someone on my 2m rig.
>> >Perhaps if we hams could devise a plan for something like Channel 19
>> >on CB we would turn on our 2m radios instead of the cb.
>> >W4SCO
>>
>> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
>> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
>> extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
>> no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
>> a universal 2m mobile channel.
>
>Most hams will just keep their 2m rig on their favorite repeater.
>
>I usually have mine set to 146.52 (when I feel like having 2m turned on)
>since I don't have a regular, favorite two meter repeater. Otherwise
>its set to 156.800 since I am more interested in boating than 2m ham
>radio.
>
>You make a good point. If you came upon my car while you were driving
>down a freeway and saw my callsign plates, would you even attempt to
>call me on 52? I don't think most people would bother becasue we just
>don't seem to practice 'universal mobile communication'.
>
>I have always liked the idea of having a channel(s) set aside for local
>calling or distress and encourage people to monitor that channel(s) as
>much as possible. Aviation and marine service have calling and distress
>channels and the system works quite well. Why can't a "national simplex
>frequency" like 146.52 be designated for calling or distress only?

Because the freq is too hard to remember and most of us have our
radios set to operate on repeaters (split tx/rcv). Now if a universal
repeater pair could be established so our radios listen on one 2m freq
but are set to transmit on another 2m freq, that might work.

Les
W4SCO

905. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109040401.XAA04423@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182093

In article <68kmbd$4uf$1@whitecliff.sierra.net>, "No Spam Please"
<onoiml8@bigfoot.com> writes:

>>Bill Gates has always been a visionary but unfortunely his vision may
>not
>include Amateur Radio if it conflicts with his interest and affects
>his
>profit margins.
>
>
>KF4HMN
>

A visionary?!?!?!?! Um, I don't think so. I would call Mr. Gates
>many
things, both good and bad. But a visionary he is not! Now those who
>work
for him and under him.....well, that's another story

ROFLMAO!!! Bill Gates a "visionary?" The same guy who said
something like "all you'll ever need is 64K of RAM and an 8-bit
operating system?" The guy who invented the 640K RAM barrier
as a "vision" of the greatest, best-case evoloution of the personal
computer? IMHO, Gates succeeded mainly because he found
ways to work around his horrendous LACK of "vision." If he
had had any vision, he would have developed a wide open
operating system, capable of handling unlimited RAM, and
kept upgrading it as the hardware technology allowed, rather than
obsessing about downward compatibility. I'm no computer
genius, but all the computer geniuses I know don't think too
highly of Bill Gates, and none of them have ever called him a
"visionary!"

73 de Larry, K3LT
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906. Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: whlarson@olywa.net
Message-ID: <34b59d07.14780891@news.olywa.net>
Source record: 182094

My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
KF7IL, Bill.

907. Re: If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Amirault <amirault@shell2.tiac.net>
Message-ID: <6947sm$4er@news-central.tiac.net>
Source record: 182095
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

: I noticed in the paper this morning that Tech America (a Tandy
: operation) has the small Alinco VHF/UHF rigs listed but don't mention
: that you need a license to use them. I'm not surprised. I guess Ed
: Juge is no longer in Ft. Worth.

You expect a notice of license need in a *newspaper* adv? I think that is
a little much to expect. They *DO* mention you need a ham license for
those rigs in the flyer I received the other day.

--
Richard Amirault N1JDU Boston, Massachusetts USA
amirault@tiac.net "Go Fly A Kite"

908. Re: Is it time to put amateur radio to rest? (was: Re: Thoughts on CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: charles1@netcom.com
Message-ID: <charles1EMI0y6.Lrx@netcom.com>
Source record: 182096

In article <34b6971f.2532253@news.mindspring.com>, SCO <sco@sco-inc.com> wrote:
>rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:
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>>
>>So, maybe it's time to come full-circle. Admit that amateur radio has served a
>>useful purpose in the history of communications in this country, but also be
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>>the government and the commerical interests do it for us. Think about it.
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>One problem ... ham radio may be the only method of communication
>during or after WWIII (2000+) or if a major meteor hits the country
>(prediction is for Nevada in June 1999), earthquakes, volcanos, etc.
>Phone system will be down, the only things still going will be
>satellites and ham radio.

Not quite true. The internet is based on TCP/IP protocol. This
protocol was orginally invented for military use. The strategy
of non-centralized network means it would be very difficult to
disable the internet. Think of internet as a web with many
interconnects. Blast a series of holes in it and yet the web
remains intact with all remaining parts still connected.
About the only way to disable it would be to simultaneously
set off hundreds of nuclear bombs emitting EMI over all major
communication hubs. You would still have satellite communications
and a large number of cellular phones with PCS ability.

909. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109052501.AAA15113@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182097

In article <694182$du5$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>I think the reason cbrambo hides behind an AOL screen name is so that he can
>also make racist posts on ks.misc. Just check dejanews.

Me thinks you really have too much time on your hands, Tommy.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

910. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109052501.AAA15949@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182098

In article <34b42e75.96628508@news.iamerica.net>, rusty1@iamerica.net writes:

>I think this is what you are looking for Stan.....

Where's that big 'ol CB
>RAMBO??
I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!

-Drew in Sunny Central Florida-

>KF4DDM since 9/95 on 2m & 10m
KADF-6895 since 9/76 on 11m
Active scanner
>and Internet freak as well
(no license required)
DREW A DURIGAN
2841 SE
>7TH ST
OCALA, FL 34471
TECH+
DOB: 05-26-1964 Age 33

>County: MARION

And your source for this information is...or perhaps more importantly, your
proof of this is...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

911. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34db9cd3.30018372@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182099
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

>Gary Coffman wrote:

[CW stuff]

>By the way Gary, I've missed your posting here where you complain that
>the Government is imposing a "subsidy" on hams in the form of an CW
>test.
>I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
>to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
>of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.

One major difference is that one supports an ancient technology, and
the other supports a change to a newer and supposedly better
technology.

Now, if the Feds were subsidizing B/W TV on 8 inch screens, you might
have a case.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

912. Re: Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: briordan@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b5b261.3424821@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182100

On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 23:46:34 -0800, Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net> wrote:

>Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer
>programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain
>the use of more freq. spectrum.
>Thanx for your help,
>Tim
The only program I have tried for this is Super Morse. It's a DOS based program that can use, but does not require a sound blaster card. I used it mostly to send "random" qso's to copy and "random" words spelled backwards (to make guessing more difficult). It and the ARRL tapes worked for me. The only thing I would caution you, is that if you practice listening to "cookie cutter" type qso's you start to just listen for the details that will show up on the quiz after, you won't really do a decent job of copying code at that speed, but if you copy the random words spelled backwards the qso's are easy to copy. Sort of like the goofy sentences the ARRL practice tapes use, you just can't guess what the next letter is. Just my 2 cents.

Good luck
Brian
KJ7VN

913. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <694dkm$of5@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 182101

sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote:

>Curtis Wheeler <cwheeler@ccnet.com> wrote:

>>Bill Sohl wrote:
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>>> sco@mindspring.com (SCO) wrote:
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>>> >>Wayne Greene.
>>> >>>Again, CBers who become hams is a different catagory than hams who
>>> >>>might turn to CB; the latter class is certainly a very small minority.
>>>
>>> >When I am in a traffic jam on the highway I turn on my CB to find out
>>> >what is happening. I can't very well call someone on my 2m rig.
>>> >Perhaps if we hams could devise a plan for something like Channel 19
>>> >on CB we would turn on our 2m radios instead of the cb.
>>> >W4SCO
>>>
>>> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
>>> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
>>> extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
>>> no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
>>> a universal 2m mobile channel.
>>
>>Most hams will just keep their 2m rig on their favorite repeater.
>>
>>I usually have mine set to 146.52 (when I feel like having 2m turned on)
>>since I don't have a regular, favorite two meter repeater. Otherwise
>>its set to 156.800 since I am more interested in boating than 2m ham
>>radio.
>>
>>You make a good point. If you came upon my car while you were driving
>>down a freeway and saw my callsign plates, would you even attempt to
>>call me on 52? I don't think most people would bother becasue we just
>>don't seem to practice 'universal mobile communication'.
>>
>>I have always liked the idea of having a channel(s) set aside for local
>>calling or distress and encourage people to monitor that channel(s) as
>>much as possible. Aviation and marine service have calling and distress
>>channels and the system works quite well. Why can't a "national simplex
>>frequency" like 146.52 be designated for calling or distress only?

>Because the freq is too hard to remember and most of us have our
>radios set to operate on repeaters (split tx/rcv). Now if a universal
>repeater pair could be established so our radios listen on one 2m freq

>but are set to transmit on another 2m freq, that might work.
>Les
>W4SCO

But many mobile rigs can have a priority channel set which
is monitored as well as the single repeater freq. you may
want to listen too. As to remembering the frequency, why
is that an issue at all. Most mobile rigs today can have
40 or more sets of frequencies programmed in. It'd seem
pretty easy to just program 146.52 as one of them. I have it
set as channel 5 on my HT which I use as my mobile
rig. I also don't understand the fact that you mention
the split/offset repeater operation as being a problem since
most (today probably all) VHF rigs can have the offsets set
differently for each programmed channel or no offset at all.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

914. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109055701.AAA19999@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182102

>Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??
>I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!
>
> -Drew in Sunny Central Florida-
> KF4DDM since 9/95 on 2m & 10m
> KADF-6895 since 9/76 on 11m
> Active scanner and Internet freak as well
> (no license required)
> DREW A DURIGAN
> 2841 SE 7TH ST
> OCALA, FL 34471
> TECH+
> DOB: 05-26-1964 Age 33
> County: MARION
>
>Compliments of Rust Nail

Yep. You got me. Boy, I can't put anything past you super sleuths, can I?

Drew

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

915. mods TMV7 E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard LANDRAUD <rlandraud@wanadoo.fr>
Message-ID: <694gbl$23s$1@peuplier.wanadoo.fr>
Source record: 182103
Cross-posted to: fr.rec.radio,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Hello,
I am looking for any mods for my new transceiver KENWOOD
TMV7 E. Any info on this TRX will be much appreciated!
73 from France
F1ULK Richard

916. thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: andrewc@cyberdude.com
Message-ID: <884330140.1041301518@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182104

To all the people who responded with smart remarks-you just sit in your
own little worlds and ponder the many ways to shit people up the wall.

In article <884157016.983040019@dejanews.com>,
andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:
>
> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
> advise how, would be grateful.
>
> Regards
> Andrew.
>
> --------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

--------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

917. Glendale, AZ HAMFEST

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: sparkfel@primenet.com
Message-ID: <MPG.f1f8d25a7ae1c66989681@news.primenet.com>
Source record: 182105
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.scanner

Just a reminder that the ThunderBird ARC WestFest is this Saturday,
January 10.

Glendale Community College
59th Ave. & Olive (Olive is a.k.a. Dunlap east of 43rd Ave.)
Glendale, Arizona

North Parking Lot

6:00 AM to 1:00 PM
VE testing starts at 10:00 AM

Tailgating $5.00 per space/$10 commercial ($20 max charge)
Parking $2.00

73,

Mark
KC7BXS

918. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: myself <zvanseez@jax-inter.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1cc6$5f8388c0$95c162cf@jimbenja>
Source record: 182106
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net> wrote in article <34B51CF4.E71294C8@mcws.net>...
> Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?
>
> Thanks and 73
> kd4zot
>
>

YAESU FT-50R Expanded Transmit 120-230, 315-505 MHz
[FREEBAND MODIFICATION]

1. Remove battery
2. Remove the Ni-Cd sticker
3. Slowly lift off the keypad and carefully locate the jumper pads
4. Locate and unsolder jumper number "1" (see picture below) it is a solder blob
between 2 pads.
5. Locate and unsolder surface mount resistor "A" (see picture below) be carefull!
It is the first resistor on the from left
6. Reinstall the keypad with the two screws
7. Turn radio off
8. Press down and hold the tuning knob and lamp button while turning on the radio.
VIEW: looking down with keypad removed

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1010. The vfo should display 144.000 Press FW. (this step may not be needed but
it worked for me)
Power off.
11. Powerup with lamp/ptt/knob held down. It should now be in tune mode with something new
(BAND= A 1) change it pressing the knob for 1/2 second and then turn the knob to FREE.
(BAND=FREE)
12. Power off and back on NOW RADIO DISPLAYS 50~540 590~1000 no gaps!!!
(Dont change any other function or you could screw up alot of adjustments here)
IT will tx where ever it locks. One radio 122~231 and 309~502 and another radio was
120-232mhz and 315-509mhz. This varies radio by radio.
Tx is only miliwatts near the edges (DONT TX OUT OF BAND!!!).
Rx locks after about 74mhz. it is very def in the 220 band tx is miliwatts.

no tx above 502
but varies radio by radio.

13. If you have the ADMS 1 software you should have a copy of what was in your radio.before you
started.
14. Copy from the radio. Save and name this file FREEBAND. This is to be saved as a clean copy for
future use.
15. Copy from the radio again (or just copy the file) name this file MERGE.
16. Merge the old file to this file and send to radio.
17. With your palms facing forward put your thumbs in your ears, wiggle your fingers and stick
out your tongue at your Users manual while it is open to page 10.
18. Then update page 10.

Dont make the FCC and Yaesu angry at you by trasmitting where you are not supposed to.

This information came from a Newsgroup message by Alan Judd, information gained

from the Web Page at
http://members.gnn.com/hca/ft50/index.htm and my own attempts at restoring the radio using this
FREEBAND Mod.
Please give Alan Judd great thanks for subjecting his radio to T&E R&D (trial and error research and
development).

--
E. Scott Sykes
This is Ground Control. . .

Please note the following message! It may save you some time....
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Edward <edward@nym.alias.net> wrote in article
> the mod to expand the receive frequency range from 76 to 999 MHz does not
>seem to work. I pull the plug, as instructed, but I can not get the unit
>to work on any but the advertised frequencies.
>
The firmware inside the radio has been changed so that pulling the plug
will not toggle the radio into a European mode. This change was made in
radios with the 3rd and 4th digits of the serial number greater the 05.
--
Rod, RT Systems Amateur Radio Supply, Huntsville AL.
Sales 1-800-723-6922, Tech 1-205-880-3093
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Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.equipment
Subject: Yaesu FT-50R Guide V 1.1
From: childers@garlic.com (Bill Childers)
Date: 10 Jul 1996 21:52:28 GMT

The (In)Complete Guide to the Yaesu FT-50 Version 1.1

Compiled by Bill Childers, KE6VVW

Disclaimer & Other Nonsense
The information in this document is a guide to the FT-50 ONLY.
Having had more than a few radios in my amateur experience, I
understand how most hams wish to learn as much about their rigs as
possible. I have compiled this guide to allow other people to
learn more about the radio without having to search all over for
information. I do not guarantee the validity of this information,
as Yaesu may change programming or hardware so that some of the
techniques in this document may cease to function. I am not
responsible if these instructions damage your rig in some way. All
I can say is that I have performed the following procedures to my
unit, and I am quite pleased with the results. Your mileage may
vary, etc.

History

Version 1.0
1st introduced.

Version 1.1
Added: Game mode, Changed High Power Mod to "Internal System
Alignment". In this section I also detail the squelch and S-meter
adjustments. Also added info to the bug on the FTT-12 Keypad.

Introduction
The Yaesu FT-50 is perhaps the most unique VHF/UHF Handheld
manufactured today. It's made to MIL-SPEC 810, for dust,
splashproofness, and vibration. Out of the box, it has not only
dual band 2m/440 capability, but wide FM receive and AM receive as
well. In addition, it receives 76-200 MHz, 380-500 MHz, and

700-900 MHz (Cellular Blocked). It has one of the fastest scan speeds for an amateur HT. It also has the unique ability (w/ ADMS-1C software) to interface with an IBM PC running Windows and have memories and settings uploaded/downloaded. In addition, it has DCS (digital coded squelch), ARTS (auto-ranging transpond system), and Yaesu's excellent transmit and receive battery saver features. It also uses Yaesu's extremely efficent FET power module that allows for 5W+ of output power with a 9.6V battery pack. With the optional FTT-12 keypad, the unit also performs CTCSS decode, DTMF paging, and also incorporates a Digital Voice Recorder! All of this functionality in such a small package makes it my rig of choice.

Problems (Bugs)
Unfortunately, the FT-50 is plagued by a few bugs. None of them are very serious or life-threatening, just a bit annoying. First among them is its Wide-FM receive. Apparently Yaesu engineers didn't put a wide enough filter in the unit, and some of the bandwidth of broadcast FM signals gets "chopped off". This means that the rig is near useless for listening to music on the broadcast FM band. It works marginally with voice only on the same band. My opinion on this problem: If you want to listen to music, bring a small Walkman or other transistor radio with you. The '50 does an adequate job of bringing voice signals in on broadcast FM, so it's good for listening to emergency broadcasts.
The second "bug" lies in the optional FTT-12 keypad. The manual for the radio states that you can set up a "voice mail" type of functionality that lets your radio operate unattended and record calls for you. This mode doesn't work correctly, although the built-in voice recorder works great. It seems that the unit will playback the wrong voice partition. The problem appears to be in the DTMF page-answer-back area. If you're buying the '50 and FTT-12 solely for this purpose, DON'T! It doesn't work and there's no current workaround.
The third bug has been complained about a bit. It seems that some '50s suffer from a low Tx audio problem. This is due to a factory adjustment that is set a bit on the low side. It is easily fixed. (See Factory Adjustments below).
The fourth "bug" is synergistic with the ADMS-1C software. If there is some kind of problem in downloading a file to the radio, the software aborts with an error, and the rig is left with it's memories cleared in a "limbo" state. This state is actually the European band plan, and if done properly, the rig can be modified to receive even more frequencies&#65533; which will be described later. (See modification section) However, if you want to return the rig to its natural state, simply download a blank frequency file (NONAME.RDF) to the unit. All should be well.

Factory adjustments
If your rig suffers from the low Tx audio problem, here's how to

fix it.

1. Remove the battery and antenna.
2. Remove the "NiCd" sticker on the heat sink. If you remove it very carefully, it's possible to re-install it later with the same stickum that's on it.
3. Look in the cavity where you removed the sticker. Proceeding from left to right, here's what you'll see&#65533;
Phillips head Screw (Holds the keypad in)
Small Silver Potentiometer (VR1001&#65533;VHF Deviation Adjustment)
Small Silver Potentiometer (VR1002&#65533;UHF Deviation Adjustment)
Small White Potentiometer (TC1001&#65533;DONT TOUCH! CTCSS Tone Adjustment!!!)
Phillips head Screw (Holds the keypad in)
4. Take a small Phillips head Screwdriver and turn both VR1001 and VR1002 about 1/8 turn clockwise. This will increase the VHF and UHF deviation and fix the low Tx audio problem. If it's not enough Tx audio, simply turn both pots another 1/8 turn. Make sure to turn both pots the same amount!
5. Replace the NiCd sticker, battery, and antenna.
6. You're Done!

Internal System Alignment (May not work on some radios)
NOTE: This setting appears to work on radios that have NO MEMORIES programmed. You might want to try STEP 3 before clearing your memories. If step 3 doesn't work, you probably need to clear your memories. BE CAREFUL with these settings&#65533; it's possible to really mess the rig up by setting some funky squelch or something&#65533; you might want to write the default settings for your rig down.

1. Select 2m VFO frequency.
2. Turn the radio off.
3. Push LAMP, PTT, Knob, and PWR at the same time. The rig will turn on with the squelch open, so turn the volume down!
4. The '50 will display "BAND xxxxxx" where xxxx may differ depending on your radio and whatever mods you may have performed.
5. Turn the top knob. There are a variety of settings available. Here is a listing of them:
&#65533; HSSQ: Squelch Hysteresis Adjustment, adjusted by the dial.
&#65533; THSQ: Squelch Preset Threshold
&#65533; TISQ: Squelch Preset Tight
&#65533; S1LV: Low-Scale S-1 Adjustment.
&#65533; S9LV: S-Meter Full Scale Adjustment.
&#65533; HIPO: Hi Transmit Power Adjustment: Should be calibrated for 5W (Can be pushed higher with a 13.8V Supply)
&#65533; L3PO: Level 3 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for 2.8W.
&#65533; L2PO: Level 2 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for 1W.
&#65533; L1PO: Level 1 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for .1W.

6. Select the adjustment you wish.
7. Push in the Top knob. There will be a "s" that appears next to
the displayed number.
8. Rotate the knob to change the setting.
9. Change other settings, if desired.
10. Push the knob for more than 1 sec to save the profile.
11. Select 440 VFO frequency.
12. Repeat Steps 3-10 to adjust the UHF Settings. UHF Settings will
have a "U" in front of them.

Modifications
The FT-50 is extremely easy to modify. The first modification is
performed for you at the factory but for those of you who
accidently disabled it, or changed it here it is.

Extended U.S. Receive Mod (Expands receive from 144-148 & 430-450
to 76-200, 380-500, 800-999 'cell blocked') NOTE: All
memories will be erased.
1. Turn the transceiver off.
2. Hold down the Knob and Lamp keys while powering the unit on.
3. The unit now has U.S. Extended Receive.

MARS/CAP mod (Extended Transmit Mod: app. 144-159, 420-470) NOTE:
All memories will be erased.
Don't transmit on bands that you're not licensed for!! Besides
being illegal, it creates problems for people using those
frequencies.
1. Remove battery & antenna
2. Remove NiCd Sticker on Rear Heat Sink
3. Loosen (Don't Remove) Philips head screws on rear that hold
keypad in.
4. Use screws as thumb holds to press keypad out.
5. Remove screws.
6. Remove Keypad.
7. Under Keypad on Left Side there is a series of Solder Jumpers.
They are labeled in white from 1-3. Only #1 will have solder
jumpering it. Remove the solder, being careful not to damage or
touch any other components. WARNING: If you're not good at
desoldering, or have shaky hands, you might want to have someone
else do this for you. It's REAL easy to damage the rig.
8. Reinstall Keypad. Be careful of the O-ring around the keypad.
Make sure it's not twisted or damaged, as the waterproofness of the
unit could be compromised.
9. Install sticker, battery and antenna.
10. Hold down Knob and Lamp keys while powering the unit on.
(Extended Receive Mod as above.)
11. Completed!

Super-Hyper Awesome Mod The mother of all Mods!!! (Requires
ADMS-1C software and MARS/CAP mod to be performed)
Receive: 76-999 Mhz (No displayable holes!!!)

Transmit: 120-221 Mhz, 320-499 Mhz (AGAIN, Don't transmit on
frequencies where you're not licensed)
NOTE: This mod will disable ARS (automatic repeater shift) and will
set 2m and 440 repeater offset to
weird numbers. Make sure you enter repeater offset and +-
shift manually. Repeater offset needs
be set once for the rig, then it should be able to be
forgotten about. It will also clear memories.
Remember above where I mentioned the ADMS-1C software having a bug?
Here's where the enterprising and curious ham can take advantage
of that. This mod will install the European band plan in your
radio so without the MARS/CAP mod you will lose the top portion of
your 2m band.
1. Are there frequencies in your radio? Don't want to lose them?
Simply get the data from your radio as it sits you can "merge" the
frequencies later. Save the file.
2. Perform the MARS/CAP mod as outlined above. Get the data from
the mod and name it USA.RDF.
3. Attempt to send the same data to the radio. In the middle of
the transfer (around 50%), pull the adapter cable to the PC out of
the radio.
4. Thanks to the bug, your radio is now in European mode! Perform
the Extended Receive Mod by holding the Knob and Lamp keys down
while turning the unit on.
5. Now, the Automatic Repeater offset doesn't work. There's no
workaround. Note that the 2m offset has been changed to 0.00. Go
to the menu by holding down the knob. Go to SHFT, Option 7. Press
the knob. Turn the knob so that it reads 0.60. Press PTT.
6. Now, turn off the radio. Put it back into clone mode. Read the
data back from the radio to the PC and save the file as EURO.RDF.
7. If you want to enter frequencies manually or using ADMS as
normal, go ahead. Everything should work. If you saved
frequencies as above, open EURO.RDF and "merge" the frequencies
from your USA.RDF file into it, and save it as another name. Then
send the modified EURO.RDF (your filename) file back to the radio
using the "template" file EURO.RDF. You're done!
8. To return the radio back to the U.S. band plan, send the USA.RDF
file back to it.
Note that I have no way of measuring the sensitivity of the
frequencies or the output power of the rig outside of the ham
bands. The 220 coverage seems to be very poor, however, the radio
does display 220 frequencies. It won't transmit on our 220 bands,
though. 800 Mhz receive is vastly improved.

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Game Mode
The FT-50R includes an interesting "game" that's programmed into
it. Here's how it works:
1. Power up the radio while holding down the MR key. (PWR + MR).
2. The display will show GAME on the left side, and Spd 1 on the
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right. You're in game mode!
3. By rotating the knob, you can change the speed of the game. Higher numbers are faster.
4. Press PTT to start the game.
5. Numbers will start to scroll across the screen from left-to-right. As they come, you are supposed to push the number on the keypad that makes a sum of ten, followed by F. Example: 6 appears, press 4, F. If 0 appears, enter 10 followed by F.
6. The game is over when the screen fills up with numbers.
7. To exit the game, simply cycle the power.

919. Re: FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: NOspam@junk.mail.net
Message-ID: <34b5f6d7.494982038@news.nai.net>
Source record: 182107

On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 03:07:22 -0800, Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net> wrote:

>Hello and thanx for reading my post. I need to update my address info
>with the FCC. Can I do this via the net? If so, please tell me the
>exact URL.
>Thanx again,
>Tim

I'm not sure you can actually update your data on line but the form is
located in:

http://www.fcc.gov/formpage.html

920. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <xGGdMCAzxdt0Ew2S@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182108

>
> http://www.prodworks.com/eval.htm
>http://www.centigram.com/centigram/TruVoice/index.html
>
>
>Don, W5JPD
Thanks Don
--
Don G0MDO

921. Re: Blindness and technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <yWzdYHAmzdt0Ew2S@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 182109

>
>TinyTalk has been available for some time as shareware. It converts text
>to speech and uses the SoundBlaster and a variety of other sound devices.
>
>73, Mike, KF6IMS
>
Thanks Mike, will try this if I can find it.
--
Don G0MDO

922. SQUIRE SANDERS DESK MIKE WTB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: email@tig.com.au
Message-ID: <694ss3lfq1@toto.tig.com.au>
Source record: 182110

I AM LOOKING TO BUY A SQUIRE SANDERS DESK MIKE (SIMILAR TO A TURNER +2 ONLY A LIGHT GREEN COLOUR)

EMAIL IF YOU CAN HELP..
THANKS !

923. Re: 2M Pager?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steve Sampson <ssampson@usa-site.net>
Message-ID: <694tda$md0@snews1.zippo.com>
Source record: 182111
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Kantronics makes a KPC-9612 which can send out pager data from
it's built-in packet BBS. Just hook it up to your radios.

Steve

William Huckaba wrote in message <693ltb$m8j$1@excalibur.flash.net>...
>I once saw (about a year ago) an article somewhere on the usenet about
>re-crystaling a pager (like motorola classic), and some software to turn a
>regular pager into one that works on the 2M (via a packet radio).
>
>I was wondering if anyone knew anything about this... if so please write me at
>
>todkapuz@flash.net
>
>Thanks!
>
>-William KC5QYO
>

924. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B5C3B9.23D7@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182112

> sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote...
>
>
> That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
> something like 148.000 mhz ???

146.52 has already been established as the nation-wide simplex calling frequency. All it needs is better promotion.

> 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
> something like 54.00 mhz FM ???

I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with your point about range.

However, the 2 meter frequency will very likely be more active, simply because there are more 2 meter radios out there at the moment.

By the way, for those who don't know, the nation-wide simplex calling frequencies, for the other bands, are... 223.50 for 1.25 meters, 446.0 for 70cm, 906.5 for 33cm, and 1294.5 for 2cm.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

925. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B5C10F.236@sccoast.net>
Source record: 182113

> billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl) wrote...
>
> I'd like to see more hams with their 2m mobiles set 147.520 simplex
> as a priority channel for monitoring purposes. I've traveled
> extnsively and it is rare to get a mobile QSO on 52. There's
> no reason we couldn't foster use of a simplex 2m frequency as
> a universal 2m mobile channel.

REPLY...

You have my support on this Bill. By the way, I think you mean 146.52, not 147.52. How can we go about promoting this frequency better nationwide?

I had heard that 146.52 is supposed to be the nation-wide simplex calling frequency, but I have yet to hear a single word on this frequency. Perhaps a little better promotion is all it needs.

And, it we want a separate emergency frequency, maybe we could use a frequency near this as an emergency frequency (like 145.52 to make it easier to remember - one MHz down from the calling frequency).

Trying to keep up with repeaters, using directories, is difficult if you travel great distances in one day (and I sure would not want to be thumbing through a repeater directory if I'm laying in the ditch after an accident).

A _well monitored_ simplex frequency would be a great solution.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

926. Rep. Tauzin to Downsize FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Harry Wrenthrow" <hk8l@aco1.net>
Message-ID: <69572t$gf4$1@usenet48.supernews.com>
Source record: 182114
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Congressman Tauzin's staff is accepting any information
concerning fraud, waste, or abuse in the FCC.
They are documenting reports of conflict of interest, such
as FCC employees running private businesses,
misappropriation of government time, rude treatment from
FCC employees, theft of government property, etc.
If you go to a FCC field office and observe employees
sitting idle doing nothing or pretending to be doing something,
document it. Sometimes they will appear to busy when a
citizen is in their office, then go back to sleeping or surfing
the internet as soon as the citizen leaves. So visit an office,
leave, then go immediately back & observe the same
employees who looked "busy" a few minutes before.

Send any information to:

Rep. Billy Tauzin
Chairman, House Subcommittee on
Telecommunications
Washington DC 20515

927. Re: Listen A Cellular Phone Whith(sic) A Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: WK1V <spam@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34B61EF9.DF1FC8B5@shore.net>
Source record: 182115

MailfrmPA wrote:

> >> >Well, "jrerlewe@mtu.edu(Joseph), cutting a green wire on your non-type
> >accepted
> >> >Yaesu-FT-530 makes it illegal.
>
> >Would you mind telling me what non-type acceptance means since there is no
> >type
> >acceptance for amateur radio equipment? Hmmmm? I don't want to alarm you
> >but your
> >ignorance is showing.--
> >j:) -=wk1v=-
>
> Seemed clear to me. The FT-530 is a ham rig. It doesn't have/need type
> acceptance. But jrerlewe sayes he used it to communicate with friends on the
> FRS. Those radios(FRS) do require type-acceptance, as would any radio operating
> legally on the FRS. And therefore my comment.
>
> You got any synapses firing yet?

Guess not. Sorry.... :)

--
j:) -=wk1v=-

928. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B62B19.2104@ibm.net>
Source record: 182116
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Glen Quarnstrom wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
> >By the way Gary, I've missed your posting here where you complain that
> >the Government is imposing a "subsidy" on hams in the form of an CW
> >test.
> >I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
> >to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
> >of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.
>
> One major difference is that one supports an ancient technology, and
> the other supports a change to a newer and supposedly better
> technology.
>
> Now, if the Feds were subsidizing B/W TV on 8 inch screens, you might
> have a case.

In a free market system, there would be *NO* governmental subsidies.
Where governmental subsidies exist, socialism, the enemy of freedom,
exists.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

929. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Jessup <kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1cff$e9883d20$ba5aba97@caffeine.isdn.mei.com>
Source record: 182117
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> On Thu, 08 Jan 1998 08:48:18 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
> posted:

>> What do you
> >think the ecomomic implications are of a satellite based communications
> >system that will ostensibly offer worldwide coverage? Ask Bill Gates,
> >he is investing in one now.

I would say the economic implications of a totally wired planet
(including 3rd world access to an RF internet) are enormous!
Economies and nations will be transformed. There may even
be massive wealth redistribution.

This is so important as to make long term amateur radio concerns
regarding such an issue almost irrelevant. Sure many short term
techno forecasts are often overly optimistic. But it will happen.

930. Looking for Address

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: w8hdu@[206.230.70.2]
Message-ID: <6957tbcuo2@206.230.70.95>
Source record: 182118

Does anyone know if a company called Elktronics is still in
business? They made the little video ID'er boards which
were used in ATV and Balloon projects.

If you know their address, please E-MAIL me direct so we
don't clutter up the newsgroups with multiple replies. If
you know of any other companys that build the video boards
which can display IDs, please let me know.

Fred Vobbe, W8HDU
Chief Engineer - WLIO Television

931. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <69588o$ib9$1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 182119
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Well, I'm not there, so oh well!

kingsnake (kingsnake@dm.net) wrote:
: How does a year in the slammer sound???
:
: At least, that's what you can get in California ;-)
:
: Joseph wrote:
: > =
:
: > Many radios can do this.
: > Easily.
: > I cut a green wire on my Yaesu FT-530, and it receives cellphones. I di=
: d
: > it mainly for the out-of-band transmit on UHF, because the radio, when =
: at
: > lowest power, puts out legal power in the FRS frequencies, so i can tal=
: k
: > to my friends who have FRS radios. That turned out to be kind of a wast=
: e
: > though, so i just left it modified for the sake of not opening it back =
: up
: > and fumbling with rediculously small wires.
: > So yes, for a FACT some FT-530s (later models had some components chang=
: ed
: > and may not be able to get cellphones though...) do this, and many
: > scanners do, and i've seen an alinco, and an icom do the same. I'm sure=
:
: > that there are many others.
: > =
:
: > Even though the US is the only country I know of to fight for the right=
: of
: > other countries to be able to listen to any radio they wish and then a =
: few
: > years down the road, turn around and make it illegal in our own country=
: , I
: > think many people can and do listen to cellphones... I tried to see if =
: the
: > mod sheet i followed was correct. But seriously, who would care to list=
: en
: > to a bunch of "hi hon, i'm on my way home, do we need milk?"
: > conversations? Sorry, but even though my rig does it, i'll stick to

: > scanning the police freqs, weather freqs, FRS freqs, and of course, the=
:
: > Ham freqs..
: > =
:
: > Eavesdropping just doesn't seem "right..."
: > =
:
: > ;)
: > =
:
: > -joseph
: > =
:
: > ricardo (ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt) wrote:
: > :
: > : I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
: > : and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) liste=
: n a
: > : conversation from a cellular phone,i don=B4t remenber very well, but =
: i think
: > : he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
: > : (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
: > : He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do th=
: at,
: > :
: > : It=B4s possible ? how ?
: > : --
: > : Ricardo Marques
: > : ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt
:
:
: > --
: > Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
: > Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
: > email: n8ouz@usa.net
: > WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz
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: -- =
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:
: -John S. Bond <kingsnake> WA6FRN/6
: kingsnake photography; a division of Gyro Gearloose Productions
: http://www.humboldt1.com/~gyrgrls/
: ICQ uin:4604100
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932. Re: 2M Pager?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <6958jkich1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 182120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

The ACC RC-85 and many other repeater controllers can send the standard
two-tone paging sequences if you enter specific touchtone commands.
You can easily recrystal pagers like the motorola spirit from 15x.xxx to
the ham 2m band.
Kinda neat if you have an ARES or RACES repeater, and have some non-ham
volunteers that need to be informed. you can page them...

Steve Sampson (ssampson@usa-site.net) wrote:
: Kantronics makes a KPC-9612 which can send out pager data from
: it's built-in packet BBS. Just hook it up to your radios.
:
: Steve
:
: William Huckaba wrote in message <693ltb$m8j$1@excalibur.flash.net>...
: >I once saw (about a year ago) an article somewhere on the usenet about
: >re-crystaling a pager (like motorola classic), and some software to turn a
: >regular pager into one that works on the 2M (via a packet radio).
: >
: >I was wondering if anyone knew anything about this... if so please write me at
: >
: >todkapuz@flash.net
: >
: >Thanks!
: >
: >-William KC5QYO
: >
:
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Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
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933. Gwinnett Amatuer Radio Society Tech Fest

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Sokol <k9aok@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <34B620C0.14C1@hotmail.com>
Source record: 182121
Cross-posted to: atl.general,rec.radio.amateur.misc,ga.general

Good Morning, and Happy New Year

I would like to invite one and all to the

First Annual
Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society
Tech Fest and Chili Cook Off

This event is free to all .. and if you feel so inclined, bring your
best chili along for the judging.
Our event will be held on Saturday, Jan 17 from 10am to 2pm.
We will be at the Central Gwinnett Baptist Church on Gwinnett Drive, in
Lawrenceville.
If further directions are needed, feel free to e-mail me directly
Talk in will be on the GARS Repeater, 147.075+

Subjects to be Covered:

HF Techniques Soldering VHF/UHF Equipment
Space Communications Packet/Digital Radio Antenna Building Workshop
Radio Mathematics Radio Control Home Brew Radios
ARES Net Control Training Logging Methods
Cross-Band Repeating Mobile HF GPS/APRS
Passing Traffic Efficiently Paging Features Explained

Feel free to publicize this event in your areas and on your repeaters.

John Sokol, K9AOK
Publicity Chairman
Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society

Thank you

934. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109140700.JAA17248@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182122

> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
>frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
>your point about range.
>
>

There already is a 6 meter National Freq it is 52.525

935. Mode Designators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Paul J. Piercey" <p.piercey@thezone.net>
Message-ID: <6958li$1j1$1@nova.thezone.net>
Source record: 182123

I am looking for a list of modes for amateur radio in a format that links them with their alphanumeric designator. I would like to find one that shows the modes as names (ie. SSB, CW, RTTY, etc) and pairs them up with their equivalent designator (ie. J3E, A1A, etc).

If anyone knows of a location or source for this info, could you email me at this address.

Thanks and 73.

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Paul J. Piercey VO1HE

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QSL Manager - VO1AA, VO1IMD, VO1BZM & VO500JC
Sysop - VO1AAA and VO1BT

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VO1HE@VO1AAA.#ENF.NF.CAN.NOAM
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936. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69579a$13b$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 182124

In article <19980109040401.XAA04423@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
Yo Doc <yodoc@aol.com> wrote:

>The guy who invented the 640K RAM barrier
>as a "vision" of the greatest, best-case evoloution of the personal
>computer?

Uh, Larry, while I'm no fan of Bill Gates, at least try to be accurate
in your technical discussion.

The "640k barrier" was not invented by Microsoft. It was an outcome of
the architecture of the original 8088 CPUs, which could only address
1MB of physical memory space. After deducting some space in high-memory
for Expansion ROMs, system ROMs, video memory, and so on, what you were
left with was 640K of usable memory space for addressing RAM.

If you're going to blame anyone, I think you need to place the personal
blame squarely on Cecil's shoulders, because he works for Intel (and
being one of those "super-techo-genius hams" that Stevenson thinks are
the only people worthy of holding an amateur license).

>he would have developed a wide open
>operating system, capable of handling unlimited RAM,

Not technically feasible. Easy to say in hindsight.

>kept upgrading it as the hardware technology allowed, rather than
>obsessing about downward compatibility.

Downward compatibility was an absolute must, and was not vendor-driven,
it was consumer-driven. By the time the 286 CPUs came out, IBM systems
were solidly faceted in American businesses. Then we saw 386, 486,
Pentium, Pentium Pro, and now Pentium II CPUs enter the market.

Now, tell me Larry, what do you think would have happened to the
computer marketplace if *EACH TIME* a new CPU came out that it was
not downward compatible with its predecessors? Likewise, what would
have happened to the market if each time a new version of the OS came
out, it was not downward compatible?

>I'm no computer genius, but all the computer geniuses I know don't think too
>highly of Bill Gates, and none of them have ever called him a
>"visionary!"

Most "computer geniuses" realize that the entire Gates fortune was achieve
by the typical way most new millionaires make their money: being in the
right place at the right time. Its also reported that Gates basically stole
CPM to create the first release of PC-DOS, but I don't know how accurate

that is (based on Microsoft's behaviour over the years, I don't doubt the rumor at all.)

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

937. HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw>
Message-ID: <34B6EA17.2778@eagle.seed.net.tw>
Source record: 182125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

It will be interesting to see how HDTV develops. Congress is saying that this is a terrible give away of frequencies which are worth unimaginable amounts of money. The broadcaster sees this as meaning that he has to spend an enormous sum to buy all new equipment, build a new tower and so on. Actually if the system does develop, there will be the same number of channels when the present broadcasting system ends. The channels are only expensive when they are scarce. Recent auctions have only brought yawns from potential biders.

Looking at Japan where a form of analog HDTV has been in operation for years, the number of sets sold has been so small as to be silly. No one knows if the same thing will happen in the United States. TV audiences are shrinking each year and I think that few people will be willing to pay $5000 to watch laxitive ads in vivid true to life HDTV. When I point this out to people who are still in the TV business, they say, "Everyone knows Moore's Law that says semiconductor prices will drop ...". Yes, but the display end of the set, the picture tube is where much of the money lies and I don't see any magic answer to putting a HDTV display in everyone's living room at amything like a reasonable price.

In addition to the cost, there is very little information about the broadcaster's service area. Analog tv fails gracefully as the signal strength decreases. Digital tv will either produce a good picture or no picture with very little in between. If the broadcaster's service area is greatly reduced, his profit picture will also be reduced.

My guess and it is only a guess is that there will be so little interest in HDTV that congress will ask the FCC to drop the whole thing and we will still have NTSC for even more generations.

Best regards,

Art Borg

938. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: rice@SPAMBLOCK.ttd.teradyne.com
Message-ID: <695bb6$hj0@steadfast.teradyne.com>
Source record: 182126

In article <34B5C3B9.23D7@sccoast.net>, Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>> sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote...
>>
>>
>> That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
>> something like 148.000 mhz ???
>
> 146.52 has already been established as the nation-wide simplex calling
>frequency. All it needs is better promotion.
>
>> 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
>> something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
>
> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
>frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
>your point about range.

52.525Mhz has been established as the nationwide 6M FM Simplex calling
frequency for as long as I can remember (I had a mobile on that freq 36 years
ago).

'SCO' needs to go back to the books. Both his suggestions would put him
'out of band'.

>
> However, the 2 meter frequency will very likely be more active, simply
>because there are more 2 meter radios out there at the moment.
>
> By the way, for those who don't know, the nation-wide simplex calling
>frequencies, for the other bands, are... 223.50 for 1.25 meters, 446.0
>for 70cm, 906.5 for 33cm, and 1294.5 for 2cm.
>
>Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

John Rice K9IJ
Ex: KN8YZR, K8YZR, KH6GHC, WA1TXV, WB9CSP, W9MMB
Life member AMSAT, ARRL
john.rice(at)teradyne.com
Living under a bridge on the Information Super Highway...

939. Wanted CW/RTTY software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Carpenter <k4gj@scia.net>
Message-ID: <695dtosvc1@news.utelfla.com>
Source record: 182127

I need some shareware , or inexpensive CW/RTTY software that will work on a sound board/Win95 setup.
Anyone know where to find this? I've searched several software sites to no avail.
Don't want serial port stuff, or DOS . Thanks and 73, ED K4GJ
k4gj@scia.net

940. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net>
Message-ID: <34B668BE.127C5673@mcws.net>
Source record: 182128
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I have read the following. Can anyone confirm this:

I have read a news post that you could no longer perform
the programming mod listed below. The reason was stated in the Oct 20, 1996
artical that "The firmware inside the radio has been changed so that pulling
the pc to radio plug during a download will not toggle the radio into EURO
mode. The change was made in radios with the 3rd and 4th digits of the
servial number greater then 05.

Do you know anything about that? This would have allowed wider coverage and
tx ranges w/cell.

Thanks and 73 de jim, kd4zot

Software Mod for EURO mode:

Here is the extended TX mod that was on the internet. Please proceed at
your own risk!!! This mod opens up TX in VHF 140-174 MHz and UHF
420-469 MHz

1. Take the battery off.
2. Peel the NiCd warning sticker off of the radio.
3. Remove the two screws that were under the sticker.
4. Gently pry off the keypad paying attention to the gasket.
5. You will be looking at 3 jumper pads.
6. The 1st pad on the left will have a blob of solder on it.
7. Carefully remove the solder blob.
8. Reassemble the radio paying close attention to the gasket insertion.
9. Hit the reset keys as mentioned in the manual.
10. Extended TX mod is complete.

myself wrote:

> Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net> wrote in article <34B51CF4.E71294C8@mcws.net>...
> > Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?
> >
> > Thanks and 73
> > kd4zot
> >
> >
>
> YAESU FT-50R Expanded Transmit 120-230, 315-505 MHz
> [FREEBAND MODIFICATION]
>
> 1. Remove battery
> 2. Remove the Ni-Cd sticker

> 3. Slowly lift off the keypad and carefully locate the jumper pads
> 4. Locate and unsolder jumper number "1" (see picture below) it is a solder
> blob
> between 2 pads.
> 5. Locate and unsolder surface mount resistor "A" (see picture below) be
> carefull!
> It is the first resistor on the from left
> 6. Reinstall the keypad with the two screws
> 7. Turn radio off
> 8. Press down and hold the tuning knob and lamp button while turning on the
> radio.
> VIEW: looking down with keypad removed
> *** ***
> = ***** * ***
> I ******************
> * --------------- *
> I* | [FREEBANDER] | *
> I* | _____________ | *
> * YAESU *
> I* =============== *
> I* =============== *
> * =============== *
> * ========== *
> * *
> * ------------------------------ *
> * | ABCDE |*
> * | IIIII |*
> * | : : : |*
> * | 1 2 3 |*
> * ---------------------------------*
> ******************
> 1010. The vfo should display 144.000 Press FW. (this step may not be needed
> but
> it worked for me)
> Power off.
> 11. Powerup with lamp/ptt/knob held down. It should now be in tune mode with
> something new
> (BAND= A 1) change it pressing the knob for 1/2 second and then turn the
> knob to FREE.
> (BAND=FREE)
> 12. Power off and back on NOW RADIO DISPLAYS 50~540 590~1000 no gaps!!!
> (Dont change any other function or you could screw up alot of adjustments
> here)
> IT will tx where ever it locks. One radio 122~231 and 309~502 and another
> radio was
> 120-232mhz and 315-509mhz. This varies radio by radio.
> Tx is only miliwatts near the edges (DONT TX OUT OF BAND!!!).
> Rx locks after about 74mhz. it is very def in the 220 band tx is miliwatts.
>
> no tx above 502

> but varies radio by radio.
>
> 13. If you have the ADMS 1 software you should have a copy of what was in your
> radio.before you
> started.
> 14. Copy from the radio. Save and name this file FREEBAND. This is to be saved
> as a clean copy for
> future use.
> 15. Copy from the radio again (or just copy the file) name this file MERGE.
> 16. Merge the old file to this file and send to radio.
> 17. With your palms facing forward put your thumbs in your ears, wiggle your
> fingers and stick
> out your tongue at your Users manual while it is open to page 10.
> 18. Then update page 10.
>
> Dont make the FCC and Yaesu angry at you by trasmitting where you are not
> supposed to.
>
> This information came from a Newsgroup message by Alan Judd, information gained
>
> from the Web Page at
> http://members.gnn.com/hca/ft50/index.htm and my own attempts at restoring the
> radio using this
> FREEBAND Mod.
> Please give Alan Judd great thanks for subjecting his radio to T&E R&D (trial
> and error research and
> development).
>
> --
> E. Scott Sykes
> This is Ground Control. . .
>
> Please note the following message! It may save you some time....
> ==
> Edward <edward@nym.alias.net> wrote in article
> > the mod to expand the receive frequency range from 76 to 999 MHz does not
> >seem to work. I pull the plug, as instructed, but I can not get the unit
> >to work on any but the advertised frequencies.
> >
> The firmware inside the radio has been changed so that pulling the plug
> will not toggle the radio into a European mode. This change was made in
> radios with the 3rd and 4th digits of the serial number greater the 05.
> --
> Rod, RT Systems Amateur Radio Supply, Huntsville AL.
> Sales 1-800-723-6922, Tech 1-205-880-3093
> ==
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.equipment
> Subject: Yaesu FT-50R Guide V 1.1
> From: childers@garlic.com (Bill Childers)
> Date: 10 Jul 1996 21:52:28 GMT

>
> The (In)Complete Guide to the Yaesu FT-50 Version 1.1
>
> Compiled by Bill Childers, KE6VVW
>
> Disclaimer & Other Nonsense
> The information in this document is a guide to the FT-50 ONLY.
> Having had more than a few radios in my amateur experience, I
> understand how most hams wish to learn as much about their rigs as
> possible. I have compiled this guide to allow other people to
> learn more about the radio without having to search all over for
> information. I do not guarantee the validity of this information,
> as Yaesu may change programming or hardware so that some of the
> techniques in this document may cease to function. I am not
> responsible if these instructions damage your rig in some way. All
> I can say is that I have performed the following procedures to my
> unit, and I am quite pleased with the results. Your mileage may
> vary, etc.
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> History
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> Version 1.0
> 1st introduced.
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> Version 1.1
> Added: Game mode, Changed High Power Mod to "Internal System
> Alignment". In this section I also detail the squelch and S-meter
> adjustments. Also added info to the bug on the FTT-12 Keypad.
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> Introduction
> The Yaesu FT-50 is perhaps the most unique VHF/UHF Handheld
> manufactured today. It's made to MIL-SPEC 810, for dust,
> splashproofness, and vibration. Out of the box, it has not only
> dual band 2m/440 capability, but wide FM receive and AM receive as
> well. In addition, it receives 76-200 MHz, 380-500 MHz, and
> 700-900 MHz (Cellular Blocked). It has one of the fastest scan
> speeds for an amateur HT. It also has the unique ability (w/
> ADMS-1C software) to interface with an IBM PC running Windows and
> have memories and settings uploaded/downloaded. In addition, it
> has DCS (digital coded squelch), ARTS (auto-ranging transpond
> system), and Yaesu's excellent transmit and receive battery saver
> features. It also uses Yaesu's extremely efficent FET power module
> that allows for 5W+ of output power with a 9.6V battery pack. With
> the optional FTT-12 keypad, the unit also performs CTCSS decode,
> DTMF paging, and also incorporates a Digital Voice Recorder! All
> of this functionality in such a small package makes it my rig of
> choice.
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> Problems (Bugs)

> Unfortunately, the FT-50 is plagued by a few bugs. None of them
> are very serious or life-threatening, just a bit annoying. First
> among them is its Wide-FM receive. Apparently Yaesu engineers
> didn't put a wide enough filter in the unit, and some of the
> bandwidth of broadcast FM signals gets "chopped off". This means
> that the rig is near useless for listening to music on the
> broadcast FM band. It works marginally with voice only on the same
> band. My opinion on this problem: If you want to listen to music,
> bring a small Walkman or other transistor radio with you. The '50
> does an adequate job of bringing voice signals in on broadcast FM,
> so it's good for listening to emergency broadcasts.
> The second "bug" lies in the optional FTT-12 keypad. The manual
> for the radio states that you can set up a "voice mail" type of
> functionality that lets your radio operate unattended and record
> calls for you. This mode doesn't work correctly, although the
> built-in voice recorder works great. It seems that the unit will
> playback the wrong voice partition. The problem appears to be in
> the DTMF page-answer-back area. If you're buying the '50 and
> FTT-12 solely for this purpose, DON'T! It doesn't work and there's
> no current workaround.
> The third bug has been complained about a bit. It seems that some
> '50s suffer from a low Tx audio problem. This is due to a factory
> adjustment that is set a bit on the low side. It is easily fixed.
> (See Factory Adjustments below).
> The fourth "bug" is synergistic with the ADMS-1C software. If
> there is some kind of problem in downloading a file to the radio,
> the software aborts with an error, and the rig is left with it's
> memories cleared in a "limbo" state. This state is actually the
> European band plan, and if done properly, the rig can be modified
> to receive even more frequenciesï¿½ which will be described later.
> (See modification section) However, if you want to return the rig
> to its natural state, simply download a blank frequency file
> (NONAME.RDF) to the unit. All should be well.
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> Factory adjustments
> If your rig suffers from the low Tx audio problem, here's how to
> fix it.
>
> 1. Remove the battery and antenna.
> 2. Remove the "NiCd" sticker on the heat sink. If you remove it
> very carefully, it's possible to re-install it later with the same
> stickum that's on it.
> 3. Look in the cavity where you removed the sticker. Proceeding
> from left to right, here's what you'll seeï¿½
> Phillips head Screw (Holds the keypad in)
> Small Silver Potentiometer (VR1001ï¿½VHF Deviation
> Adjustment)
> Small Silver Potentiometer (VR1002ï¿½UHF Deviation
> Adjustment)
> Small White Potentiometer (TC1001ï¿½DONT TOUCH! CTCSS Tone

> Adjustment!!!)
> Phillips head Screw (Holds the keypad in)
> 4. Take a small Phillips head Screwdriver and turn both VR1001 and
> VR1002 about 1/8 turn clockwise. This will increase the VHF and
> UHF deviation and fix the low Tx audio problem. If it's not enough
> Tx audio, simply turn both pots another 1/8 turn. Make sure to
> turn both pots the same amount!
> 5. Replace the NiCd sticker, battery, and antenna.
> 6. You're Done!
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> Internal System Alignment (May not work on some radios)
> NOTE: This setting appears to work on radios that have NO MEMORIES
> programmed. You might want to try STEP 3 before clearing your
> memories. If step 3 doesn't work, you probably need to clear your
> memories. BE CAREFUL with these settingsï¿½ it's possible to really
> mess the rig up by setting some funky squelch or somethingï¿½ you
> might want to write the default settings for your rig down.
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> 1. Select 2m VFO frequency.
> 2. Turn the radio off.
> 3. Push LAMP, PTT, Knob, and PWR at the same time. The rig will
> turn on with the squelch open, so turn the volume down!
> 4. The '50 will display "BAND xxxxxx" where xxxx may differ
> depending on your radio and whatever mods you may have performed.
> 5. Turn the top knob. There are a variety of settings available.
> Here is a listing of them:
> ï¿½ HSSQ: Squelch Hysteresis Adjustment, adjusted by the dial.
> ï¿½ THSQ: Squelch Preset Threshold
> ï¿½ TISQ: Squelch Preset Tight
> ï¿½ S1LV: Low-Scale S-1 Adjustment.
> ï¿½ S9LV: S-Meter Full Scale Adjustment.
> ï¿½ HIPO: Hi Transmit Power Adjustment: Should be calibrated for 5W
> (Can be pushed higher with a 13.8V Supply)
> ï¿½ L3PO: Level 3 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for 2.8W.
> ï¿½ L2PO: Level 2 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for 1W.
> ï¿½ L1PO: Level 1 Power Adjustment: Should be adjusted for .1W.
> 6. Select the adjustment you wish.
> 7. Push in the Top knob. There will be a "s" that appears next to
> the displayed number.
> 8. Rotate the knob to change the setting.
> 9. Change other settings, if desired.
> 10. Push the knob for more than 1 sec to save the profile.
> 11. Select 440 VFO frequency.
> 12. Repeat Steps 3-10 to adjust the UHF Settings. UHF Settings will
> have a "U" in front of them.
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> Modifications
> The FT-50 is extremely easy to modify. The first modification is
> performed for you at the factoryï¿½ but for those of you who
> accidently disabled it, or changed itï¿½ here it is.

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> Extended U.S. Receive Mod (Expands receive from 144-148 & 430-450
> to 76-200, 380-500, 800-999 'cell blocked') NOTE: All
> memories will be erased.
> 1. Turn the transceiver off.
> 2. Hold down the Knob and Lamp keys while powering the unit on.
> 3. The unit now has U.S. Extended Receive.
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> MARS/CAP mod (Extended Transmit Mod: app. 144-159, 420-470) NOTE:
> All memories will be erased.
> Don't transmit on bands that you're not licensed for!! Besides
> being illegal, it creates problems for people using those
> frequencies.
> 1. Remove battery & antenna
> 2. Remove NiCd Sticker on Rear Heat Sink
> 3. Loosen (Don't Remove) Philips head screws on rear that hold
> keypad in.
> 4. Use screws as thumb holds to press keypad out.
> 5. Remove screws.
> 6. Remove Keypad.
> 7. Under Keypad on Left Side there is a series of Solder Jumpers.
> They are labeled in white from 1-3. Only #1 will have solder
> jumpering it. Remove the solder, being careful not to damage or
> touch any other components. WARNING: If you're not good at
> desoldering, or have shaky hands, you might want to have someone
> else do this for you. It's REAL easy to damage the rig.
> 8. Reinstall Keypad. Be careful of the O-ring around the keypad.
> Make sure it's not twisted or damaged, as the waterproofness of the
> unit could be compromised.
> 9. Install sticker, battery and antenna.
> 10. Hold down Knob and Lamp keys while powering the unit on.
> (Extended Receive Mod as above.)
> 11. Completed!
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> Super-Hyper Awesome Modï¿½ The mother of all Mods!!! (Requires
> ADMS-1C software and MARS/CAP mod to be performed)
> Receive: 76-999 Mhz (No displayable holes!!!)
> Transmit: 120-221 Mhz, 320-499 Mhz (AGAIN, Don't transmit on
> frequencies where you're not licensed)
> NOTE: This mod will disable ARS (automatic repeater shift) and will
> set 2m and 440 repeater offset to
> weird numbers. Make sure you enter repeater offset and +-
> shift manually. Repeater offset needs
> be set once for the rig, then it should be able to be
> forgotten about. It will also clear memories.
> Remember above where I mentioned the ADMS-1C software having a bug?
> Here's where the enterprising and curious ham can take advantage
> of that. This mod will install the European band plan in your
> radioï¿½so without the MARS/CAP mod you will lose the top portion of
> your 2m band.

> 1. Are there frequencies in your radio? Don't want to lose them?
> Simply get the data from your radio as it sitsï¿½ you can "merge" the
> frequencies later. Save the file.
> 2. Perform the MARS/CAP mod as outlined above. Get the data from
> the mod and name it USA.RDF.
> 3. Attempt to send the same data to the radio. In the middle of
> the transfer (around 50%), pull the adapter cable to the PC out of
> the radio.
> 4. Thanks to the bug, your radio is now in European mode! Perform
> the Extended Receive Mod by holding the Knob and Lamp keys down
> while turning the unit on.
> 5. Now, the Automatic Repeater offset doesn't work. There's no
> workaround. Note that the 2m offset has been changed to 0.00. Go
> to the menu by holding down the knob. Go to SHFT, Option 7. Press
> the knob. Turn the knob so that it reads 0.60. Press PTT.
> 6. Now, turn off the radio. Put it back into clone mode. Read the
> data back from the radio to the PC and save the file as EURO.RDF.
> 7. If you want to enter frequencies manually or using ADMS as
> normal, go ahead. Everything should work. If you saved
> frequencies as above, open EURO.RDF and "merge" the frequencies
> from your USA.RDF file into it, and save it as another name. Then
> send the modified EURO.RDF (your filename) file back to the radio
> using the "template" file EURO.RDF. You're done!
> 8. To return the radio back to the U.S. band plan, send the USA.RDF
> file back to it.
> Note that I have no way of measuring the sensitivity of the
> frequencies or the output power of the rig outside of the ham
> bands. The 220 coverage seems to be very poor, however, the radio
> does display 220 frequencies. It won't transmit on our 220 bands,
> though. 800 Mhz receive is vastly improved.
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> Game Mode
> The FT-50R includes an interesting "game" that's programmed into
> it. Here's how it works:
> 1. Power up the radio while holding down the MR key. (PWR + MR).
> 2. The display will show GAME on the left side, and Spd 1 on the
> right. You're in game mode!
> 3. By rotating the knob, you can change the speed of the game.
> Higher numbers are faster.
> 4. Press PTT to start the game.
> 5. Numbers will start to scroll across the screen from
> left-to-right. As they come, you are supposed to push the number
> on the keypad that makes a sum of ten, followed by F. Example: 6
> appears, press 4, F. If 0 appears, enter 10 followed by F.
> 6. The game is over when the screen fills up with numbers.
> 7. To exit the game, simply cycle the power.

941. A message to hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: burt fisher <afn04469@afn.org>
Message-ID: <884358626.1823866882@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave

This is a message to you hams i am very sorry for the busting of you hams,but you see i am just a drunk and and the biggest asshole around because i am a wife beater and a lousy teacher and i beat my daughter to a pulp every niteso please forgive me plus a have a gay relationship with jim obrian

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

942. Alinco DR150 Mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: Eric Trowbridge <jbart@bigsky.net>
Message-ID: <34B64401.146B0509@bigsky.net>
Source record: 182130
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

Hello, I'm looking for any mods on the alinco DR-150 wasn't able to find any in the QRZ database so I'm resorting to finding someone that has done it on their own.

Tnx to anyone who has this information.

KC7YGH

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

943. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: kk5uu@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109155201.KAA26356@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182131

>Bill Larson wrote:
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>> My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
>> KF7IL, Bill.

you can also fill out a 610 form and mark the renewal box and mail it in

944. I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b57f67.12013225@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 182132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Greetings

1. Under the present rules, as I understand they apply, I am an avid supporter of needing to know the morse code to gain access to the hf voice sub-bands.

2. 'However', based on what I have read in this, and other radio, forums, and one-on-one chats with other amateurs,

I would be willing to support a no-code hf access licence 'if' that licence holder was not permitted to gain access to hf voice, as it is presently available on hf today.

If the person's sole activity on hf was packet, pactor, rtty etc. I would have no arguements to him/her getting on hf 'without' having to pass a morse code test first.

I just don't want someone to gain access to hf ssb/am/fm voice without first knowing the morse code. I realise that most amateurs, and non amateurs, feel that it appears to be contrary to logic that one would need to know an unrelated, seeminly oldfashion, mode to use a modern? mode, but, I, personally, believe that there is a good reason for this stepping stone arrangement.

To me, learning the code signifies, that you are aware that there are other modes out there besides voice and you are capable of decoding at least one of them. Also, with cw and the digital modes so close to each other, frequency wise, you are often exposed to the digital modes while listenning to cw. With the voice subband, that is basically all you are exposed to. Only voice, except with sstv, is in the voice subbands. No other modes are there. You are not, in my opinion, exposed to any other mode, but accidentaly tuning.

It has little or nothing to do with the itu etc, I just personally believe that when someone's primary mode of communications is voice, vhf-fm or hf-ssb, that is all they will use. I know many of you will disagree with me but I find that those who have learned and use the morse code 'tend' to be more aware of the other modes and may, at times, tend to investigate them more.

With voiice that seems to be it, no looking around at anything else.

Now someone will argue about vhf packet and the basic licence but we are discussing hf not vhf/uhf.

I would be most interested in other amateurs and non-amateurs opinion about this idea. I don't expect this will be a popular idea, but, it is a possible way of creating a hf no-code licence and still protecting the morse code and helping amateur radio, all at the same time.

Larry ve3fxq

945. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <695htt$9t8$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 182133

RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote:
> In article <67e2vs$av2$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>, "User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys"

> Mprse telegraphy was originally meant to be used to punch holes in paper tape,
> which would then be read by eye with the use of templates. Operators quickly
> learned to copy by ear, even before this new-fangled telegraph idea really got
> off the ground. The sounder was born about the same time as the first
> long-distance (out of earshot) telegraph line. The paper punch idea was
> discarded for the next hundred years or so except in player pianos.

Wrong.

The original Morse set used an inker, not a punch, and it was used
for several years on the Baltimore line, and the New York lines,
and others adapted various forms of inking and writing devices during
that time, also (1840's). None used punch tape of any sort. The power
required to operate a punch was not practically available then, and
the best they could do was operate a relay armature with a pen attached
to it. One used chemical electrolysis to do the writing.

The sounder was developed from the local relays that were used to
key branch circits with separate batteries and inkers. I am not
aware of any of Morse's work using punched paper tape in any of
the early literature.

> You may have noticed that all really really old keys have two sets of
> contacts... MAKE and BREAK. I would assume ... well never mind what I assume.

Wrong again.

Morse's original keys from 1840 were a simple strap key adapted from
european ``finger keys''.

The keys of the 1840's era, when things began to take off were further
adapted from the european ``finger keys'', and only the British seemed
to develop dual contact keys in the 1860's or a little later. They
were used as late as WWII in telegraph sets of various kinds, including
the famous TG-5 box telegraph set.

> "ENGINEER'S MINI-NOTEBOOK, Communications Projects", by Forrest Mims III, Radio
> Shack, has a simple electromagnetic sounder in it that uses only MAKE and GND.
> Maybe the BREAK circuit engaged a damper that stopped the sounder vibrating? or
> maybe the BREAK simply ensured that the armature pulled away from the sounder
> plate, or maybe there were two sounder plates. Need to examine an antique
> sounder or do some reading.

> If you have ever used an antique key with the extra contacts, you probably were
> intrigued by the extra clack of the BREAK contacts. It sure does sound nice
> once you get used to it. Kinda sounds like the telegrapher on the really old
> westerns. At 20 WPM it sounds like you are really flying if you disable your
> side-tone and open the contacts up enough to hear them good.

The back contacts on the keys were used to automatically close the line
circuit at the cessation of keying, as opposed to the American closer
switch lever. The British called those double circuit keys, if my
memory is not too foggy, today. Hams often find the Type 19 set keys
and the TG-5 telegraph set keys at hamfests, and those are probably
the most common double circuit keys you will find, today.

> By the way, they wouldn't have called it CW (continuous wave) since it was DC.
> The term CW did not appear until well after the dawn of the fadio age, when the
> birth of the oscillator spelled Spark Gap mode's eventual demise. CW, DC
> telegraphy, and Spark are all on/off modulated with Morse Code, yet they are
> completely different modes and the term CW applies to only one of them.

Correct, CW applies only to continuous waves generated by arc converters
or vacuum tube and related later electronic devices.

Marconi tried to make spark continuous wave by phasing multiple spark
gaps (rotary gaps) synchronously in his ``Timed Spark'' circuits, but
it never caught on.

The generation of Continuous Wave (CW) began in 1907 with the experiments
of Poulsen (based upon experiments about 1900 by Duddell) of an arc
generator or arc converter as it was called then. This was basically
a carbon arc lamp placed where a spark gap would go. Eventually, it
was placed in a strong magnetic field in a closed chamber with hydrogen
gas and alcohol vapors to stabilize the arc flame. The 100kw arc
converters left over from the transoceanic circuits of WWI became the
basis for that big hunk of iron cyclotron atom smashier that still
sits somewhere at Berkeley.

Vacuum tube oscillators originated in 1912, in DeForest's lab and at
the same time by Armstrong in his regenerative circuit. They were adapted
to transmitting use by General Electric (I think) about 1914, and were
not practically used until about 1918 (A few army tube sets were available
in France in WWI, but not many, based upon 5 watt tubes and a very few
100 watt GE pliotron tubes).

> As far as difficulty in learning goes, I doubt that it would be much more
> difficult to learn Morse telegraphy with a well-designed sounder than with an
> oscillator. It's just whatever you get used to first, I think.

That is basically true. I like the resonant ring of a good sounder,
myself, but they don't QRQ too fast. When my OM was in the army in
the 20's at WVB he used to read the circuits by the clacking of the relays
in the transmitters as the ops were sending (from about 10 miles away),
and knew when to switch transmitters or frequencies by reading the bloody
relays on the fly. But, he learned on morse circuits around 1910. So,
reading relays was a natural. I often use the relays in the keying lines

of my Hartleys and my BC-375 instead of sidetones. It just sounds neater. Modern rigs don't make much relay sound anymore.

If you need references, Morse's original work from 1848 is reprinted: ftp://piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu/pub/Glowbugs/Historic/ look for the vail*.* documents. See also, Jones, Alexander, 1852, ``Historical Sketch of the Electric Telegraph'', New York, George P. Putnam, 194pp, for details of the early keys and methods of writing telegraphically. For information on the double circuit keys, I can get that, but I don't have that reference handy. For details of the spark and arc CW generators, see Elmer Bucher's 1917 Practical Wireless Telegraphy.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob

946. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980109003200.TAA01391@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182182

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>Now it gets really interesting, because while most hams want a no code
>license, I want a no theory license, because I don't have any particular
>interest in tinkering with radios, stringing antennas up outside my home,
>etc. etc. I want to send and receive CW, that's it.
>
>Many people have replied to my request for information on "virtual CW" with
>the response "but who would you talk to?"... I have friends who also like
>CW, and I also believe that there are others like me who would enjoy the
>mental challenge and stimulation that CW provides. If we build it they will
>come.
>
>

George, you do know, of course, that WD5CID's SUPERMORSE program supports modem to modem QSO, don't you? You can use either a key on the keyboard for a key, use the regular whole keyboard like a terminal, or hook up your trusty straight key or bug. I really like the program... it got me from almost nothing to Extra+ in just a few weeks. I got it for download, version 4.16, at my website. http://members.aol.com/RCrusoe/ab5vh.index.html . The site is still pretty crude as I don't know much about this stuff yet, but I'm working on it. Anyway, you should be able to download the prog there. It is a sel-expanding zip file with the EXE extension, so be sure and save to disk instead of OPEN it, which will just shotgun the program files into your download directory. You have to make a directory, move SM416.EXE to the directory, then run. The file will explode into the complete program. It can be made to run in WINDOWS fairly well. If you just plain like Morse Code, leave this puppy running all night at 35 WPM while you sleep. In the morning, turn it down to 25 or 28 and check out how slow it sounds at that speed! You can send text files to the speaker, random groups, randomly generated QSOs, regular words, a sample randomly generated code exam like the ARRL VEs use, whatever. You can hook up a straight key and practice your sending too. There is provision for interfacing with a radio, too. Though RX is rather involved, a 2N2222 stuffed inside a DB-9 hood is all you need for sending perfec code from the keyboard. Weight and timing are fully adjustable. There are a lot of learning modes, so it is a good program for elmering with.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

947. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-09 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cf5a4d.12986469@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 182183

Jerry Black <jb@gatewayone.com> wrote:

>Glen Quarnstrom wrote:

>> >Now what's your plan? Lets hear it. And, I belong to the League.
>>
>> It's right up there in the paragraph above. Get involved. It's the
>> only game in town, so make it represent YOUR views. Of course, if you
>> think that the ARRL really has all of your best interests as a ham and
>> an American citizen at heart and is doing a perfect job of
>> representing them, then do nothing, as most hams do.
>
>This isn't a plan.

Really? Why not? It lacks detail, but it allows everyone to be as
effective as they wish to be in supporting their own desires and
needs. Any "plan" I came up with is bound to be contrary to what you
might want.

>What *positively* do you recommend. I can do all kinds of things to be
>involved, but they may be futile rather than effective.
>
>What specifically is your plan?

I've posted some suggestions in the past here in this group.

>So far, I find nothing of value in your communications on this subject.

I can't help that.

>Suprise me with something worth reading.

Surprise me by doing some research; Deja News is your friend. Or by
presenting a "plan" of your own as a pattern.

Or would you rather just sit there and attack what I've said?
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WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

948. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ctwla@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <698gv3$k28@sjx-ixn1.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181885
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>>You don't get a year in the slammer in the UK, even for eavesdropping
>>on the Queen's private phone calls! :-)
>>
>>73 de G3NYY
>
> But you can't own a firearm, can you, English Slave?

He is neither a slave nor he is a citizen He is a subject!
C Thomas

>
>
>Bill
>

949. KEN TH28A mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: gskram@pol.org
Message-ID: <msg166733.thr-1750710.f44d2@pol.org>
Source record: 181886

The Kenwood 28A is a 2 meter with 400 mhz receive.
Is there a keypad modification available for this radio?
I would like to expand the 400 mhz receive capability of this radio if possible.
I met someone at a hamfest that had this mod, but he said it had it when he bought it.

950. F.S. Mirage/KLM 300 Watt 2 Meter Amp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5dxr@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110201001.PAA02797@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181887

Model B-1030G. 10 in gets 300 out. All mode. Preamp. Cost $650 new. Asking $425. Email me if interested.

Mark - K5DXR

951. Re: SALE - List

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Garth E. Brackbill" <garthe@acsworld.net>
Message-ID: <34B7D731.49E57366@acsworld.net>
Source record: 181888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap

Does anyone know someone who has a broadband receiver tube or otherwise
for between $50 -$75 that works. Doesn't have to look pretty just work.
THX.

Garth E. Brackbill

952. FS or Trade: Mini Tower Case w/PS & DRAM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rod Logsdon <bike4life@bikerider.com>
Message-ID: <698jfq$q1h@dfw-ixnews6.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181889
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap
Body handling: Inline uuencoded payload not displayed: Rodney L. Logsdon.vcf

I need a TNC.

I have an old mini tower case with a 200 watt power supply and a DEAD 286
mother board. The case has 2 external and 1 internal drive bay. The
motherboard has 2mb of DRAM onboard. There is also a 1.2 MB 5 1/4 drive and
a 1.44 MB 3 1/2 drive installed along with an old RLL drive controller.

Asking $50.00 for everything + shipping or will trade for a TNC.

Rod Logsdon
bike4life@bikerider.com

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end

953. What happened to EEB?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: varpenns <varpenns@usaor.net>
Message-ID: <698l80cfh1@news6.ispnews.com>
Source record: 181890

Does anyone know what happened to EEB
(Electronics Equipment Bank in Virginia)?

I tried their e-mail address from the 1997 catalog and
the website but they were not active. Also tried the
800 number and a second number from directory
assistance, both were no longer in service.

If you know what happened, I would appreciate a
reply via e-mail. Thanks ---- Don

e-mail address: varpenns@usaor.net

954. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com>
Message-ID: <34B7D836.4BF0@ccnet.com>
Source record: 181891

Are you serious.....(Not meant to flame) Check the callsign directories for your area. I live in the San Francisco Bay Area and there are over 100 hams within 1 mile of my house. Try listening on 20 meter phone..... There is no space left for any 2 metere repeaters in the SF area and I think 440 is the same. In Han Radio we need "QUALITY" not "Quantity"!

73's,
Don W6IQ

> Meaning no offense, but you guys have got to be crazy. We
> have too few amateurs now. Retesting can only decrease the
> number, as some people will be too busy to retest, or will
> view it as a hassle that they will not put up with over and
> over again. For that matter, what is wrong with the hams we
> have now? Why do we need to mess with them by imposing the
> burden of retesting? What a pointless hassle that would be!

955. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: David L Pearce <dlpearce@eos.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <34B7DD17.45DA@eos.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 181892
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> By the way, how does your DSS system work during a heavy rain storm?
> Unless you have a very strong signal, the path attenuation really goes
> up during a thunderstorm. We had to shut down final inspection because
> we couldn't receive the satellite. The present system required some
> minor retooling in the late 1940's because things turned up that had not
> been seen even though there had been broadcasting from about 1936 to the
> end of 1941. Everyone remembers the RCA 630TS as the prototype of
> commercial receivers for decades. The set had no AGC. The contrast
> control was an RF gain control because common knowledge at the time said
> that VHF signals were not subject to signal fluctations. Improving AGC
> systems to minimize airplane flutter was still a problem in the 1960's.

In Ahoskie, NC, where my parents are receiving DSS, bad thunderstorms are the routine. Signal strength get to be about 89% at its worst, while it typically receives at 93% signal strength (the on screen bar graph). I have actually never seen the signal fluctuate to the point where it became unwatcheable, besides once in a snow storm where the dish became half filled with snow, and the LNB was fully frozen with ice. Evidently the ice blocked the signal to the point where the dimished focusing power of the dish became insuffecient.

Sincerely,

--
David L Pearce - KF4MOK
Internet Packet Switched: dlpearce@eos.ncsu.edu
Forwarding pktBBS address: KF4MOK@W4RAL.#RTP.NC.USA.NOAM

956. Re: What happened to EEB?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Lewis <aa4pb@erols.com>
Message-ID: <34B7E036.7CB0E45D@erols.com>
Source record: 181893

It is my understanding that they are out of the amateur business -
commercial only.

varpenns wrote:

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> (Electronics Equipment Bank in Virginia)?
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> I tried their e-mail address from the 1997 catalog and
> the website but they were not active. Also tried the
> 800 number and a second number from directory
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> reply via e-mail. Thanks ---- Don
>
> e-mail address: varpenns@usaor.net

957. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <698nm4$3vb@mtinsc05.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181894
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 10:50:34 -0800, Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca> posted:

Laura: M@s@ only has @y@s (eyes) for himself. Apparently M@s@ cannot see or
read what goes on beyond his eyelids .... ;0)

>Cutie Boy wrote:
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>...laura

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from KA9HRT (not K9HRT) [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]
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958. WANTED: Looking for low power rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Neil & Marsha Robin <nrobin@aa.net>
Message-ID: <34B7EB63.70C6@aa.net>
Source record: 181895

Looking for a low power (QRP) HF SSB rig for maybe 15-20-40 meters. 12 volt battery operation. The battery will be no larger than 5 AH @ 12 volts and is recharged off of a solar panel. Daily operational time will be limited to a few minutes.

Thanks, Neil, WA7NBF
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So much to do....so little time.

959. Mods for IC-T7A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Iain Dunne <NO_SPAMfailte!@usa.net>
Message-ID: <698r9i$kc7@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181896

Anyone know of any mods for the Icom IC-T7A handheld? I'm looking mostly for Tx in the commercial VHF/UHF range.

Much thanks in advance.

Iain

(Please remove the NO_SPAM from my e-mail address when replying.)

960. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Howard Gould <howieg@freewwweb.com>
Message-ID: <34B7CF56.1533@freewwweb.com>
Source record: 181897
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Mike Capone wrote:
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> On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:58:29 -0800, Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
> wrote:
>
> >michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
> >>
> >> Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> >> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> >> the resonance points.
> >>
> >> ---------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
> >> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
> > >
> > >Boy, that's a good one....
> > >
> > >73,
> > >
> > Well, although illegal, thats the EASY way out to finding out how much
> > your antenna is off. A "legal" way is to get an SWR anylyzer like MFJ
> > makes, or any of the other "Rf anylyst" type devices. Rather pricey
> > tho at $100-200, but easy way to match up antennas without having to
> > use a tranciever.
> >
> > -Mike
Mike hit it on the head, besides if you really want to expand the
transmit, you can do it illegally for 19.95 witb the purchase of a mod
book available at local HRO or supplier. For another ham to give you
that info would be in violation of code of ethics and you are on your
own when you do decide to transmit out of ham bands. If you have a valid
MARS license you can get the info your looking for with no problem by
showing proof of to the manufacturer or local HRO or other supplier.
Howie W$NVF

961. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.3.94.980110172325.17645D-100000@Ocean.CAM.ORG>
Source record: 181898
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998, Laura Halliday wrote:

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> > internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
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> > (who cares anyway ?)
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> any of the emergency communications? How have hames been involved?
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> ...laura
>
>

There was a piece on the local CBC radio outlet on Friday, and I thought also on the six oclock local CBC tv news (I might be mistaken about the latter, since I was "watching" CBC tv via an FM BCB radio) about hams providing communication, here in Montreal and in Quebec City.

This has been the worst emergency that I can think of here, and I've lived here all my 38 years. There were some snow storms in '71 and '72, but I don't remember them being as bad. It's an odd situation, because the weather hasn't been all that bad. It's been warm, and I had no problems walking around, though some areas probably are worse. But it has done tremendous damage to the power lines and the trees. Last night, was the worst of the environmental situation that I've seen; it was way too icy to get anywhere. I slipped at the bottom of the path, and came right back in.

It has stretched out quite a bit, and the problems tend to compound on others, though there have been few injuries.

There have been reports that in some areas the cellphones are failing, because their batteries are dying. Yesterday, they were reporting that something like 40,000 phones were not working, and though I can't remember the details, I thought it was so mething more than broken wires.

People can't buy things because the stores are closed, or as the week wore on, no cash. Today, when I was in a grocery store, they were having problems dealing with bank cards.

There was very little preparation, which probably is the key to emergeny preparation. Until it happens to you, it is too abstract to think through the details, and all the lists of things to have on hand and be prepared

can always be put off till tomorrow.

My power was off for only 24 hours, and that at the end of a week of power problems elsewhere in the city. As long as the security of the power was there, it was easy to wait till later to get some batteries and food that you can eat without heat.

I'll not have the problem again, though there may never again be a problem. I'm going to get that 12V gelcell battery that I've been planning to get, just in case, to be able to power a radio and some small bulbs, which would be definitely better than AA cells and a flashlight that wasn't working all that well.

This doesn't really answer the question about hams, because I don't know the situation. I realize in this situation how nice it would have been to have a 2m rig. I think generally, more people are aware of the need for backup power, and yes, if hams don't have backup power the communications gear means nothing.

Michael VE2BVW

962. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B803A0.3A1C@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181899
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwight Stewart wrote:
> Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the
> future.

Clearly you have not tuned around the HF bands and conducted your own personal survey of activity of the different modes operating there. You'll find several times more CW stations than packet, and if you had ever operated HF packet you would know that it is not dependable because of lack of noise immunity. Most of the brACKing going on on HF is retries, retries, retries.
Dick W0EX

963. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8068e.570790@news.total.net>
Source record: 181900
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I volunteered for emergency communication at Croix Rouge Canadienne
(principal quart).

The cellular phones were working "fairly well" (under no electricity
condition... the commercial guys aren't so stupid to shut down) while
I was on duty so we didn't have to handle too much communications, but
we did for general info such as bridge closing info, highway closing
info etc. which couldn't be obtained through simple cellular phone
calls.

If they didn't have cells, I was sure that we were more busy.

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 21:03:00 GMT,
plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM (Charlie) wrote:

>On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 10:50:34 -0800, Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca> posted:

> Laura: M@s@ only has @y@s (eyes) for himself. Apparently M@s@ cannot see or
>read what goes on beyond his eyelids .... ;0)

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Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

964. Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b804d0.125106@news.total.net>
Source record: 181901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.

Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
using it ?

It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.

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965. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Danaher <gdanaher@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B811F7.3B6B0E6F@flash.net>
Source record: 181902

Aside from the fact that a TS830 can not be modified to listen to or transmit on 11 meters, no law abiding amateur is going to provide you information to violate the law. Stick to 4 watts out and be happy, or get a license.

andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:

> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
> advise how, would be grateful.
>
> Regards
> Andrew.
>
> ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

966. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: dshandro@nyx.net
Message-ID: <699a25$4s8$1@nyx10.nyx.net>
Source record: 181903

Greetings,

Retesting in order to renew an amateur radio license is the wrong way to go. It involves the spending of more money and other scarce resources. Like another poster already stated, there isn't, as a while, anything wrong with our current ham population. I am an extra class operator, and I have retained the knowledge necessary in order to participate in the areas of amateur radio in which I choose to participate. I do not need to be retested!

967. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B82844.70A3@icss.net>
Source record: 181904
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Laura Halliday wrote:
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> Cutie Boy wrote:
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> > internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
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> any of the emergency communications? How have hames been involved?
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> ...laura

Laura, I had an idea for emergency comms. Since many computers generate
RFI, M@S@ could switch his on and off in order to generate a new mode
using morse code. It will be called Interrupted Continuous Wave
Computer Generated Radio Frequency Interference (ICWCGRFI for short).
Anyone within 20 feet should be able to copy.
If only the computer manufacturers would have given us a key jack
instead an on-off switch.
Sayonara,
Brian/N0iMD

968. Link to your site!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jughead <jughead@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <34B83FA6.B77@teleport.com>
Source record: 181905

If you would like a link from Jughead's Information Station - Radio Related Websites -- http://www.teleport.com/~jughead/ham_websites.htm to your website in one of the following areas, please send me e-mail or use my Feedback Form.

REGIONAL RACES/ARES WEBSITE
NON-REGIONAL GENERAL HAM RADIO WEBSITE
AMATEUR OPERATORS PERSONAL HOMEPAGE

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Jughead -- jughead@teleport.com
Jughead's Information Station -- http://www.teleport.com/~jughead

969. FS: Kenwood TK-805 UHF Moble

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin4321 <kevin4321@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <uZ2pXgkH9GA.218@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 181906

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Kevin-

970. kenwood rcp2911

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B846B1.26A6@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181907

I have been trying to download the radio controll program for my kenwood 570d from the Kenwood ftp site with no success.

Am using wsftp, but I can not get the file rcp2911.zip to download for some reason.

Does someone have this file who can send it to me?

It would be greatly appreciated!

73
Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

971. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B85AEC.4C56@ibm.net>
Source record: 181908
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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You guys are arguing over whether chocolate or strawberry ice cream is the best. Why can we all just live and let live? Neither one of you can force the other to like your favorite mode. Outside of a power trip, I have no idea why anyone would want to try.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

972. Subcarrier Data Rates?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: gmercer@webtv.net
Message-ID: <884495196.412614661@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181909

Does anyone know the data rates possible using FM subcarriers?

I'm looking for bps.

I've been trying to compare this to N-PCS (Flex).

Also, does anyone happen to know the web address of Cue Network?

Thanks for your help,

Greg

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
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973. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B85D0C.4F1D@ibm.net>
Source record: 181910
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> As a long time Ham, it concerns me that the hobby I have known and
> enjoyed for most of my lifetime could become a thing of the past
> because of the dogmatic requirement that a neophite in the hobby must
> learn to use an archaic form of communications.

Hi Michelle, I must warn you that you are much too rational to be
listened to by this newsgroup. Did you know that all the HF
troublemakers on 75m and 20m cheated on their Morse code exams?

73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC

974. Subcarrier Data Rates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: gmercer@webtv.net
Message-ID: <699l18$ke4$1@newsd-144.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 181911

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Greg

975. Kenwood RCP software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B86232.EC@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181912

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Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

976. What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b7d2ab.23970313@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181913

I have read a few messages which talk about OOK morse. Would somewone enlighten me on what OOK morse is?
Larry ve3fxq

977. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b7d1a3.23706284@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181914

Hi Andrew
I think that many amateurs are getting rather frustrated, and annoyed,
at the number of non amateurs asking amateurs how to modify amateur
equipment for, what amounts to, illegal use.
Larry

On Fri, 09 Jan 1998 01:21:16 -0600, andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:

>To all the people who responded with smart remarks-you just sit in your
>own little worlds and ponder the many ways to shit people up the wall.
>
>In article <884157016.983040019@dejanews.com>,
> andrewc@cyberdude.com wrote:
>>
>> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
>> advise how, would be grateful.
>>
>> Regards
>> Andrew.
>>
>> ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
>> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
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> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

978. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b7f6bd.33205687@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181915
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Greetings Dwight

Ok, let me turn this question around. What do you think would be
'fair' testing requirements and priveledges for someone wanting access
to the hf bands. And I emphasis the word 'fair'?

Larry ve3fxq

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 04:58:56 -0500, Dwight Stewart
<stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

>> lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote....
>>
>> I would be willing to support a no-code hf access licence 'if' that
>> licence holder was not permitted to gain access to hf voice.. <snip>
>>
>> To me, learning the code signifies, that you are aware that there
>> are other modes out there besides voice and you are capable of
>> decoding at least one of them. <snip>
>
>REPLY...
>
> Okay, since you think all operators should are capable of decoding at
>least one of the other modes, I think all Amateur operators should be
>required to learn how to send, and receive, packet manually (by hand and
>ear).
>
> Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the
>future. Because of that, such a test requirement would be much more
>relevant than the Morse code test requirement.
>
> And, if we are going to require this, and so many older operators
>don't know how to send/receive packet manually, we should require all
>operators to be re-tested for their ability to send, and receive, packet
>manually.
>
> Of course, most people would say this is utter nonsense - just like I
>say the Morse code test requirement is utter nonsense today.
>
> By the way, your idea to restrict hf voice access is utter nonsense
>also.
>
>Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

979. Re: NEED INFO BOATANCHORS AND DRAKE GROUP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34b76dcf.7663182@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 181935
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

On Thu, 01 Jan 1998 21:21:56 -0600, 8TJM@CONCENTRIC.NET wrote:

> CRASHED THE COMPUTER HERE BY ACCIDENT..NEED INFO ON HOW
>TO GET ON THE LIST FOR THE DRAKE NEWGROUP AND THE BOAT-
>ANCHOR GROUP .. THANKS AGAIN ..
>TIM

Tim, all of the information you could EVER want about ham radio LISTS
is at:

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamlynx/hamlists.htm

It is QUITE a comprehensive list with subscribing instructions and
details about all of the various e-mail groups that are out there!!

ENJOY!

73 de AF4K, Bry

980. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B76AAC.31BF@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181936

> Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote....
>
> Well said, if everybodys listening THE BAND IS DEAD.

REPLY...

Alright Tim, and Doug, point well taken. I have not exactly spent a lot of time on this frequency talking. I have it programmed in for scan, but I guess I should use it to talk more (which might help to cause others to use, and listen to, the frequency).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

981. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B76DDB.655B@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181937

> rice@SPAMBLOCK.ttd.teradyne.com (John Rice) wrote....
>
> 52.525Mhz has been established as the nationwide 6M FM Simplex
> calling frequency for as long as I can remember (I had a mobile on
> that freq 36 years ago).

REPLY...

Thanks John. I figured one had to exist, but none of my books mentioned it. After checking several books, with no mention, I was beginning to think that there was no calling frequency for 6 meters.

That frequency will get programmed into my radio immediately.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

982. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B76BFA.24A@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181938

> M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote...
>
> I think it depends on where you are. Here in the front range of
> Colorado 146.52 is very active.

REPLY...

That is true. I don't exactly live alone around here, but there is
little activity on the radio period (including this frequency).

There are many occasions where hours can go by before I hear any voice
on the radio (except myself). And everybody seems to go to bed around
eight (when they roll up the streets). :-)

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

983. Re: No Code Bashers Read This!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <697toj$o6o$5@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 181939

In article <34B26D54.C57E3F9D@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>Carl R. Stevenson wrote: The theory is necessary because ham radio is
>*supposed* to be a
>
>> It does NOT justify the continuation of Morse
>> tests for access to HF ...
>>
>
>But the CW requirement sure does cut down the number of LIDs on the HF bands
>when compared with two meters.
>
>Mark
>WA0DCA

That's not because of CW. Any person can walk into a ham store or radio shack, buy a 2 meter rig and start transmitting if they want to be a lid. The HTs and moble rigs today even have automatic repeater offsetting. Just turn them on and go. That's why the problem is bigger on 2 meters. It's a hair more complex for HF but if someone wanted to raise hell enough there they'll do it.

73,
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
Member: AAVSO Solar Division
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

984. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B74674.66F3@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote....
>
> I would be willing to support a no-code hf access licence 'if' that
> licence holder was not permitted to gain access to hf voice.. <snip>
>
> To me, learning the code signifies, that you are aware that there
> are other modes out there besides voice and you are capable of
> decoding at least one of them. <snip>

REPLY...

Okay, since you think all operators should are capable of decoding at least one of the other modes, I think all Amateur operators should be required to learn how to send, and receive, packet manually (by hand and ear).

Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the future. Because of that, such a test requirement would be much more relevant than the Morse code test requirement.

And, if we are going to require this, and so many older operators don't know how to send/receive packet manually, we should require all operators to be re-tested for their ability to send, and receive, packet manually.

Of course, most people would say this is utter nonsense - just like I say the Morse code test requirement is utter nonsense today.

By the way, your idea to restrict hf voice access is utter nonsense also.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

985. Re: ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
Message-ID: <34B7BA3E.5C67@compuzone.net>
Source record: 181941

Keith Reynolds wrote:
>
> I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use
> it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer
> interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please
> reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to
> this message.
>
> Thanks,
> Keith - n3uux
Hi Keith,
At the risk of sounding like one of the *self policing ego maniacs*, I
have to ask; is it a good idea to admit to using amateur equiptment on
commercial bands.
Just an observation.
73 --- Tim

986. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b8821d.1400126@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181942
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

>> >
>>
>> I got rid of my cable system and switched to DSS. Talk about a
>> difference. Digital is the way to go ... much better picture and
>> sound.i would never go back to cable. I have a second dish and can
>> even take it with me to field day or camping if I desire.
>>
>> W4SCO
>
>

>By the way, how does your DSS system work during a heavy rain storm?
>Unless you have a very strong signal, the path attenuation really goes
>up during a thunderstorm. We had to shut down final inspection because
>we couldn't receive the satellite.

It works great, no noticeable difference at all. A few days back we had one (1) inch of rain falling per hour here in Atlanta. I turned the set on to see what effect the rain was having, none!!

I have the new Sony 3rd Generation AD3, that might make the difference? And i am getting Direct-TV and USSB. My signal strength is about 85-87/100.

987. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B78423.7688@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181943
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> pausch@electra.saaf.se (Paul Schlyter) wrote...
>
> GSM isn't used just in Portugal, bot all over Europe, as well as in
> small parts of North America (Washington D.C. has a GSM cellular
> phone network for instance), and several countries on the Far East.

REPLY...

I only mentioned Portugal because that was where the original message came from (and where GSM was first mentioned). However, I was not aware that GSM had spread so far around Europe and the US.

The point I was trying to make in my message was that I had heard that some phones, and some repeaters, were still not digital, or encrypted, on some GSM systems (or at least that is what I have heard).

With luck, he might be able to hear these with a regular radio with the right frequencies (assuming such a repeater is nearby), but it would be very limited because most of the signals, on even those repeaters, would be digital and encrypted.

Of course, I could be wrong. All I have is second-hand information from a radio buddy in Germany (I am heading there soon, so have been digging for info about this type of stuff).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

988. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110142801.JAA18338@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181944

In article <34B6D256.8EF3DD60@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>
This is absolutely the most ridiculous statement I've seen you make yet.
>Gee why
should we incarcerate people who steal? I guess your attitude would
>be since they
are going to steal anyway we should teach them easier ways to
>do it eh? Guess it
doesn't matter much to you that it's against the law huh?
>Well uh, gosh Judge every
one else is stealing cars, all I wanted to know is
>how I could do it to.

Okay...so I'll ask you again. As an amateur operator, with your own interests in mind, would you rather he do his freebanding with a TS-830 or with a modified CB which would then be attatched to a cheap, dirty linear to make it equivalent in output to the 830. Which one of these scenarios would cause the most harm to YOUR operations if you happened to live in his neighborhood?

>To answer your second question, yes, I'd rather see
>him do a 'hack job' and in the
process destroy the finals, screw up the audio
>section, and with any luck screw up
the VFO so bad that he cant talk to
>anyone. Then he could unload his 830 at a swap
for $100, I'll buy it, restore
>it to original spec and enjoy it on the ham bands.
(where it belongs). If he
>wants to convert it that bad, let him study RF circuits
like the rest of us.
>Perhaps after having some good discussions on .homebrew he'll
realize how
>much fun it might be to build and operate an amateur station and
communicate
>with others who share the same interests, instead of continuing with
the CB
>mentality of adding a 'kicker' and cranking up the mic gain in hopes
>of
reaching more 'skipland'.

Nice attitude, Tim. I'm sure lotsa CBers who are thinking of becoming better citizens and "upgrading" to HAMBO-land will really have the incentive to become one after reading this.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

989. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b984b1.2060641@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181945

>
>Meaning no offense, but you guys have got to be crazy. We
>have too few amateurs now. Retesting can only decrease the
>number, as some people will be too busy to retest, or will
>view it as a hassle that they will not put up with over and
>over again. For that matter, what is wrong with the hams we
>have now? Why do we need to mess with them by imposing the
>burden of retesting? What a pointless hassle that would be!
>
>For example, many, perhaps most hams are disinterested in
>CW. They bone up, pass the test once, and promptly forget
>CW. What is wrong with that? Who cares? Most hams retain
>the knowledge that they need, and do a data dump on the
>rest. So what?
>
>The hams we have now are just fine. We just need more of
>them.

WELL SAID.
I certainly would not want to take my flight test again, or my college
exams again, or ...

W4SCO

990. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ctwla@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <69823u$7u8@dfw-ixnews11.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In <34b576e0.10495671@news.mindspring.com> helmsman writes:
>
>no.junk.mail@thank.you (Walt Davidson) wrote:
>
>>On Thu, 08 Jan 1998 15:13:44 -0800, kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net>
>>wrote:
>>
>>>How does a year in the slammer sound???
>>>
>>>At least, that's what you can get in California ;-)
>>
>>What happened to your much-trumpetted "Freedom of Information Act"?
>>And your "First Amendment"?
>
>Someone bought it after a night in the Lincoln bedroom motel.
Then he sold it to pay the interest on the CONTRAS suport bill
C Thomas

991. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110144801.JAA21419@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181947

In article <696r6m$g52$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>This is true, considering his racist posts on ks.misc.

Boy, you really seem to be hung up on this one, Tommy. Why don't you just post it here for everyone to see...that way, you won't have to babble about it anymore. And how many hours of searching DejaNews did it take you to find it? Perhaps you should call 1-800-GET-LIFE.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

992. Re: MARS Bands for TS 830s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110144801.JAA20325@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181948

In article <884419710.378798089@dejanews.com>, andrewc@cyberdude.com writes:

>I am currently searching for mod details for a TS 830s to enable receive
and
>transmit on MARS bands. Any help appreciated. Thanks in advance.

Better be ready to post your callsign, name, address, social security number, mother's maiden name, etc., to PROVE that you can legally use this mod...otherwise, face the wrath of the RADIO COPS who lurk from within on this newsgroup!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

993. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6981pd$2o9$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181949

In article <34B7545A.998F7C37@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:

>Meaning no offense, but you guys have got to be crazy. We
>have too few amateurs now. Retesting can only decrease the
>number, as some people will be too busy to retest, or will
>view it as a hassle that they will not put up with over and
>over again. For that matter, what is wrong with the hams we
>have now? Why do we need to mess with them by imposing the
>burden of retesting? What a pointless hassle that would be!

I disagree completely.

A decade is a long time. Rules, regulations, and technology changes.
It is not a bad idea to require a ham renewing his license to take
an examination on these changes, to ensure s/he is aware of all
the new regs, etc.

The only problem I see with this idea is that the examination needs
to be a *single* exam at each license class (e.g. you don't make people
renewing go through the cycle of 2 to 5 examinations all over again).
It will require a great deal of work at the VEC level, maintaining a
current question pool for an examination which needs to be timely.
This means constant, yearly updating of the "pool" for the renewal
examination, a great deal of work for the VEC system.

>The hams we have now are just fine. We just need more of them.

I see a bunch of people who would be better suited in the FRS. I
don't think we need more of them. We need more dedicated communicators
and technical innovators. We don't need more mundane "pick up milk on
the way home, honey".

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

994. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <698234$2p2$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181950

In article <34b6e250.127326916@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:

>I don't know if it would get rid of "scum", but annual retesting would
>go far to ensure that amateurs really remain competent in the areas
>which are considered essential for holding an amateur license. That
>is the stated government purpose of amateur exams after all.

That might be the stated government purpose, but its too bad that the
existing testing system doesn't accomplish it in the least. Instead, all
it does is test a person's ability to commit to short-term memory the
knowledge needed to correctly answer. I know several people on different
VE teams in this state, and they all say the same thing -- people come in,
take the test, walk out with a license, and forget everything they
learned. It seems the only people who consistantly have trouble passing
the examinations are those who actually try to LEARN the material, rather
than just learning the correct answers.

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995. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ctwla@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6981uj$18q@sjx-ixn4.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181951
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In <34b666ec.1845405@news.dial.pipex.com> no.junk.mail@thank.you (Walt Davidson) writes:
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>On Thu, 08 Jan 1998 15:13:44 -0800, kingsnake <kingsnake@dm.net>
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>>At least, that's what you can get in California ;-)
>
>What happened to your much-trumpetted "Freedom of Information Act"?
>And your "First Amendment"?
>
>You don't get a year in the slammer in the UK, even for eavesdropping
>on the Queen's private phone calls! :-)

That is because she has nothing of interest to say!

I remember years ago i was fixing my b&w TV, accidentaly i tuned between ch 82-83 and I heard (did not listened) a lot of those calls.
C Thomas

>
>73 de G3NYY
>
>--
>Walt Davidson Email: walt@ dial.pipex.com
>The original multiple choice exam question:
>"To be, or not to be? That is the question!"

996. Re: CrAcKeD's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b78f78.171650396@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181952

On 9 Jan 98 03:05:35 GMT, jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) wrote:
>Crack-user wrote: There are areas of the HF (amateur) bands allocated
>for voice-only..."
>
>Really? Could you please list those frequencies for us? The rules
>state that CW is allowed everywhere on every band. (And if the
>digital machines continue their downward progression to the lower
>band edges, expect to start hearing more and more CW in the traditional
>voice segments.)
>
>Jeff KH2PZ/7

Actually, there is one amateur allocation where OOK Morse is *prohibited*.
But analog voice isn't allowed there either. That's the 219 MHz band. It is
data mode only. Of course you can do digital voice, so I suppose it would
be technically correct to say that it is an amateur band where voice is allowed
but OOK Morse isn't.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

997. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34c11832.32343386@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181953

sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote:

>>'SCO' needs to go back to the books. Both his suggestions would put him
>>'out of band'.
>>
>
>Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
>to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?

Ever read the rules?
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

998. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69839cfuh1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181954

On 1998/01/09 prografx@teleport.com (Steve Kennedy) wrote:

>I hate to say it, but in my opinion you ASKED for it (with both
>barrels)!
>
> Asking how to modify high-powered amateur equipment for 27Mhz use on
> THIS newsgroup is like stopping by the "fed.gov.dea.bust" newsgroup
> and asking where you can buy some crack cocaine.
>
> You have to consider that illegal use of amateur equipment is a
> runaway epidemic worldwide in all bands. This problem is starting to
> overflow into amateur bands because people with few brains and no clue
> will have access to that radio that you want to modify.
>
> Amateurs are understandably TOUCHY about these kinds of activities!
>
> Steve
> WB7PSD

Exchange of information is not illegal. If it were, modification books and CDs would not be on the shelves of AES in Wickliffe. It's a little thing called the First Amendment.

However, how such information is *used* is a totally different story, and just as many hams have made questionable mods on equipment as CBers.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

999. Re: Mode Designators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b7934d.172631718@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181955

On 9 Jan 1998 23:28:11 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>>I am looking for a list of modes for amateur radio in a format that links
>>them with their alphanumeric designator. I would like to find one that shows
>>the modes as names (ie. SSB, CW, RTTY, etc) and pairs them up with their
>>equivalent designator (ie. J3E, A1A, etc).
>
>See Part 97, rules of the FCC.
>
>K&#65533;MB

The list in 97.3(c) is incomplete and imprecise. For the complete and
precise list, see Part 2.201 instead.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1000. Your opinion about this repeater, please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110155400.KAA27507@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181956

Hi,

I have access to a GE MVP split site repeater system. The goodies include...

VHF TX 25W
UHF TX 20W
with PL Tone Boards
VHF uplink & downlink transceivers
Crystal elements
Microphone & Speaker

purchase price around $200.

Is this a good system, worth $200! Should I buy it?
Your thoughts and opinions please would be most helpful.

Thanks and ' 73
Jeremy
KF4RTY

1001. ft-8100R mods ok

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <6984t6$sa9@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 181957

After making my previous post I discovered that the computer interface
works fine after making a new template of the rig after the mod.

1002. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steve Arrington <stevea@westga.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.96.980110040908.8196B-100000@sun.cc.westga.edu>
Source record: 181958

On Fri, 9 Jan 1998, Dwight Stewart wrote:

> > sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote...
> >
> >
> > That freq is too hard to remember. We would need a simplier freq ...
> > something like 148.000 mhz ???
>
> 146.52 has already been established as the nation-wide simplex calling
> frequency. All it needs is better promotion.
>
> > 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
> > something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
>
> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
> frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
> your point about range.

For fm 6 meters its 52.525
For am 6 meters its 50.400
for ssb 6 meters its 50.200

Steve

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Bowdon Georgia 30108 Carrollton Georgia
Internet = stevea@westga.edu http://www.westga.edu/

1003. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34B7BADD.4FB1@no.net>
Source record: 181959

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34b6e250.127326916@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
> Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
>
> >I don't know if it would get rid of "scum", but annual retesting would
> >go far to ensure that amateurs really remain competent in the areas
> >which are considered essential for holding an amateur license. That
> >is the stated government purpose of amateur exams after all.
>
> That might be the stated government purpose, but its too bad that the
> existing testing system doesn't accomplish it in the least. Instead, all
> it does is test a person's ability to commit to short-term memory the
> knowledge needed to correctly answer. I know several people on different
> VE teams in this state, and they all say the same thing -- people come in,
> take the test, walk out with a license, and forget everything they
> learned. It seems the only people who consistantly have trouble passing
> the examinations are those who actually try to LEARN the material, rather
> than just learning the correct answers.
>

You know this is true when you hear someone say, 'I just got my license,
can someone tell me what frequencies I can transmit on?'

1004. Re: MARS Bands for TS 830s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stanley <so@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <34B78FCA.18E@bigfoot.com>
Source record: 181960

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <884419710.378798089@dejanews.com>, andrewc@cyberdude.com writes:
>
> >I am currently searching for mod details for a TS 830s to enable receive
> and
> >transmit on MARS bands. Any help appreciated. Thanks in advance.
>
> Better be ready to post your callsign, name, address, social security number,
> mother's maiden name, etc., to PROVE that you can legally use this
> mod...otherwise, face the wrath of the RADIO COPS who lurk from within on this
> newsgroup!
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Try QRZ, they have a lot of mods and there is a good chance that they
have what you are looking for. Also your MARS group should be able to
assist you with the mod. Good luck and enjoy you MARS operations.
--
Sincerely, Stanley
Website: http://localsonly.wilmington.net/~stanley/
Nature's Vineyard: http://www.freeyellow.com/members/dixie/index.html

Unsolicited commercial e-mail is deleted by SMartMail.

1005. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b79509.173076442@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181961
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 09 Jan 1998 22:25:11 -0500, anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw> wrote:
>It will be interesting to see how HDTV develops. Congress is saying that
>this is a terrible give away of frequencies which are worth unimaginable
>amounts of money. The broadcaster sees this as meaning that he has to
>spend an enormous sum to buy all new equipment, build a new tower and so
>on. Actually if the system does develop, there will be the same number
>of channels when the present broadcasting system ends. The channels are
>only expensive when they are scarce. Recent auctions have only brought
>yawns from potential biders.

Yeah, there's not going to be a windfall for the government out of this thing
by selling vacated spectrum. Most of the vacated spectrum is going to be
low VHF anyway, and that's not very attractive to most of those hoping to
develop new wireless services. The government may receive a windfall
of another sort, however, in the form of sales taxes collected on all the
new sets that will have to be purchased, and income taxes on the profits
of those making and selling the sets. That's a tidy sum. And it'll have a
multiplier effect in the economy just as any other high tech boom does,
and that means even more tax proceeds for the government.

>Looking at Japan where a form of analog HDTV has been in operation for
>years, the number of sets sold has been so small as to be silly. No one
>knows if the same thing will happen in the United States. TV audiences
>are shrinking each year and I think that few people will be willing to
>pay $5000 to watch laxitive ads in vivid true to life HDTV. When I point
>this out to people who are still in the TV business, they say, "Everyone
>knows Moore's Law that says semiconductor prices will drop ...". Yes,
>but the display end of the set, the picture tube is where much of the
>money lies and I don't see any magic answer to putting a HDTV display in
>everyone's living room at amything like a reasonable price.

Japan didn't mandate a switch to HDTV. The US has mandated a switch
to DTV (note *not* HDTV). The cost of a DTV receiver should be no greater
than for a DSS receiver, less considering the economies of scale of replacing
300,000,000 sets over an 8 year period. HDTV sets will be more expensive
than plain DTV sets, but there won't be much HDTV programming to watch
in the early years of the changeover because there's no existing inventory
of HDTV material to fill the hours. HDTV receivers will be the province of
the videophile and the first adopter (and the rabid sports fan). And they are
free with their money.

It is worth noting, however, that Panasonic showed a large screen HDTV set
at CES which will go on sale this fall which *doesn't use a CRT*. They've finally
found a way to economically make large solid state displays (and Moore's law

does apply to them). People are going to want a large screen TV that they can hang on their wall, and getting HDTV capability in the bargain is just a bonus. I predict this will be a hot item next Christmas.

>In addition to the cost, there is very little information about the
>broadcaster's service area. Analog tv fails gracefully as the signal
>strength decreases. Digital tv will either produce a good picture or no
>picture with very little in between. If the broadcaster's service area
>is greatly reduced, his profit picture will also be reduced.

The FCC is aware of this, as are broadcasters. The OET developed the Longley-Rice model to predict DTV coverage contours and arranged allocations so that no station will have less than 97% coverage of its previous service area after it commences DTV transmission. The FCC has assured broadcasters that modifications to their DTV licenses will be permitted if field tests don't match the model during the 8 year phase in period. So there's no reason to believe that broadcasters will lose significant market penetration due to the switch to DTV.

And viewers will be assured of better pictures because of the all or nothing nature of DTV, IE no more snowy ghosty marginal pictures (which is what a *large* fraction of the current NTSC audience sees). The viewer will either have a perfect picture or no picture at all, and the overwhelming majority will have a perfect picture. Even a NTSC resolution picture is a glorious thing if you can get rid of the transmission artifacts of the analog system. And real HDTV is simply breathtaking. The jump is at least as big as the jump from B&W to color, and look how fast that happened.

>My guess and it is only a guess is that there will be so little interest
>in HDTV that congress will ask the FCC to drop the whole thing and we
>will still have NTSC for even more generations.

I don't think that has a snowball's chance of happening. The switch to DTV will happen. There's too much money involved for it not to happen. The phase in may stretch past 8 years, but it won't span across generations. The set makers see 300,000,000 sets to be sold. The broadcast equipment makers see $50,000,000 per station and production house to be made. The chipset makers see bundles to be made. The computer industry sees a huge bonanza as well because they'll get penetration of high res digitally driven displays in every home, and that opens the way for huge software sales. Etc.

They'll drive the changeover (if you want to know what Congress will do, just follow the money, and there are *huge* amounts of money involved here), The consumer will have to either buy the equipment or stop watching TV. I don't see the American public giving up watching TV. Realize that cable and other programming sources have to switch to DTV too. So there will be no option to continue using NTSC. You'll buy a DTV set or quit watching television. Tell your family that they can't watch TV anymore and see how well that goes over. Somehow I doubt they'll be content to return to books and magazines. You may have to put off buying that new car for another year, but you will buy a new TV.

Realize that the switchover to color from B&W was virtually complete in
8 years, and there was no mandate involved there, B&W sets still worked.
The price differential was about the same too (in constant dollars). I'm
convinced the changeover is going to happen pretty much on schedule.
I'll even predict you're going to see broadcasters petitioning to turn off
their power hungry NTSC analog transmitters early because DTV audience
penetration will warrant it.

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1006. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b7ad5a.179301785@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 17:43:54 -0500, anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw> wrote:
>But receiving DSS under good conditions is hardly the same for the
>millions of people who live in rural areas a long way from the
>transmitter. Are they going to get any usable signal at all? If they
>cannot, they won't buy!

Realize that there are only about 5,000,000 viewers, out of 260,000,000,
who are in that situation. Most broadcasters (and all cable operations)
have written off the very rural viewer already. He isn't counted in their
ADI, so he doesn't generate any revenue for them. If he wants a good
picture, he's stuck with satellite. But satellite TV will be DTV too, so
he'll still have to buy a new set. (And yeah, that means current DSS
receivers are going to be obsolete too.)

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1007. Re: MARS Bands for TS 830s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b7af4b.179799499@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181963

On 10 Jan 1998 14:48:14 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>In article <884419710.378798089@dejanews.com>, andrewc@cyberdude.com writes:
>
>>I am currently searching for mod details for a TS 830s to enable receive
>and
>>transmit on MARS bands. Any help appreciated. Thanks in advance.
>
>
>Better be ready to post your callsign, name, address, social security number,
>mother's maiden name, etc., to PROVE that you can legally use this
>mod...otherwise, face the wrath of the RADIO COPS who lurk from within on this
>newsgroup!

He doesn't need to post all that. His MARS call sign will be sufficient.

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Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1008. Wanted: Kenwood TS-790A Service Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Shell <n6ws@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <eOmhnAfH9GA.173@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 181964
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.swap

I would like to buy a Service Manual for the Kenwood TS-790A Transceiver.
If you have one that you would like to sell please contact me by email.

--
73, Bill
N6WS
n6ws@msn.com
-or-
shell@callamer.com

1009. Re: ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110174401.MAA12211@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181965

In article <6984de$s9e@news.toolcity.net>, "Keith Reynolds" <nskeith@tcis.net>
writes:

>I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could
>use
it for a local business repeater.

Oh, NO!! Not THAT! (Insert marching sound effects here) Here come the RADIO
COPS to tell you that you are violating FCC TYPE ACCEPTANCE! Repent for your
sins immediately, or be subject to the eternal scorn of the USENET RADIO COPS!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1010. FS - NOS tubes, books, misc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: rog42@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110175001.MAA14113@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181966

For Sale:
I have a large inventory of quality NOS tubes and a wide variety of radio related publications. Also available are radios, test equipment and misc. radio parts. My schematic service is the best price around at just $3 delivered for schematics and tuning info. Quality, tested used tubes are also available. If I don't have it, I'll try to help you find it! Hundreds of happy customers have used my service. Ask Rog42@aol.com for an e-mail copy of my latest offerings - list #1220.

1011. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <698ako$10l$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181967
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34B74674.66F3@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

> Okay, since you think all operators should are capable of decoding at
>least one of the other modes, I think all Amateur operators should be
>required to learn how to send, and receive, packet manually (by hand and
>ear).

Your argument might have some merit, if packet were on-off keying, and
not frequency-shift keying.

>Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the future.

Yeah, people keep claiming this, but in reality its nothing more than their
personal opinion.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1012. Re: GE Master 2 HELP PLEASE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B7B995.264@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181968
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap

Cole and Kathy wrote:
>
> Would anyone advise me on the pin out of a GE master 2 control cable
> plug<at the radio>. I don't have a cable and need to know where i need
> to put positive and negative connections to the front of the radio as i
> am using an internal repeater controller <nhrc-3 mii-90> and have
> deleted the control head.
>
> I realize the two large pins are + and -, but the smaller pins must have
> a pos and neg. pin in there somewhere.
>
> Thanks for any help!!
> please e-mail responses....
> 73
> Cole
> KC5SWI@flash.net

Where are you located at?? Get with me in email and I'll have the info
you need by then...yes there is a +DC input for the exciter and
the rcvr (the 7amp fused feed to the control head) that uses the
smaller pins...the large pins are for the PA only

Chris
WB5ITT

1013. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980110130207.3222C-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 181969

If you are speaking 147.52 with a PLUS offset of 600 kc, it WILL put you
out of band. That comes to 148.120 MHz.

147.52 with a MINUS offset of 600 will put you at 146.920, which may or
may not be a used frequency your area. As for simplex, then as long as
you are not causing intereference, I see no reason why it can not be used.
I used to use it quite a bit for simplex, and still do on some occasions.
I can't say for sure now as I have no charts to refer to at the moment,
but I seem to remember reading in a chart somewhere that it IS a simplex
frequency.

Just my 2 cents.

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998, Glen Quarnstrom wrote:

> Date: Sat, 10 Jan 1998 08:14:15 GMT
> From: Glen Quarnstrom <glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net>
> Reply-To: address@sig
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> Subject: Re: Hams on 2m 147.52
>
> sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) wrote:
>
> >>'SCO' needs to go back to the books. Both his suggestions would put him
> >>'out of band'.
> >>
> >
> >Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0
> >to 54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?
>
> Ever read the rules?
> --
> glenq@cyberhighway.net
> WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM
>
> http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/
>
>

1014. TS-830 on Mars

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34B7B7B7.48C6@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181970

andrewc@cyberdude.com writes:

>I am currently searching for mod details for a TS 830s to enable
>receive
> and
>>transmit on MARS bands. Any help appreciated. Thanks in advance.

Something funny here. I have had a ts-520 and still have my ts-530.
I think I can get them on MARS as is ... ???

Curtis .. N5HDQ ... http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1015. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B79AD1.633A96C3@flash.net>
Source record: 181971

CBRambo wrote:

> Okay...so I'll ask you again. As an amateur operator, with your own interests
> in mind, would you rather he do his freebanding with a TS-830 or with a
> modified CB which would then be attatched to a cheap, dirty linear to make it
> equivalent in output to the 830. Which one of these scenarios would cause the
> most harm to YOUR operations if you happened to live in his neighborhood?

You seem to be hung up on this lesser of two evils train of thought. So someone your neighborhood says, "I need your help, Im going to steal your car tonight and use it for the weekend, you'll get it back on Sunday so do you want me to break the windows to get in or just leave the door unlocked and the keys in the ignition?"If the guy chooses to run illegal power and splatter all over the band so be it. Im not going to help him do it 'better'. As far as my amateur operations, if the guy is splattering enough that I cant hear someone on 10m then Im quite sure he'll be tearing up TV's and VCR's for miles around. About the first time 'Bubba' misses a good football game Mr. Trashy Amp can answer to him.. Now if he was running legal power and had trouble I'd be more than happy to help him clean up his signal as to not interfere with others in the neighborhood. See the difference Rambo? Why not just run the CB the way it was intended, what's so wrong with playing by the rules?. Your so hung up on the 'attitude' of amateurs take a look at what your asking them to do.

I really like the part where you say "with your own interests in mind" I have everyones interests in mind, my neighbors TV reception, they guy who wants to learn about ham radio, the CB'er who runs 4 watts but cant hear anything because someone down the street is freebanding with 100 watts. I guess thats the real difference in our perspective on helping someone 'freeband'

>
>
> >Perhaps after having some good discussions on .homebrew he'll
> >realize how much fun it might be to build and operate an amateur station and
> >communicate with others who share the same interests, instead of continuing with
>
> >the CB mentality of adding a 'kicker' and cranking up the mic gain in hopes
> >of reaching more 'skipland'.
>
> Nice attitude, Tim. I'm sure lotsa CBers who are thinking of becoming better
> citizens and "upgrading" to HAMBO-land will really have the incentive to become
> one after reading this.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??" "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Hmmm didn't know becoming a 'better citizen' had anything to do with CB or Amateur radio but OK.There is no "upgrade" to hambo land, it's two completly different services. Rambo I'm not interested in trying to recruit anyone from CB, if they have an interest in learning about radio they will seek out and find someone to help. If they are not interested that's fine, not a damn thing wrong with enjoying CB radio as a hobby, we had some great round tables back in Jr. High School on the CB and none of us needed to run TS-830's to talk to each other. If you know of someone who wants to learn more about radio I'll be happy to tell them anything I can about amateur radio, just don't expect me to warm up to someone who wants to illegally run high power, with a veiled threat like "well if you don't help me then my signals are going to interfere with your amateur operations"

Do you think becoming an amateur would look more attractive if we were all helping people to break the law by modifying radios? It certainly would not have looked attractive to me. I guess if a drug dealer moved into your neighborhood and asked which do you prefer, that I sell drugs to your kids on the street or deliver them to your home where they can be safe, you'd take the latter eh? I mean after all he's GOING to do it anyway right? To quote you Rambo "Which one of these scenarios would cause the most harm to YOUR" children? Im definitely not comparing selling drugs to breaking the law by running an illegal radio, but I'm sure your smart enough to get the point.

Tim

1016. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: N4ST <jprice@crosslink.net>
Message-ID: <698emh$38e$1@kronos.crosslink.net>
Source record: 181972
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwight Stewart wrote in message <34B74674.66F3@sccoast.net>...
>> lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote....
>>
> Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the
>future. Because of that, such a test requirement would be much more

***SNIP
Betcha that 25 years from now, there will be no packet stations on the air
and very few people will even remember what it was. Betcha that CW will
still be going strong.

Jim - N4ST

1017. Re: NASTY!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak.NOSPAM@texas.net
Message-ID: <698evq$nh4$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181973
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Is this a warning or an invitation??

Just curious...

73's DE Frank K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <34B72AB5.B17@flash.net>, david084@flash.net says...
>
>HAVE YOU HEARD THE WEIRD PEOPLE ON 3.850 LSB and 3.853 LSB?
>
> THEY ARE VERY VERY NASTY! DONT LISTEN UNLESS YOU CAN HANDLE
>
> VERY NASTY HAM OPERATORS!
>
>
>
>
>
>
>
>--
>The Global Warming theory is based upon JUNK SCIENCE!
> Do not go to this site unless your a conservative!
>
> http://junkscience.com/index.shtml

1018. Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b7bb2c.370361@news.total.net>
Source record: 181974
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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Masa is back. I wasn't able to use my computer and connect the
internet due to some crisis in Montreal.

(who cares anyway ?)

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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

1019. Re: Question: Repeater control operator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B7C060.6FE@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181975

JHine41015 wrote:
>
> I'm considering building my own repeater split site system.
> Question: Can I house the other half of the split site at a NOT yet FCC
> licensed individual's house?
>
> I am the control operator, right? Or do we share that responsibility?
>
> -Jeremy
> KF4RTY

You as trustee (the callsign on the system) are also the main control
op....any other LICENSED amateur who can CONTROL the system legally
and designated by you to do so IS also a control op....

You don't need the rcvr site to be at a ham's location...
my 1st 2 mtr rptr was split site.....one site was
at a Novice's house (obviously he couldnt be a control op)..
the other end was at a General's house....with UHF link of 2-3 miles.

As long as you have CONTROL over the equipment (remotely is fine as
long as it meets the rules of such!) and limit access of the gear
(put it in a locked cabinet), you're perfectly legal...

73
Chris
WB5ITT

1020. Re: CrAcKeD's comment...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b7bf3d.1411787@news.total.net>
Source record: 181976

On 9 Jan 98 03:05:35 GMT, jherman@sierra.NET (J. Herman) wrote:

>Crack-user wrote: There are areas of the HF (amateur) bands allocated
>for voice-only..."
>
>Really? Could you please list those frequencies for us? The rules
>state that CW is allowed everywhere on every band. (And if the
>digital machines continue their downward progression to the lower
>band edges, expect to start hearing more and more CW in the traditional
>voice segments.)
>
>Jeff KH2PZ/7

how about if you interfere 2m repeaters ??

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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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1021. Re: ICOM IC-281H Mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ka4mge@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110185001.NAA22621@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181977

searching for info on how to crossband repeat an Icom 2710H if anyone can help!!! Thanks
Rick Barnes
KA4MGE

1022. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
Message-ID: <34B7C2FA.BE41A0C@direct.ca>
Source record: 181978
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Masa is back. I wasn't able to use my computer and connect the
> internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
>
> (who cares anyway ?)

It's actually highly relevant - have you been able to observe
any of the emergency communications? How have hames been involved?

...laura

1023. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B7A139.5B1FFD08@flash.net>
Source record: 181979

Dwight Stewart wrote:

> > Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote....
> >
> > Well said, if everybodys listening THE BAND IS DEAD.
>
> REPLY...
>
> Alright Tim, and Doug, point well taken. I have not exactly spent a
> lot of time on this frequency talking. I have it programmed in for
> scan, but I guess I should use it to talk more (which might help to
> cause others to use, and listen to, the frequency).
>
> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

Dwight I put an old GE Porta-Mobile on 52.525, I get a call every once and a while on it here in Detroit, when I'm mobile with it I give a call every 8 to 10 miles or so, it's not anywhere near as active as 146.52. Someone explained it well when they spoke of two cars traveling in opposite directions at 60 mph you have a QSO time of maybe 5 minutes. I've found 52 gets real busy when traffic comes to a standstill on a major freeway, once coming back from the U.P or Upper Peninsula part of Michigan we had about 15 guys in a round table while we waited for an accident to clear. They're out there, sometimes you just have to give a call.

Tim

1024. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B7C33B.D90@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181980

SCO wrote:
> I was thinking SSB, thanks for correcting me.
> Maybe we could use 145.0 or 147.0 in the 2m band and 53.0 in the 6m
> band. We (hams) are not really setup to work car to car on a highway
> traffic jam situation.

Your call must be vanity or else you never read Part 97....

EVEN SSB on a band edge is illegal...you would never operate SSB
exactly on 4.0 Mhz (top end of 75).....ALL of your bandwidth MUST
be inside the band....SSB is 3 Khz wide....besides there is no
SSB at the top of 6 that I know of.....and calling channels for
FM have been around for DECADES!!! You obviously have not been
on the VHF UHF bands for long (Im beginning to wonder if your
call is bogus......or new vanity at least!)...Get a copy of the
FCC RULE BOOK by ARRL....though it is not 100% correct in bandplans,
its the best out there now....and explains it in easy to read English.

Chris
WB5ITT
(since 1973)

1025. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B7C1CF.6CDE@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181981

Dwight Stewart wrote:
> > 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
> > something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
>
> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
> frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
> your point about range.

52.525 has been around as long or longer than 146.52 as a NSF (national simplex freq).....Yes, ALL FM bands have their "universal" calling channel...
> However, the 2 meter frequency will very likely be more active, simply
> because there are more 2 meter radios out there at the moment.

Very true!!!

> By the way, for those who don't know, the nation-wide simplex calling
> frequencies, for the other bands, are... 223.50 for 1.25 meters, 446.0
> for 70cm, 906.5 for 33cm, and 1294.5 for 2cm.

The 906.5 and 1294 freq are in questions....not much is settled above 440 Mhz as for national bandplans..in some area, 903 or some 902 freq is used for FM calling..its somewhat regional above 900 Mhz (regardless of what the ARRL says in the rptr directory)

Chris
WB5ITT

1026. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B7C263.51D7@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181982

Steve Arrington wrote:
>
> For fm 6 meters its 52.525
> For am 6 meters its 50.400
> for ssb 6 meters its 50.200

For 6 SSB, it CAN be 50.110, 50.125 (+/- 5) or 50.2! 50.2 is a
new proposed freq that has not taken hold of much!

1027. Mods for ICOM 2GXAT??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <698e9g$hhu@snews2.zippo.com>
Source record: 181983

Anyone have the mods or can tell me where to get them to take my 2GXAT out
of band TX??
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

1028. ICOM IC-730 Manual/Schematic/Diagram needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: RAL <rlenicek@metronet.de>
Message-ID: <6967cj$6l2$3@hermes.is.co.za>
Source record: 181993

I'm looking for manuals, diagram for the ICOM IC-730, will pay by Mastercard
or US funds.
If not available, can you refer me to someone who can help???
****
Robert
ZS6BZW
Pretoria
South Africa
rlenicek@metronet.de
****

1029. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <696fbblte1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181994

>>>I think this is what you are looking for Stan.....
>
>
>>Where's that big 'ol CB
>>>RAMBO??
>>I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!
>
>> -Drew in Sunny Central Florida-
>
>>And your source for this information is...or perhaps more importantly, your
>>proof of this is...
>
>Oh No ! Spew reincarnated as CB Dumbo.........

It's not hard to put two and two together.

Let's look at some similarities between the two:

1) Drew trashes ham radio as does cbrambo.
2) Drew recently moved to Kansas from central Florida. (He made a post about this last summer and then went offline for a month to move and settle in) Posts on ks.misc indicate cbrambo has moved to Kansas recently from central Florida.
3) Both get hung up on spelling and grammatical mistakes when they can't come up with an argument.
4) Both post from AOL, which makes it easy for creating multiple screen names/aliases under a single account.
5) Both admit to be licensed hams that have used the exact phrase "passed the hazing ritual" in regards to morse code testing.
6) Both are obsessed with daily and nightly happenings on 20 and 75 meters.
7) Both advocate freebanding and operating illegally within bandspace reserved for licensed amateurs.

Of course, the above is just a coincidence and doesn't prove a thing. Right?

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1030. Over 130 YL Links.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lee <rfi@vol.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1d63$1168f1a0$56c10c26@default>
Source record: 181995

are at the Stones River ARC Website. Come see us. We are one of the most comprehensive ham resources on the web. We have a new contest page, links to callsign databases, online exams, a
packet gateway and more.

http://www.vol.com/~rfi/stones.html

73,
Lee (NY4T)
Webmaster: Stones River ARC, Short Mountain Repeater Club

See my personal site at:

http://www.vol.com/rfi

1031. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110010700.UAA04021@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181996

>>I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
>>to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
>>of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.

>One major difference is that one supports an ancient technology, and
>the other supports a change to a newer and supposedly better
>technology.

replied KB7CFD.

So, then, your God is new technology? And we should be willing to sacrifice to your God?

K&#65533;MB

1032. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: n8blk@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110011101.UAA04570@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181997

In article <34b9678a.2934474@news.mindspring.com>, sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) writes:

>Why? I thought our 2m band is 144.0 to 148.0 and the 6m band is 50.0 to >54.0. Are you saying that we can not operate on 54.0 or 148.0 ?

I assume this is a facetious question, if not I refer you to part 97, and the requirement that all of any amateur signal fit within an amateur band. Any signal exactly on 54.000 MHz or 148.000 MHz would have at least half of the signal outside any amateur band. You do the math!

-art clemons-

1033. Re: Ham License Renewal

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: n8blk@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110011100.UAA03498@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181998

In article <34b59d07.14780891@news.olywa.net>, whlarson@olywa.net (Bill Larson) writes:

>My 10 year ham license expires in 3-98. How do I renew? Tnx from
KF7IL,
>Bill.

There are several different ways. First, you can go on line after the 22nd of January to the FCC site, move to the license renewal section and fill in the form 900. Second, you can call 1 888 CALL FCC, and request that a 610 be sent to your address, fill out the 610, return it to the address at the top of the form 610, after signing it, and putting a stamp on it, or you can contact one of the VEC's set up and request a form 610 be mailed to you. You can also download the pdf file on the FCC web site, print out the first two pages, fill out the necessary information, and mail that back in. The fcc web page is at www.fcc.gov

Good luck!
-art clemons-

1034. FS/SWAP: Tube Powered Stereo Portable Reel to Reel $100

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <696j3v$j5j$8@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 181999

Webcor Regent Coronet Stereo Tube Model #2380-1 reel to reel.
Made in Chicago. Excellent running top-end three speed tube unit
from late 1950's or early 60's with extra features. Has separate
optional Webcor compact mini-suitcase speakers that fold into
little suitcase. Handles 7 inch reels. Has top-end options for
its time. Weighs about 38 lbs by itself. No mikes, missing
small piece of cover plate on bottom about 2"x 3" for access
(Just screw in any plate to cover if you wish), have SAMS
photofacts manual for unit. $100 plus UPS Shipping. Will pack
it free.

Have photos if you wish me to email them to you. Must see.

Will consider trades all or in part for Civilian or Military
tube tester as well -- or guitar or bass amp -- or 486 66Mhz
computer cpu with at least 8 MB ram if you've updated your
CPU to Pentium.

Foreign buyer welcome.

1035. FS/SWAP: Simpson 360 Digital Volt Ohmeter $25 B/O

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <696j1h$j5j$7@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 182000

SIMPSON 360 DIGITAL VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER. Bought it and found I could not test it, because it uses a three prong unique sized Simpson extension cord that appears to be no longer available from Simpson (I tried to buy it). It has a battery compartment for battery powered field use, but one of the metal contacts need replacing so I could not test it that way. The point is I don't wish to put any money into it if I can't buy a power cord for it. I wanted it for bench use. I would guess that it does not run, but maybe it does? Probably good for someone who wants a back up parts unit for their Simpson 360. It's a shame, because the thing is a super unit in nice physical condition. Do not have leads or manual. $25 or best offer.

Plus UPS Shipping costs which are not much. I'll pack it free and bring it directly to UPS to get you the lowest shipping rate.

-OR- Will take old running complete decent VTVM in trade.

1036. Re: Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110020301.VAA11204@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182001

>
>Tim wrote:
>
>> Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer
>> programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain
>> the use of more freq. spectrum.
>> Thanx for your help,
>> Tim
>
>
Another pretty good one, my favorite, is SUPERMORSE 4.16. It can be downloaded at many ham websites, including my own,

http://members.aol.com/RCrusoe/ab5vh.index.html

but do not open the file at the site... it is a self-expanding zip file with the .exe extension. Download it, scan it for viruses, make a directory, move the file to the directory, then run it and it will explode into the full working program. There is an icon and a PIF file in case you want to run it from Windows.

I sometimes use it to key my rig right from the keyboard. It can be used to copy, though the doc doesn't give many details about RX interfacing.

There are a lot of good learn modes and practice modes. It is a viable program for VEs to use for code exams.

"Hard work?" Not really, Tim. Most any good program will have you doing 5 WPM in a week or so. Start out on the right track... ton't "learn" the code from a piece of paper with dots and dashes on it. You will start counting dits and dahs instead of just getting used to the sound of each character. That's what you want to be able to do... hear the SOUND of a character and automatically write or think that character.

Beleive it or not, this is easier to do if you hear the characters at 15 to 20 WPM, with spaces in between the characters and words lengthened so the average speed is at or just above the level you need to be able to copy. This is often called the Farnsworth method. Most VEs accredited by the ARRL VEC use farnsworth code... the characters for 5 and 13 WPM are sent at 18 WPM with long spaces and 20WPM is just sent 20WPM. If your VE team uses a tape or program that sends your code exam by this format, you need to practice copying it the way you will hear it.

A big selling point for Farnsworth style code practice is that traditionally, there is a "hump" at around 10 WPM, where counting dots and dashes no longer works because the mind can't easily process the information fast enough. The

hump is usually conquered slowly and painfully as the upgrader learns to recognize the sound of the characters without thinking dits and dahs. This is difficult to do as slow as 10 WPM, and so the hump. Farnsworth timing has you doing it "right" right from the start.

Good luck, Tim, and don't look at this as a chore... look at it as an opportunity.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

1037. Re: Pre-radio (i.e. telegraph) CW?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110021500.VAA14154@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182002

If you need references, Morse's original work from 1848 is reprinted:
ftp://piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu/pub/Glowbugs/Historic/ look for the
vail*.* documents. See also, Jones, Alexander, 1852, ``Historical
Sketch of the Electric Telegraph'', New York, George P. Putnam, 194pp,
for details of the early keys and methods of writing telegraphically.
For information on the double circuit keys, I can get that, but I don't
have that reference handy. For details of the spark and arc CW generators,
see Elmer Bucher's 1917 Practical Wireless Telegraphy.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob

More good info! Thanks Bob. I'll check it out.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)

1038. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110023500.VAA16111@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182003

In article <695nig$406$1@news1.teleport.com>, prografx@teleport.com (Steve Kennedy) writes:

> Asking how to modify high-powered amateur equipment for 27Mhz use on THIS
>newsgroup is like stopping by the "fed.gov.dea.bust" newsgroup and asking
>where you can buy some crack cocaine.

You have to consider that illegal use
>of amateur equipment is a
runaway epidemic worldwide in all bands. This
>problem is starting to
overflow into amateur bands because people with few
>brains and no clue
will have access to that radio that you want to modify.

Why not just quit with the RADIO COP lecture and tell the guy how to modify his radio to do what he wants it to do? If he wants to freeband, he will freeband...one way or another. Would you rather he do it on a quality piece of equipment like a TS830 or via a "hack job" on a Golden Screwdriver CB that will then splatter and cause harmonics all across the spectrum?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1039. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980110030001.WAA21017@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 182004

In article <696fbblte1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>Of course, the above is just a coincidence and doesn't prove a thing. Right?

It proves you have WAY too much time on your hands, Tommy.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1040. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b6e250.127326916@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182005

On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:59:28 GMT, glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:
>T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:
>
>>Having to retest would take away any suspsion of wrong doing.....What is
>>there to loose? If you can't pass the test a second time you probably
>>should not have the ticket.
>>
>>dt
>
>I agree. Let's re-test EVERYBODY. Yearly. That'll get rid of the
>scum, yep.

I don't know if it would get rid of "scum", but annual retesting would go far to ensure that amateurs really remain competent in the areas which are considered essential for holding an amateur license. That is the stated government purpose of amateur exams after all.

If a large number of amateurs are unable to pass a retest, that tells us that either we have a lot of incompetent amateurs, and retests are rightfullly getting them off the air, or that the tests are irrelevant to good amateur operation and need to be changed to reflect what is really necessary to be a good operator. Either way, retesting would serve to maintain the relevance of the testing system to amateur licensing.

I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire amateur career.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1041. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b6e97e.129165015@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 182006

On Fri, 09 Jan 1998 16:55:59 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>Leslie, I missed the original post but I thought I'd dump in my two cents
>worth. If anyone thinks I'm wrong, dump one in.
>
>50.0 Mhz would be fine as a calling frequency for CW, since CW has zero
>bandwidth and your signal would not go below 50 Mhz.

Whoa nellie! Go back to modulation 101. A OOK Morse signal certainly
does have sidebands. It is a form of DSB AM modulation. Now a *CW*
signal, IE a continous unmodulated carrier, theoretically would have
no sidebands, but in practice even that will have phase noise sidebands.
So operation exactly on the band edge is illegal even if you don't modulate
the carrier at all.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1042. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <696r6m$g52$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182007

On 1998/01/07 M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

> Now Now little boy it's not nice to tell tall tales. Why don't you stop
> using mommy's computer and go back to watching cartoons.
>
> You don't even have the guts to use a real name and stand behind what you
> say. Nobody is going to believe you CB.
> Stick with CB. You don't really have what it takes to be a ham.

This is true, considering his racist posts on ks.misc.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1043. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <696rgo$g52$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 182008

On 1998/01/04 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote

>>You are the very one who sticks his head into the outhouse for hours at a
>>time just
>to be able to go tell any friends (if you have any) how bad it
>>smells. You don't do
>a thing to clean it up or make it smell better.
>
>
>Yeah, that's right...blame the messenger, instead of the message. That's
>fine
>Let these guys carry on and destroy your hobby. Whatever.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
>"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

What the messenger is saying is that the emperor has no clothes, but he
doesn't realize that he's in a nudist colony.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1044. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8AK@OLA.ola.heia
Message-ID: <34b69e73.3280889@news.online.no>
Source record: 182009
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Mon, 05 Jan 1998 23:06:53 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
wrote:

>J M Noeding wrote:
>>
>> On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
>> wrote:
>>
>> >Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
>> >CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the other
>> >way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW op. but
>> >why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment appears
>> >here and there?
>> >I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me alone
>> >and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
>> ....provided KEY-clicks don't spread all over the phone band....
>> still some opr should show more interest for making a clean cw signal
>> with no interference to other opr
>>
>> ----
>
>You gotta be joking. SSB big gunner's splatter is 1000% worse than key
>clicks. You can technically prove it. Are you guys using A0 mode over
>there? Or what kind of RX are you using? Ancient 0-V-2?
>I always self monitor my signal thru my back up RX.
>Tony, VE6CGX
Perhaps you have limited experience?

Jan-Martin Noeding -email: la8ak@online.no
N-4623 Vaagsbygd, Norway, Europe

Tel.+47-380-87178

1045. Re: Best CW Program?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Oros <ac3l@bellatlantic.net>
Message-ID: <6971f9$het@world6.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 182010

Try my IMCT program...

It's FREEWARE at

http://www.qth.com/antenna

AC3L
Mark Keefer wrote in message <1063185113-980109120600@privates.org>...
>RE: Best CW Program?
>BY: TIM <N7UNH@COMPUZONE.NET> to ALL on Thu Jan 08 1998 01:46 am
>
> > From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
> > Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> > Path: inet-serv.com!news1.mr.net!mr.net!news2.chicago.iagnet.net!iagnet.net!
> > newsfeed.internetmci.com!204.71.0.51!spamkiller.internetmci.com!pull-
> > feed.internetmci.com!208.141.58.5!208.141.58.194
> >
> > Hello, I need some direction in regards to CW *teaching* computer
> > programs. Unlike several others, I want to do the hard work to obtain
> > the use of more freq. spectrum.
> > Thanx for your help,
> > Tim

1046. WTB: HALLI SR-2000 MANUAL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Joe Hargis <joehargis@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6970mp$7j8@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 182011

Need Halli SR-2000 manual desperately, WS0E, at Joe.7hc@juno.com

1047. Re: *** Microsoft Bought Hotmail ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: mulveyr@frontiernet.net
Message-ID: <slrn6be5d5.6u6.mulveyr@ll.aa2ys.ampr.org>
Source record: 182012

On 9 Jan 1998 08:04:42 -0500, Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:
>Its also reported that Gates basically stole
>CPM to create the first release of PC-DOS, but I don't know how accurate
>that is (based on Microsoft's behaviour over the years, I don't doubt the
>rumor at all.)
>

Not quite right. When IBM came to Microsoft, and asked Gates to provide an OS for their upcoming PC, Gates went to Seattle Computer, and bought right to their "QDOS" product, (Quick-and-DirtyOS), which eventually became MS-DOS.

A lot of people don't remember that MS-DOS was just one of several OS's that were sold with the PC in the early years. The first IBM-PC that I used came with CPM/86, for example. Then there was the ill-fated UCSD system...

- Rich

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Rich Mulvey
mulveyr@frontiernet.net Rochester, NY USA
http://www.frontiernet.net/~mulveyr
Amateur Radio: aa2ys@amsat.org, aa2ys@wb2wxq.#wny.ny.usa

1048. Re: Cecil's Dr. Williamson

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34B733EF.10BA@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 182013

J. Herman wrote:
> If that's not good enough for him, then maybe he's not as altruistic
> as we thought.

Hi Jeff, Happy New Year. I think it's relatively accurate to say that
Dr. Williamson is approximately as altruistic as you are. :-)
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1049. ICOM IC-T22A MODS WANTED!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Anthony Lawson KB9RSU <kb9rsu@soltec.net>
Message-ID: <69790j$487$1@aura.soltec.net>
Source record: 182014

Ok folks! I've searched the web, every site with every search engine and used ALL hints provided thus far for finding mods for the ICOM IC-T22A 2M handheld, but NOTHING!!! If you know of a mod for this HT, PLEASE let me know!!!

Anthony Lawson KB9RSU
kb9rsu@soltec.net

1050. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b72617.3762633@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 182015

On 9 Jan 1998 23:24:49 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>From: andrewc@cyberdude.com
>
>>To all the people who responded with smart remarks-you just sit in your
>>own little worlds and ponder the many ways to shit people up the wall.
>
>>> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s.
>
> Ok , now, just why would anyone want to help in a case like this? Are you the
>same helpful folks who sell and distribute the books on do-it-yourself
>assination, or fertilizer bomb building?
>
>Just because something can be done doesn't mean it should be done.
>
>K&#65533;MB
Good solution; modify the radio for CB, er ah I mean 27 MHz use, and
then build a fertilizer bomb; place on radio and detonate prior to
transmission!

couldn't resit 8=}
Howard

1051. NASTY!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: David- <david084@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B72AB5.B17@flash.net>
Source record: 182016
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

HAVE YOU HEARD THE WEIRD PEOPLE ON 3.850 LSB and 3.853 LSB?

THEY ARE VERY VERY NASTY! DONT LISTEN UNLESS YOU CAN HANDLE

VERY NASTY HAM OPERATORS!

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The Global Warming theory is based upon JUNK SCIENCE!
Do not go to this site unless your a conservative!

http://junkscience.com/index.shtml

1052. MARS Bands for TS 830s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: andrewc@cyberdude.com
Message-ID: <884419710.378798089@dejanews.com>
Source record: 182017

I am currently searching for mod details for a TS 830s to enable receive and transmit on MARS bands. Any help appreciated. Thanks in advance.

AX2WAJ.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1053. PYE 5000 Handheld

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Malcolm Huddart <huddart@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980110093143818O1@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 182018

I am looking for a circuit diagram or any other relevant information
Pye Telecomms 5001 Handheld.

These transceivers are supposed to cover 120-160 MHz and are AM.

I which to use if on the Aeronautical bands at approx. 130MHz (Gliding &
Ballooning Frequencies).

I obtained this one from Greenweld in Southampton.

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Malcolm Huddart \ / _ ___
G4OQR __|__ --o-- _( ) __
Vectis Gliding Club -==========O==========- / \ (___) -
Isle of Wight, UK K6e

1054. This Week in Amateur Radio #250 (for air through 1/16/98)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephan M. Anderman" <sanderman@delphi.com>
Message-ID: <RfXkja8.sanderman@delphi.com>
Source record: 182019

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Here is a summary of news items covered on edition #250 of
"This Week in Amateur Radio", North America's satellite-delivered
audio bulletin service, for the week ending 16-Jan:
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1. Gate 4 Day One Vanity Call Signs Gush Forth (I Got Mine!)
2. Some Things to Remember to Change -- Tips to Help Cope
3. Dick Rutan, KB6LQS, Survives "Global Hilton" Balloon Failure
4. Sputnik 40/PS2/RS-17 Officially Declared Dead
5. FCC Reallocates Upper UHF TV Channels to Public Safety
6. Special Event Station Calendar
7. "Gateway 160 Meter Net Report" with Vern Jackson, WA0RCR
8. Weekly Propagation Forecast
9. Mir to Remain in Use Until 1999, New All-ham Crew Due Soon
10. "The RAIN Dial-up" from Chicago
11. US Robotics Offers Service to Test Modems and Phone Lines
12. AO-16 "S" Band Turned Off After Test, Pulls Voltage Too Low
13. Photos and Commentary from KE6JAB Up on UO-22 and Web Site
14. "Tower Climbing Safety" with Greg Stoddard, KF9MP
15. IBM Achieves New Hard Drive Storage Record in San Jose Tests
16. Intel to Offer Car Computers, Services in 2000 Model Year
17. Company to Unveil I-Phone Service Rivaling Landline Quality
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communications satellite, transponder 13B upper, located at 74
degrees west longitude in equatorial geosynchronous orbit. The
transponder center frequency is 12.019 GHz; tune up in frequency
to 12.031 GHz. Program audio is on the 6.2 MHz analog
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satellite uplink.
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On the WorldWide Web, program audio can now be found in several formats (including streaming audio) at http://www.roava.net/twiar through the courtesy of the Blue Ridge Video and Digital Society of Roanoke, VA, and at http://user.icx.net/~ke4hsm/twiar.html with thanks to Greg Williams, KE4HSM, of Knoxville, TN. The service is carried on VHF/UHF repeaters throughout North America and by WA0RCR on 160 meters at 1860 kHz.
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Production and transmission expenses are underwritten by donations from repeater operators, amateur radio clubs, and individuals. Further information is available from George Bowen, W2XBS, at 518.283.3665 (packet @ WA2UMX.FN32AW.NY.USA.NA or email kxkvi@delphi.com) or Stephan Anderman, K2SMA, at 518.664.6809 (packet @ N2TY.FN32DW.NY.USA.NA or email sanderman@delphi.com).

1055. Re: HDTV was Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw>
Message-ID: <34B7F9AA.303A@eagle.seed.net.tw>
Source record: 182020
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

SCO wrote:
>
> anborg <anborg@eagle.seed.net.tw> wrote:
>
> >It will be interesting to see how HDTV develops.
>
> >
> >My guess and it is only a guess is that there will be so little interest
> >in HDTV that congress will ask the FCC to drop the whole thing and we
> >will still have NTSC for even more generations.
> >
>
> I got rid of my cable system and switched to DSS. Talk about a
> difference. Digital is the way to go ... much better picture and
> sound.i would never go back to cable. I have a second dish and can
> even take it with me to field day or camping if I desire.
>
> W4SCO

But receiving DSS under good conditions is hardly the same for the millions of people who live in rural areas a long way from the transmitter. Are they going to get any usable signal at all? If they cannot, they won't buy! That is quite simple. Would you pay a lot more money for a really sharp picture? That is where most of the cost lies.

Some years ago I was in charge of a design group that was designing Ku band satellite receivers. At that time the only satellite that you could receive here was a Japanese satellite. The Japanese were using a digital audio system. Since the company had the authority to sell receivers locally, I put one engineer to work on a receiver that would decode the digital audio and thus be saleable here. When he got done, it was really amazing. It sounded like the cute lady news reader was whispering the news right into your ear. It was hard to believe TV sound that sounded so good. Much the same effect as the visual aspects of HDTV. However, would I pay a premium for the same old news? Not much.

By the way, how does your DSS system work during a heavy rain storm? Unless you have a very strong signal, the path attenuation really goes up during a thunderstorm. We had to shut down final inspection because we couldn't receive the satellite. The present system required some minor retooling in the late 1940's because things turned up that had not been seen even though there had been broadcasting from about 1936 to the end of 1941. Everyone remembers the RCA 630TS as the prototype of commercial receivers for decades. The set had no AGC. The contrast

control was an RF gain control because common knowledge at the time said that VHF signals were not subject to signal fluctations. Improving AGC systems to minimize airplane flutter was still a problem in the 1960's.

Best regards,

Art Borg

1056. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B7545A.998F7C37@ibm.net>
Source record: 182021

Gary Coffman wrote:
>
> I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
> really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
> assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
> amateur career.
>

Meaning no offense, but you guys have got to be crazy. We have too few amateurs now. Retesting can only decrease the number, as some people will be too busy to retest, or will view it as a hassle that they will not put up with over and over again. For that matter, what is wrong with the hams we have now? Why do we need to mess with them by imposing the burden of retesting? What a pointless hassle that would be!

For example, many, perhaps most hams are disinterested in CW. They bone up, pass the test once, and promptly forget CW. What is wrong with that? Who cares? Most hams retain the knowledge that they need, and do a data dump on the rest. So what?

The hams we have now are just fine. We just need more of them.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

1057. SOFTWARE FOR STORNOPHONE 6000 REQUIRED.!! Pleasee HELP ME.!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ctulhu
Message-ID: <697h6f$3pr@sdrn.zippo.com>
Source record: 182022

Please if u have CQM 6000 software required to programm STORNOPHONE 6000 radio,
CONTACT me at: ctulhu666@super.zippo.com THANX

1058. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <697e58$pku@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182023

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1059. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <697geh$pqk@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182024

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1060. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <6978te$pae@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182025

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1061. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <697gfh$pqm@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182026

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1062. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <6975mt$p2o@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182027

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1063. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <697gn8$prg@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182028

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1064. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <69765h$p3s@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182029

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1065. ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: Keith Reynolds <nskeith@tcis.net>
Message-ID: <697gut$ptb@news.toolcity.net>
Source record: 182030

I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please reply to keith@toolcity.net or remove the ns in my email address to reply to this message.

Thanks,
Keith - n3uux

1066. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: pausch@electra.saaf.se
Message-ID: <697oq7$gsh@electra.saaf.se>
Source record: 182031
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34B2A1F8.1581@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

>> jrerlewe@mtu.edu (Joseph) wrote...
>>
>> Many radios can do this. Easily. I cut a green wire on my Yaesu
>> FT-530, and it receives cellphones.
>
> Not with GSM (the system used in Portugal).

GSM isn't used just in Portugal, bot all over Europe, as well as in
small parts of North America (Washington D.C. has a GSM cellular phone
network for instance), and several countries on the Far East.

GSM is a digital cellular phone system which in addition encrypts the
voice data to ensure privacy. Sure, you could receive those signals
on any receiver operating at the proper frequency (around 900 MHz --
soon a new GSM band around 1800 MHz will be used too), but it would
sound mostly like noise, and you would be unable to make anything
out of it.

Cellular phone systems which can be tapped by radio receivers are
older systems, which uses e.g. normal FM for voice transmission.
In Scandinavia, for instance, the older NMT cellular phone system
can easily be tapped, and so can various kinds of DECT (= "wireless
phones") phone equipment - all that's needed is a radio capable of
receiving the right frequency bands.

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Paul Schlyter, Swedish Amateur Astronomer's Society (SAAF)
Grev Turegatan 40, S-114 38 Stockholm, SWEDEN
e-mail: pausch@saaf.se paul.schlyter@ausys.se paul@inorbit.com
WWW: http://spitfire.ausys.se/psr -- updated daily!

1067. Re: INFO: T-195

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34b76f02.7970031@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 182032
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 08:24:38 -0500, Doran Platt <jeepp@erols.com>
wrote:

>I see that Fair Radio still has T-195's. Does anyone out there use
>one? I'd appreciate a report. I have a couple of R-392's and am
>considering getting on AM with that combination, probably using an
>external B+ supply vice the high current dynamotor. Thanks much.
>K3HVG.

I have heard a few guys using these on the air on 7290, 3880 and 3885
kHz at night. They do sound loud, BUT you get that narrow "military
audio" unless you modify the MOD section for more lows and highs.

Take a listen to the AM frequencies, you will eventually hear one I am
sure!

For more details about military radios being used on the ham bands,
see:

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/ham/arc5conv.txt
http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/ham/ccfradio.htm

and

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamlynx/hamboata.htm

TTYL - Bry, AF4K / G3XLQ

1068. Re: hamfest anybody?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-10 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34b76eac.7884239@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 182033
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

On Fri, 02 Jan 1998 10:07:01 GMT, matt stock <mstock@ptd.net> wrote:

>winter sucks because there are no hamfests intill spring. i put a posting
>out a couple of days ago about my idea of having a hamfest iin my area(mt
>bethel pa...right on the new jersey border)

There is a pretty complete list of hamfests (including a few WINTRER
Ones!) at the ARRL web site.

I have added several more to that list and posted all of them at:

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamlynx/hamfests.htm

I hope that helps!

Bry, AF4K

1069. Re: 5wpm is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111234100.SAA08878@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181735

In article <69bdch$p84$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>Find someone who is totally unfamiliar with amateur radio, and take them to a
>club meeting. They'll be ready to leave in 10 minutes if they don't fall
>asleep first.

Especially when the "code preachers" start trying to "convert" them.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1070. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B94DEE.6C10@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181736
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
> http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
> for emergency purposes.
> Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
> on 2m repeaters...

That'll last just as long as the ice coated antennas stay up- at both
repeater and individual stations.

> I see no CWer(pro-coder) who is active to help others out on 2m freqs.
> too bad. well, they have no VHF rigs anyway. they can't do anything
> about it.

I guess you asked everyone you saw carrying a handie-talkie the class
of his license and whether or not he knows or supports Morse code. Of
course, you assumed that everyone with a 2 meter handietalkie is a
no-coder. What a dolt!

> yeah, you are right.
> CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
> about it again.
>

You might try to think about it at least once before you show the
world your total ignorance.

Dick W0EX
>

1071. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69bm0j$807@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181737
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> You might try to think about it at least once before you show the
> world your total ignorance.
>
> Dick W0EX

Too late, Dick. He's already shown his ignorance many times over.

Glenn AA5PK

1072. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B94AD0.187F@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181738
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy wrote:.

> she changes the channels, but then she appears in different repeater
> freq (2m repeaters are packed in and around montreal area).
> what can I do ?? ;-)
>
>

Gosh, Cutie Pie, can't you figure anything out?

1. Have her remain on a single channel

2. Delete that repeater from your scanner

3. Be happy there *is* a workable solution that is so easy.
If you talk nice you may get to select which repeater you want
to delete.

Dick W0EX

1073. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b8a024.963089@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi

I wanted to read at least one, other, return message before I offered my advice.

As you are aware of, there are many new services, coming to the radio specturm, which are of such low power that they can run unlicenced. Cb walkie-talkies below 100 mw are one of them, cordless phones are another.

To some extend even though the problem is generated by the cordless phone, I am assuming you are using well designed equipment, the solution is altimately in your court.

If you want ot approach your neighbour, he/she probably won't understand what your are taliking about. To them their cordless phone is simply a phone without the cord. Most of the cordless phone users don't understand rf interference.

If you should decide to visit them, might I suggest you simply look at the phone to see if they have done anything out of the usual to it. Most cordless phone users have not attached amplifiers so you can, in all likelyhood, illiminate that thought.

You could consider putting in some kind of bandpass filter on your radio.

If the problem is bothersome enough, for you, consider the following as a possibility. Find a cordless phone which does not interfere with your radios. Then before you buy it investigate your problem with the neighbour. Then ask if they would be willing to swap another one with their's. You then buy the other one and take the interfering one and keep it for your own use.

The problem here is 'is the problem worth the possibility of creating a neighbour feud'. I honestly don't it is worth it.' I would rather buy my neighbour a cordless phone that doesn't cause interference, with me, that the alternative.

p.s. consider buying her one of the 900 mhz units.

Larry ve3fxq

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 23:37:48 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>
>
>Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>
>
>Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>using it ?
>
>
>It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
>for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
>
>
>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
>Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1074. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B93EAE.A39B1847@flash.net>
Source record: 181740
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>
> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
> using it ?

Absolutely! I'd march my right over there and demand she stop using her phone immediatly. Tell her you will be forced to call the RCMP's if you hear her voice again interrupting your most important scanning activities. Let her know your a radio amateur and that your just too stupid to figure out a solution to the problem so she'll have to stop using the phone. After her boyfriend knocks your stupid ass through the wall, you can crawl back to your room and call for help using your HT. OK?

Tim

1075. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34B9754F.75F1@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181741
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> ... I believe that more people are using CW today than ever before.

Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there were wall-to-wall CW signals. Now there is an average of two or three.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1076. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69c12k$2vk$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181742

In article <69bcrb$t8c@dfw-ixnews6.ix.netcom.com>,
Christina Michelle Hunt <michell5@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>It was the short-sidedness of the ARRL that nearly killed off the hobby
>with incentive licensing.

Incentive licensing was amateur radio's holocaust? How do you explain the
fact that back in the 60's there were <100K amateurs and today there are almost
700K? Yeah, I can see how we've lost THOUSANDS of amateurs.

>And yet... if I was told I would have to re-test
>to keep my ham license, I would let it lapse because I am personally
>tired of being dictated to by those with-in the ranks of Amateur Radio
>who have the attitude they know what is best for me.

Rules change over 10 years. Why is it "dictating" to you when you
need to take an exam to ensure that you are up-to-date technically
and regulation-wise? Your attitude reaks of the same elitism you
claim pro-coders have.

>My commercial Radiotelephone License which was originally issued in
>1958 as a First Class License and now Grandfathered to a General
>Radiotelephone License is good for the rest of my life... no
>re-training or re-certification needed... and this is for a COMMERCIAL
>license.

Bad idea. GROLs *should* be good for 5-10 years, like GMDSS licenses
are. Retesting should be mandatory.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1077. Mod for FT50RD???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Lamanna <mustang@kickit.pgh.net>
Message-ID: <34B98873.F4A4923D@kickit.pgh.net>
Source record: 181743

Does anyone know if the new FT50RD is Mars/CAP expandable???
please let me know

Mike

1078. NEED 10 METER L7 MODS.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: K6ME <K6ME@THEGRID.NET>
Message-ID: <69c36ubgj2@news.ncal.verio.com>
Source record: 181744

I NEED THE SPECS. TO PUT MY DRAKE L7 AMP ON 10 & 17 METERS.. ITS AND OLDIE SERIAL # 205 WIDE BAND.

K6ME, TERRY

1079. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34B9C568.159D@lni.net>
Source record: 181745

CBRambo wrote:
>
> I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when traveling,
> but very rarely hear any activity on either one. How many of you actually use
> these two "calling frequencies", especially when mobile?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I guess the cb rainbow's scanner doesn't receive so well.
Best wishes
Al

1080. Icom mod??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <69c4i9$7cp@snews3.zippo.com>
Source record: 181746

Need the mod for an Icom 2GXAT for out of band TX....
Thanks in advance!!
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

1081. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34B92BC8.250@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 181747

john c. frenzel wrote:
>
> larry wrote:
> >
> > I have read a few messages which talk about OOK morse. Would
> > somewone enlighten me on what OOK morse is?
> > Larry ve3fxq
>
> On Off Keying = OOK Carrier on, Carrier off. To be contrasted with
> modulated CW where the morse signal is moduated onto the carrier as a
> tone and the carrier is always present. Like the morse idents that FM
> repeaters use.
==========
Huh?
> John KA4JDU

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

1082. need copy of aug 89 everyday electronics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: brucej@aardvark.apana.org.au
Message-ID: <69a8svprc6@llama.teragen.com.au>
Source record: 181748

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can anybody help me with a copy of aug 89
everyday electronics metal detector progject
thanks brucej@aardvark.apana.org.au

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------------------------------------------------------------------------------
AARDVARK Public Access Internet - Melbourne, Australia - (03)9886-3800
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1083. Re: Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B9A29C.1364617D@flash.net>
Source record: 181749

David and Cathy Thomas wrote:

> Can someone describe the basic tuning procedures for the kenwood 520s, I
> don't have the instruction manual.
>
> David C. Thomas
> KA9AXJ

Might be easier to email you a reply if your address wasn't bogus.

1084. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B998D2.128E@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181750
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> > ... I believe that more people are using CW today than ever before.
>
> Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there
> were wall-to-wall CW signals. Now there is an average of two or three.
>

Ah, yes I remember it well. And my first receiver, an ARC-5 surplus job heard them all on a single quarter inch of dial. That's where I learned to dig out a single signal from all that QRM and noise and ignore all others and the noise. I wish more people got that type of effective training.

Dick W0EX

1085. Re: ABC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <n7unh@compuzone.net>
Message-ID: <34B91FF2.502B@compuzone.net>
Source record: 181785

Chowie wrote:
>
> I need help... and I think this is the right place.
>
> Ham radio operator uses abbrevations like A - Alpha, B- Bravo , C-
> Charlie etc until Z.
> I would be very grateful if anyone out there could kindly furnish me with
> the whole list, from A to Z.
>
> Thanks a million.
>
> Cheers!
> Thomas Chow from Malaysia
Hi Thomas, I hope this helps you:
A-ALPHA
B-BRAVO
C-CHARLIE
D-DELTA
E-ECHO
F-FOXTROT
G-GOLF
H-HOTEL
I-INDIA
J-JULIET
K-KILO
L-LIMA (le-ma)
M-MIKE
N-NOVEMBER
O-OSCAR
P-PAPA
Q-QUEBEC
R-ROMEO
S-SIERRA
T-TANGO
U-UNIFORM
V-VICTOR
W-WHISKEY
X-XRAY
Y-YANKEE
Z-ZULU

73 --- Tim

1086. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B8F3E0.86906CC9@flash.net>
Source record: 181786

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <34B79AD1.633A96C3@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:
>
> >CBRambo wrote:
>
> > Okay...so I'll ask you again. As an amateur operator, with
> >your own interests
> > in mind, would you rather he do his freebanding with a
> >TS-830 or with a
> > modified CB which would then be attatched to a cheap,
> >dirty linear to make it
> > equivalent in output to the 830. Which one of
> >these scenarios would cause the
> > most harm to YOUR operations if you
> >happened to live in his neighborhood?
>
> You seem to be hung up on this lesser
> >of two evils train of thought.
>
> Yes, because this is REALITY. The REAL WORLD here...not the world as you would
> like it to be, according to some RADIO COP handbook.

Well thanks for not responding in any way to my questions, since you seem to have avoided everyone of them so I'll assume you couldn't come up with a quick one liner.. I am truly amazed with your "Reality" you seem to feel as though were all fools because we have respect for playing by the rules. You can't seem to understand that there are plenty of us who are content to operate transmitters on HF with real licenses and operate within the law. I guess the thought of this must be a real drag for you. It has nothing to do with a RADIO COP handbook, it's roots are found in respect. Respect for the guy who doesn't have cable TV, respect for those who wish to our ranks, and respect for the CB operator who would can't hear anything because someone is running 100 watts down the street. It's easy for you to make a punch line out of it all, for those of us who consider someone other than ourselves it means much much more.

Tim, ka8ddz

1087. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don or Darla Arnold <DArnold@datasync.com>
Message-ID: <34B91782.443E@datasync.com>
Source record: 181787
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

gambino wrote:
>
> Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...

TELL HIM ABOUT IT...good for you go get em!!!

are all part
> of the same "old boys club"...

fighting that in the deep south also..but we are making headway...

>dont let the sob's get ya down

don

1088. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B9122B.78A3@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181788
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Dwight Stewart wrote:
>
> > michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote...
> >
> > Although I realize this is as much an emotional issue as a technical
> > one, I think you are missing the point here.
> >
> > Nobody would argue that CW was first, nor that it should not be
> > allowed anywhere on the bands... this is how it should be and I
> > personally have benefitted from this at times. During the 43 years
> > I have been licensed I have done my share of brass pounding and have
> > enjoyed it.
> >
> > The problem is IMHO, the requirement of CW profficiency is
> > strangling the hobby and as each older 'CW capable' ham becomes a
> > Silent Key, the ranks grow thinner.
>
> REPLY...
>
> Welcome to the debate, Michelle. I won't comment heavily on what you
> said, because I agree with almost everything. I just wanted you to know
> you are welcome, and look forward to your comments in the future.
>
> Having said all that, I will disagree with one aspect of your message
> - your rather pessimistic view of the hobby. I think Amateur radio can
> be healthy again.
>
> The use of radio is growing strongly in America. This is certain to
> attract new people to Amateur radio. But, whether they see it as a way
> to learn an interesting technology, or a way to increase possible job
> opportunities (learning radio skills), people today are more interested
> in the technical aspects of radio, rather than more "archaic" aspects
> like Morse code (simply because they don't see it used elsewhere).
>
> The technician license has attracted a lot of new people to Amateur
> radio (it is the fastest growing license class). If the code
> requirement was also dropped from some of the other license classes, I
> think Amateur radio would see a resurgence like it has not seen in a
> great many years. I even think that the number of people using code
> would eventually increase (more people, more possible code users).
>
> So, I have a little more optimistic view of the future of Amateur
> radio (perhaps because I want to see it continue so badly). Like you, I

> think dropping the code test requirement is one way to insure that.
>
> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

If I may throw in my two cents worth? Enjoyed both of your posts and would like to comment.

It may be that knowing the code is no longer as important as it once was. It is still a very useful mode and attracts many amateurs, despite the nay sayers. Still, realistically, I agree that knowing 13 words per miute to get HF privelages on all bands is a bit much for some people.

On the other hand, I am afraid that doing away with the code will allow more CB intellects into the bands and decrease the quality of HAM communications. One reason I started in the hobby was the quality of people here. Some of the more vociferous bashers of the code, like "cutie boy" are people we should use the requirement to keep out of the hobby.

The no code tech license was meant to bring more new blood into the hobby and it has. Unfortunately, many of these people are good hams and get turned off by being so constrained to the upper bands.

The ARRL and FCC made it very easy to get a no code license, it does bother me that completely doing away with the code for HF would, again, bring in the rif raff of CB types.

Conclusion, I would support a reduced code requirement that would allow what is now considered a "general license" to those passing CW test of five wpm. Of course, the written exams would still have to be passed.

Sub conclusion, to me, the most rewarding part of this hobby is the knowledge gained in studying for my license. Indeed the spirit of Amateur radio should not be just selling more radios, or for that matter just jaw boning on the air (although I do like that), but the thrust should be to educate the amatuer, especially those without a technical background, to the wonders of electronic communications.

P.S. Maybee I appreciate the hobby because I do not come from a technical backgraound but have gained much knowledge by my participation.

73 all
Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1089. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111191901.OAA24684@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181789

In article <34B8F3E0.86906CC9@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

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be a real drag for you. It has nothing to do with a
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are found in respect. Respect for the guy who
>doesn't have cable TV, respect for
those who wish to our ranks, and respect
>for the CB operator who would can't hear
anything because someone is running
>100 watts down the street. It's easy for you to
make a punch line out of it
>all, for those of us who consider someone other than
ourselves it means much
>much more.

Understoood. But the REALITY of the situation is that the person who asked about the mod has ALREADY made the decision to operate his radio illegally. That's already a done deal. No amount of preaching, rule-quotations, talk about "respect", or whatever is going to change that. He's already made the decision. Period. Now, taking this into consideration, you have to ask yourself "how can he accomplish his goal in a manner that causes the least amount of problems to others?" Remember, he already owns a radio with full transmit capabilities on all amateur HF bands. Tick the guy off instead of being helpful, and you just might find yourself with an irate bootlegger on the ham bands instead of a relatively harmless and happy 27Mhz freebander. Make sense?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1090. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111192500.OAA08830@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181790

>i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
>less than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
>kill off the hobby.
>
>W4SCO
>
>

If you retested the No-Code you would Probably have a 1 to 2 percent pass rate

1091. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B91833.1BF@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181791

Alright guys, lets get it straight. So far I have 50.110, 50.125 (+/-
5), 50.2, and 52.525. All these can't be THE nation-wide simplex
calling frequency for 6-meters. Lets pick one, okay? :-)

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1092. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b918d4.272365908@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181792

On 10 Jan 1998 09:49:17 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>In article <34B7545A.998F7C37@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:
>
>>Meaning no offense, but you guys have got to be crazy. We
>>have too few amateurs now. Retesting can only decrease the
>>number, as some people will be too busy to retest, or will
>>view it as a hassle that they will not put up with over and
>>over again. For that matter, what is wrong with the hams we
>>have now? Why do we need to mess with them by imposing the
>>burden of retesting? What a pointless hassle that would be!
>
>I disagree completely.
>
>A decade is a long time. Rules, regulations, and technology changes.
>It is not a bad idea to require a ham renewing his license to take
>an examination on these changes, to ensure s/he is aware of all
>the new regs, etc.
>
>The only problem I see with this idea is that the examination needs
>to be a *single* exam at each license class (e.g. you don't make people
>renewing go through the cycle of 2 to 5 examinations all over again).
>It will require a great deal of work at the VEC level, maintaining a
>current question pool for an examination which needs to be timely.
>This means constant, yearly updating of the "pool" for the renewal
>examination, a great deal of work for the VEC system.

There's no reason not to require a renewee to take the same exams as someone newly qualifying for the same license. If the knowledge is relevant for one, it is for the other too. Even timeless things like basic electromagnetic theory can slip away if one makes no effort to retain it. So retesting on *everything* is necessary to make sure the renewee still meets the requirements for holding an amateur radio license.

Since the question pool committee already updates the exams on a regular basis, no additional work is required of them. Since electronic processing is employed by the VECs and FCC, no significant extra workload is imposed on them either, just a few more CPU cycles consumed. VEs will give more exams, but they will be the same exams that they give everyone, the sessions will just be a bit more crowded, and they do charge a fee to cover their costs.

>>The hams we have now are just fine. We just need more of them.
>
>I see a bunch of people who would be better suited in the FRS. I

>don't think we need more of them. We need more dedicated communicators
>and technical innovators. We don't need more mundane "pick up milk on
>the way home, honey".

What we need are amateurs who can prove that they have retained the knowledge and skills the government considers necessary for them to have in order to be radio amateurs. What they do with that knowledge is up to them. If they want to call their wives, they can. If they want to chase Dx, they can. And if they want to fullfill the charter purposes of the amateur service, they can do that too. We can't force them to be technical innovators or hotshot operators. All we can force them to do is to prove that they meet the requirements the government considers necessary in order to hold an amateur radio license.

This seems so obvious and reasonable, I can't see how anyone could oppose it. That is unless they think the exams cover things which are *not* necessary for one to know to competently hold an amateur radio license. In that case, I'd expect an outcry to have the exams revised (for everyone) to cover only what really is necessary knowledge.

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1093. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B8FA1A.22F532DF@flash.net>
Source record: 181793

SCO wrote:

> glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:
>
> >Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
> >
> >>SCO wrote:
> >>
> >>> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
> >>> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
> >>> Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
> >>> lot easier to remember.
> >>
> >> God I hope he's joking
> >
> >I don't think so. Xrist, reading some of this stuff tempts me to
> >endorse Gary's idea of re-testing!
>
> Ok, maybe 54 mhz was a bad example. Maybe it should be 50.6 (6 for 6
> meters).
>
> W4SCO

Well ok, but of course that would interfear with the current band plan to
have non-voice communications only on those freqs.
I guess I'm still confused, whats wrong with 52.525? Learn it, know it,
operate it! I've worked several states on FM now running 10 watts on 52.525,
leave the rig on all day squelched out, when the band opens I gar on teeee
you'll hear plenty of activity.

Tim

1094. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b91f24.273982394@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181794

On 10 Jan 1998 09:54:28 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>In article <34b6e250.127326916@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
> Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
>
>>I don't know if it would get rid of "scum", but annual retesting would
>>go far to ensure that amateurs really remain competent in the areas
>>which are considered essential for holding an amateur license. That
>>is the stated government purpose of amateur exams after all.
>
>That might be the stated government purpose, but its too bad that the
>existing testing system doesn't accomplish it in the least. Instead, all
>it does is test a person's ability to commit to short-term memory the
>knowledge needed to correctly answer. I know several people on different
>VE teams in this state, and they all say the same thing -- people come in,
>take the test, walk out with a license, and forget everything they
>learned. It seems the only people who consistantly have trouble passing
>the examinations are those who actually try to LEARN the material, rather
>than just learning the correct answers.

Fine. So if we require them to be retested frequently enough, it will be more to their advantage to know the material than to repeatedly memorize question pools with over a thousand questions. Sounds like a great idea to me.

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1095. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b91fc8.274146605@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181795

On 11 Jan 1998 00:12:49 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>>amateur career.
>
>Seconded! I would support a retest at each renewal. Would you suggest that the
>test include all elements up to the class granted, or just be the question pool
>for the class being renewed?

The whole thing. If it is relevant knowledge a new licensee must demonstrate,
it is still relevant knowledge for someone licensed 10, 20, 30, or 40 years earlier.

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1096. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B8FCFE.379C084B@flash.net>
Source record: 181796

SCO wrote:

> mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>
> >>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
> >>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
> >>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
> >>amateur career.
> >
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> >test include all elements up to the class granted, or just be the question pool
> >for the class being renewed?
> >
> >Kï¿½MB
>
> i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
> less than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
> kill off the hobby.
>
> W4SCO

Im not so sure, it somewhat like joining a country club, if they let anyone come in, then it's not a club anymore is it? I would love to see more advanced tests and perhaps even an all mode VHF or UHF band set aside for just the extra +.
If only 10% would pass re-testing that may be an explanation as to why I hear FM on the satellite passbands, it might explain the QSO's on FM I've been hearing on 144.050. Actually re-testing may be just what we need to rejuvenate the hobby, if you can't cut it then your probably the guy screwing up my SSB QSO on the satellite.

Tim, ka8ddz

1097. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b9206a.274308502@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181797

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 01:32:15 GMT, glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:
>ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman) wrote:

>>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>>amateur career.
>
>I never thought I'd see you adopting this sort of elitist attitude.
>Sheesh! It's a hobby, Gary, not Rocket Science or brain surgery.
>
>Would spending several months studying to re-take my ham tests make me
>a better ham? Does not having to re-test make you a lesser ham? Of
>course not. You just want to drive out anybody who doesn't have your
>knowledge or way of thinking. Feh!

If we require passing of these tests by the newly licensed, what kind of hypocrites are we that we aren't willing to be retested periodically on the same materials? That's the root of this issue. If the newly licensed need to know these things, *so do we*.

I'm not asking that the exams for renewal be *harder* for an experienced and long time licensed amateur than for someone fresh off the street. Though one should expect that the long time licensee would know more. All I'm asking is that they show that they retain the *same* knowledge that they require the person fresh off the street to demonstrate. That's as fair and logical as can be. If you're against this, then you must also be against testing the newcomer off the street. Because if you don't have to know it, then why should he? Any other position makes you a hypocrite.

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1098. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b922cc.274918798@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181798

On 8 Jan 1998 01:56:21 GMT, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) wrote:
>On 1998/01/06 T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:
>
>>Having to retest would take away any suspsion of wrong doing.....What is
>>there to loose? If you can't pass the test a second time you probably
>>should not have the ticket.
>>
>>dt
>
>Do you have a degree in anything? Maybe you would like to re-take all of your
>finals to keep it.

If you are a competent practitioner in the field, you'd better know the
materials which qualified you to be a practitioner. Otherwise, your
license *should* be revoked for incompetence.

Oh, you say some of the things on which you were tested aren't
relevent to your competence as a practitioner? Sounds like the
curriculum needs revision.

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1099. mods for IC-T7E?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mart <herz@online.ee>
Message-ID: <34B9AFED.4A4D@online.ee>
Source record: 181799

Hello,

Is there any mods for IC-T7E?

Regards.
Mark

1100. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B900D5.809BBC4F@flash.net>
Source record: 181800

CBRambo wrote:

> I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when traveling,
> but very rarely hear any activity on either one. How many of you actually use
> these two "calling frequencies", especially when mobile?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

The answer was stated very eloquently by someone before, so with credit given, I'll repeat it. The reason 146.52 doesn't work well for highway travel is that unless the guy is traveling in the same direction as you your QSO time is limited. Think about two cars at 60 mph in opposite directions at the point they pass, they will be 10 miles apart in 5 minutes, probably into the noise if both are running simple antennas. Even worse in the mountains. Tune in 146.52 when you hit heavy traffic, you'll find alot of activity then.

6m is quite a bit better, as far as distance, but most contacts I have made have been with base stations who are monitoring 52.525 it's a great band.

Tim

1101. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b92669.275843475@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181801

On Fri, 09 Jan 1998 20:55:40 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>
>> Whoa nellie! Go back to modulation 101. A OOK Morse signal certainly
>> does have sidebands. It is a form of DSB AM modulation. Now a *CW*
>> signal, IE a continous unmodulated carrier, theoretically would have
>> no sidebands, but in practice even that will have phase noise sidebands.
>> So operation exactly on the band edge is illegal even if you don't modulate
>> the carrier at all.
>
>Well, ok but I don't understand the difference between OOK morse and an
>'unmodulated carrier' I assumed they were the same. An AM signal with no
>modulation isn't an AM signal, just a carrier right?

Right. But the moment you start modulating it with OOK Morse, it is no
longer just a carrier. OOK is just a very aggressive form of AM modulation
where the carrier is driven all the way to cutoff on negative modulation peaks.

The modulating envelope is the *keying waveform*. That will have sidebands
either side of the carrier, just like any other AM modulated transmission. For
speeds below 60 WPM, the dominant sideband will be the rise/fall shaping of the
keying waveform. If you follow CCIR shaping recomendations, that'll be 66.66 Hz.
For higher speeds, the dot frequency becomes the dominant sideband. There are
also sideband components at the dash frequency and at the intracharcter space
frequency and the intercharacter space frequency and the interword space
frequency, but they are all less than (or equal to) the dot frequency so we can
ignore them for the purpose of determining occupied bandwidth.

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1102. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34b9296e.276616788@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181802

On Fri, 9 Jan 1998 20:58:54 -0500, "Peter Gottlieb" <peter_gottlieb@email.msn.com>
wrote:
>Also, don't forget that the older tube-type boatanchor
>equipment is more resistant than solid state equipment
>to massive overloads.

According to the ARRL Lab's tests in the Navy EMP simulator,
that's not true. The only radio to take damage was an older
tube type HF rig. Its first RF stage input transformer winding
was burnt out by the EMP. The low impedance of solid state
equipment's input circuits was able to shunt the pulse safely
to circuit common.

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1103. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B9089E.6244F377@flash.net>
Source record: 181803

CBRambo wrote:

> Understoood. But the REALITY of the situation is that the person who asked
> about the mod has ALREADY made the decision to operate his radio illegally.
> That's already a done deal. No amount of preaching, rule-quotations, talk
> about "respect", or whatever is going to change that. He's already made the
> decision. Period. Now, taking this into consideration, you have to ask
> yourself "how can he accomplish his goal in a manner that causes the least
> amount of problems to others?" Remember, he already owns a radio with full
> transmit capabilities on all amateur HF bands. Tick the guy off instead of
> being helpful, and you just might find yourself with an irate bootlegger on the
> ham bands instead of a relatively harmless and happy 27Mhz freebander. Make
> sense?

No I'm sorry, it doesn't make any sense to me at all. I'm not going to be intimidated worring about 'tick'ing him off.
Let's put a slight twist on your above comments.
Now keep in mind Rambo, he's already decided to hold up the liquor store, he HAS the equipment to clean the place out if he opens fire, all the preaching in the world will not stop him from holding up this liquor store because he's already made that decision. Period.

So if I follow your logic with respect to our potential bootlegger. I know how to cheat this brand of alarm system, so I should tell this robber that all he has to do is punch in the code "123abc" into the alarm system after 2:00 Am. and he can get in without any trouble. I mean sure the crime has been committed but I was able to assist him and caused the least amount of problems to others haven't I? This notion of "better help em or they might cause you problems" makes me want to throw up. How spineless someone must be to concede to those sort of veiled threats.

Since REALITY seems to be important in your argument, lets talk about the REALITY of this poor bastards dilemma. He has an expensive piece of HF gear and can get NO ONE TO HELP HIM CONVERT IT. That so far IS THE REALITY. Whether he has ALREADY DECIDED OR NOT he's still sitting there looking at his radio wondering what to do. How's that for a REALITY check?

Tim, ka8ddz

1104. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111203401.PAA18767@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181804

In article <34B8FCFE.379C084B@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>> i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
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>than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
> kill off the
>hobby.
>
> W4SCO

Im not so sure, it somewhat like joining a country club, if
>they let anyone come in,
then it's not a club anymore is it?

This is precisely what is wrong with amateur radio in general, and the Morse requirement in particular: it IS operated much like a "country club" with Morse code being the equivalent of the "secret handshake" or other initiation ritual.

There is no legal right for these sorts of things to exist where publicly-owned radio frequencies are involved and a license issued by the government is required in order to participate.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1105. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Timothy A. Hostetler" <apple@MidOhio.net>
Message-ID: <34B964E7.4AF4E6B5@MidOhio.net>
Source record: 181805

Tim Hynde wrote:

> > >>> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
> > >>> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
> > >>> Like I am going to remember that freq.

> Well ok, but of course that would interfear with the current band plan to
> have non-voice communications only on those freqs.
> I guess I'm still confused, whats wrong with 52.525? Learn it, know it,
> operate it! I've worked several states on FM now running 10 watts on 52.525,

Mr. Hynde makes a good point and you still only have to remember 2 numbers...52.Dial up 52. 52 5(2). Close enough for most TV sets!

1106. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111205001.PAA29221@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181806

In article <34B9089E.6244F377@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> Understoood. But the REALITY of the situation is that the
>person who asked
> about the mod has ALREADY made the decision to operate his
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> amount of problems to others?" Remember, he
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>bands. Tick the guy off instead of
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> ham bands instead of a relatively
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Now keep
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>equipment to clean the place out if he opens fire, all the preaching in
>the
world will not stop him from holding up this liquor store because he's
>already made
that decision. Period.

That's a pretty far stretch...equating operating a radio beyond it's assigned
band limits with armed robbery. Come on, Tim. Let's be real here.

>So if I follow your logic with respect
>to our potential bootlegger. I know how to
cheat this brand of alarm system,
>so I should tell this robber that all he has to
do is punch in the code
>"123abc" into the alarm system after 2:00 Am. and he can
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>trouble. I mean sure the crime has been committed but I was able
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>REALITY. Whether he has ALREADY
DECIDED OR NOT he's still sitting there
>looking at his radio wondering what to do.
How's that for a REALITY
>check?

How's this? As you mentioned "he has an expensive piece of HF gear and can get no one to help him convert it. That so far is the reality." So, if this remains the case, what do you suppose he will do with the radio?

a) put it in the corner and let it collect dust or

b) use the radio as-is, bootlegging on the amateur frequencies which his radio CAN operate on perfectly well

I'd put my money on "Option B"

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1107. Re: Help! TS-820/VFO-820

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111205901.PAA29688@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181807

>Just bought this unit

Is a "unit" something like a radio?
>Am I missing a strap, or procedure?

What is a "strap?"
K�MB

1108. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69bb34$2bh$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181808

In article <34bf0140.5885536@news.mindspring.com>, SCO <sco@sco-inc.com> wrote:

>If you retest the hams at 13 and 20 wpm you would probably eliminate
>about 75% of all hams General class and higher. Is that what you
>really want to do? If code speed is important to get the license then
>it would have to be on any re-test to renew that same license!!

I wouldn't have any problems re-passing my code exam, would you?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1109. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B90F38.764067B7@flash.net>
Source record: 181809

Dwight Stewart wrote:

> Alright guys, lets get it straight. So far I have 50.110, 50.125 (+/-
> 5), 50.2, and 52.525. All these can't be THE nation-wide simplex
> calling frequency for 6-meters. Lets pick one, okay? :-)
>
> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

Dwight, there is not a single 'calling frequency' since each mode has it's own band plan. If you called on 50.125 with FM your chances of a response are slim to none since everyone is listening SSB. Same for calling on 52.525 with SSB.

52.525 Primary FM simplex
52.4 Secondary FM simplex
50.125 SSB calling frequency

Local AM groups may have their own simplex or calling frequencies but the ones listed above come from the ARRL band plan.
I'm monitoring 52.525 all the time, if the band opens up gimme a call!

Tim, ka8ddz

1110. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980111150059.287A-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 181810

On 10 Jan 1998, Darrell Shandrow wrote:

> Date: 10 Jan 1998 19:16:37 -0700
> From: Darrell Shandrow <dshandro@nyx.net>
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> Subject: Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE
>
>
> Greetings,
>
> Retesting in order to renew an amateur radio license is the wrong way to
> go. It involves the spending of more money and other scarce resources.
> Like another poster already stated, there isn't, as a while, anything
> wrong with our current ham population. I am an extra class operator, and
> I have retained the knowledge necessary in order to participate in the
> areas of amateur radio in which I choose to participate. I do not need to
> be retested!

MOST amateurs, who are active, tend to follow along as time and
money permits, with trends in technology. Not ALL amateurs can do so,
because that may not be possible or due to the fact, that certain facets
just don't interest them.

Amateur exams, do NOT come with a Psychological exam. Therefore, just
because someone reads the questions on the exam about spurious emissions,
doesn't mean they will try to keep that from happening. Or to NOT transmit
profanity, etc. WE ALL need to clean up our act. Hams and CBers alike. Or
someone will do it for us. As we are starting to see.

As for retesting. I have seen as a VE TEAM leader, hundreds of people,
take exams and a lot struggled, but they did pass. And, they were/are good
hams. A few were/are not. Those that I feel were not, even tested with an
attitude. I've been a ham since the late 70s and I too am appalled at how
our hobby has declined. But, one or two people, WILL NOT clean it up.
Code or the lack of it, will not do it either.

If we start retesting EVERYBBODY because we don't like how things are
going, then let's also include Lawyers, Doctors, Teachers, Engineers, etc.
I bet that won't go over too well. Why single out those in just the
AMATEUR society???? Why I'd be willing to bet, that some of those Amateurs
to be retested as has been suggested, are also included in the above
list of occupations.

Yes, I knew my necessary topics when I tested and yes, I passed. However,
some of it, as another poster had said, I DO NOT USE or participate in.
RTTY being one of them. So, my need to memorize the necessary o-scope

pattern or bandwidths AFTER the exam except now for VE testing, have gone by the way side. I don't commit it to memory. But, should I ever choose to participate at some point in time, I will take the time to reaquaint myself with it more thoroughly. As for now, I have more important things to do than to MEMORIZE that which I have no use for.

MAYBE, if we went back to the old way of testing, we wouldn't have the problem. I'm not saying it is the cure, but just a thought. When I first tested, the FCC issued a Study Guide with only topics listed. No questions or answers - just topics. If you didn't have an inkling of what was what, lets face it, you failed and wasted a trip. But now, anyone with half a brain can memorize answers enough to get by. THIS may be our biggest downfall. Memorizing a few answers doen't teach the basics of what goes in to electronics. But even this, isn't the total answer. NO HAM TEST can tell who will be a GOOD ham, and who will be a "bad" one. You can ace a test and be the worse person when it comes to dealing with people.
The result, disrespect for others and carrying on, disrupting the airways. Synonimous with a guy who aces the tests to become a lawyer, and passes out poor advice. Or a doctor, who goes against medical principles. If they have it within them, they'll do anything to get their ends met, whether anyone else suffers at their hands or not.

This country has become a spawning ground for disrespect for the law and each other. No one respects the Federal Governments rules or regulations, or local or state laws. It's not just hams, or any one area, it's everyone and everywhere. It'll only get WORSE if we ALL don't start doing something to correct it. It starts in each of us.

Just my 2 cents.

Tech@DP.NET

1111. HF design wanted for CASH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris Louth <cjlouth@global.co.za>
Message-ID: <01bd1ed6$4bf935e0$dc4c58d1@chris>
Source record: 181811

HF transceiver 1-30 Mhz design wanted; will pay cash, cash cash,

further info

Contact Chris Louth
cjlouth@global.co.za

1112. WTB: Tubes, 6LF6 & 6JG6

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Christopher M Fisher <rooh@erols.com>
Message-ID: <34B93978.2F7150C1@erols.com>
Source record: 181812

Greetings:

I'm looking for the following tubes. I'd appreciate any info.

5 - 6LF6
2 - 6JG6

Thanks
Chris
rooh@erols.com

1113. Re: 5wpm is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69bdch$p84$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 1998/01/11 k1zat@dsport.com (JD Delancy) wrote:

Cutie Boy (cute@radiotelephone.net.ham) wrote:
>: I am sure no one cares about amateur radio anymore.
>
>...and you dont know what your talking about. Go back
>to CB.

Actually, outside of the amateur clique, this is quite true.

When people find out how boring amateurs are, it's no wonder they don't
care.

Find someone who is totally unfamiliar with amateur radio, and take them
to a club meeting. They'll be ready to leave in 10 minutes if they don't
fall asleep first.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1114. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69bdkd$p84$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181814

On 1998/01/11 mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>>amateur career.
>
>Seconded! I would support a retest at each renewal. Would you suggest
>that the test include all elements up to the class granted, or just be
>the question pool for the class being renewed?
>
>KOMB

I say make them retake everything from novice right up to and including
their current class of license.

...and while we're at it, let's make every person who has a college degree
retake all of their finals they've had through college.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1115. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34B90E5A.2AEC@icss.net>
Source record: 181815
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

N4ST wrote:
>
> Dwight Stewart wrote in message <34B74674.66F3@sccoast.net>...
> >> lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote....
> >>
> > > Morse code is the past, and the digital modes (such as packet) are the
> > >future. Because of that, such a test requirement would be much more
> >
> > ***SNIP
> > Betcha that 25 years from now, there will be no packet stations on the air
> > and very few people will even remember what it was. Betcha that CW will
> > still be going strong.
> > _________
> > Jim - N4ST

Jim, I wouldn't use "strong" to describe what CW will be doing in 25 years. One glance at the acturarial tables, and yours is but a pipe dream. Only if medical science can continue to prolong the lives of the current pro-coders will there be any beeping on the bands. Also, have you noticed that hospitals have restricted handheld and cellular phone use in the wards? It seems they interfere with the life support systems that these pro-coders will be on. After they are gone, well may I suggest that you visit a museum.
73, Brian/N0iMD

1116. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69b4gt$23c$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181816
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34b8deac.6443292@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
>http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
>for emergency purposes.
>Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
>on 2m repeaters... not on HFs.
...
>CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
>about it again.

Do you think any of what you state above is "new news"?

Most emergency situations are local in nature. Therefore, the bulk of
emergency traffic tends to be handled on VHF frequencies, specifically,
the 2 meter band, being the most widely used VHF band. Since FM
is the predominent mode on VHF 2 meters, its only natural that there
would be all FM and no CW traffic, since almost nobody does CW on 2 meters.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1117. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69b4ok$245$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181817
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34b8e243.7362403@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>that's why CW is useless. (?)
>I have the internet access in my place and I don't have any problems
>with connecting it at this moment.

I'm sure your internet connection will work wonders when you have
1) no power, 2) a damaged CO, or 3) numerous downed telephone lines.

>anyhow, no one is using CW to pass the information out for emergency
>purposes at this time... in my area.

Why should a predominently VHF activity determine the validity of a
predominently HF activity?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1118. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Hughes <mchughes@netnitco.net>
Message-ID: <69b1p7ddm1@hyperion.nitco.com>
Source record: 181818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message
<69am04$1n1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <34B8BBA6.77C7@sccoast.net>,
> Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>

<snip>

>> When you add the non-Amateur bands, CW is quickly left in the
dust.
>
>Why would we add the non-amateur bands. We're talking about AMATEUR
radio.
>What taxi-drivers in NYC use to get dispatch calls is irrelevant.
Other
>services have different charters.

Um, excuse me, but last I heard, some NYC cabbies WERE using amateur
radio frequencies for dispatch calls..... illegally, of course!

(Sorry, but I couldn't resist!)

73, Mike - KG9HF

1119. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
Message-ID: <34B938B1.17D6720@direct.ca>
Source record: 181819
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

> Most emergency situations are local in nature. Therefore, the
> bulk of emergency traffic tends to be handled on VHF frequencies,
> specifically, the 2 meter band, being the most widely used VHF
> band.

This not a local emergency. There has been severe damage from
Kingston and Ottawa all the way to New Brunswick. I can see
applications of HF and satellite communications to get stuff
out of the very large affected area.

...laura

1120. Re: NASTY!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: jonlaw@usa.comnet
Message-ID: <34B9564B.1A71@usa.comnet>
Source record: 181820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

K7RMJ wrote:
> Is this a warning or an invitation??
> Just curious...
>
> 73's DE Frank K7RMJ dit..dit
>
> In article <34B72AB5.B17@flash.net>, david084@flash.net says...
> >
> >HAVE YOU HEARD THE WEIRD PEOPLE ON 3.850 LSB and 3.853 LSB?
> >
> > THEY ARE VERY VERY NASTY! DONT LISTEN UNLESS YOU CAN HANDLE
> >
> > VERY NASTY HAM OPERATORS!
> >
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> >
> >--
> >The Global Warming theory is based upon JUNK SCIENCE!
> > Do not go to this site unless your a conservative!
> >
> > http://junkscience.com/index.shtml

Frank, Is it "REALLY" hams? Or just wantabes?

1121. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B919D6.EF1E14EE@flash.net>
Source record: 181821

CBRambo wrote:

> That's a pretty far stretch...equating operating a radio beyond it's assigned
> band limits with armed robbery. Come on, Tim. Let's be real here.

Yes it is, but I know your smart enough to make the connection. My point is simple, you think freebanding is O.K. Thats fine do it if you must, just don't crusify the rest of us who want to play by the rules.

> >Since REALITY seems to be important in your argument, lets talk
> >about the REALITY of this poor bastards dilemma. He has an expensive piece of
> >HF gear and can get NO ONE TO HELP HIM CONVERT IT. That so far IS THE
> >REALITY. Whether he has ALREADY DECIDED OR NOT he's still sitting there
> >looking at his radio wondering what to do. How's that for a REALITY check?
>
> How's this? As you mentioned "he has an expensive piece of HF gear and can get
> no one to help him convert it. That so far is the reality." So, if this
> remains the case, what do you suppose he will do with the radio?
>
> a) put it in the corner and let it collect dust or
>
> b) use the radio as-is, bootlegging on the amateur frequencies which his radio
> CAN operate on perfectly well
>
> I'd put my money on "Option B"

Well were right back to the old argument "ya better help him do it illegally or pay the consequences" With statements like "use the radio as-is, bootlegging on the amateur frequencies" you imply that I'm only concerned about myself, my amature bands, Im not. I'm taking into consideration much more and this is the point you just dont get, or you simply dont care about. I'm not going to help someone cause unnessesary TVI, Im not going to help him tear up the CB bands and make the frequencys unusable for others who want to use it properly. If he chooses to bootleg on the amateur bands thats fine, at least the output circuitry will keep his harmonics in order. If he does choose to fire up on 20m though, I wonder who he'll talk to? How much fun will it be to have to 'fake' a call or finally meet a group of guys he has somthing in common with but has to lie like a spineless freebander because he cant tell anyone his real QTH or name. Yep sounds like loads of fun to me...I wish him well.

Tim

1122. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111220001.RAA03166@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181822

>Clearly you have not tuned around the HF bands and conducted your
>> own personal survey of activity of the different modes operating
>> there.

> No, I haven't Richard. I don't need surveys to see the slow trend
>away from Morse and towards other operating modes (in the other radio
>bands, and in the Amateur bands).

Atta Boy! Don't let your *opinion* get obscured by any observation, survey, or other form of fact gathering!
>When you add the non-Amateur bands, CW is quickly left in the dust.
>We cannot ignore what is happening in the other radio bands when talking
>about Amateur radio.

When you add the other bands, the over-all winner will be ego-maniac preachers trying to save your soul(and, maybe make a buck...). So I guess A.M. is the wave of the future!

KMB

1123. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111220400.RAA02622@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181823

>From: cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)

>I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when traveling,
>but very rarely hear any activity on either one.

Folks recognize your car, that's why nobody talks to you.

"Where's that big 'ol CB
Bimbo??"
"I waana hear him SQUEEL LIKE A PIG !!"

K&#65533;MB

1124. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #339

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org
Message-ID: <$opdx.339.1998@ampr.org>
Source record: 181824
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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8Q7AA, MALDIVES (Update). From an updated press release provided by Warren Hill, K7WX: The upcoming 8Q7AA DXpedition to the Republic of the Maldives by members of the Central Arizona DX Association (8Q7, Zone 22) remains on course. The team leaves from Los Angeles on January 15th, and will be active from the Indian Ocean beginning January 18th or 19th, with 24 hour operating on most bands through January 28th. They will be located on Alimatha Island in the Felidu Atoll, latitude: 03 degrees 35' N and longitude: 73 degrees 30' E. This location is also designated as IOTA AS-013. Members of the 8Q7AA DXpedition team will be as follows:
CW Team - Bruce/N6NT, Darryl/AF7O, Warren/K7WX and Steve/N7TX
SSB Team - Oscar/KP4RF, Sally/KM5EP, Rich/K7ZV, Victoria/KC7TIW, Dan/NA7DB and Paul/W8AEF
Bruce Sawyer, N6NT, will also run HF RTTY as operating time permits. Ibrahim Ahmed, 8Q7QC, will help with HF SSB and provide local assistance. There will be four stations running Yaesu FT-1000MP transceivers and Alpha amplifiers on 160 through 10-meters, including all WARC bands. Many of this team were also members of the 1996 XZ1N Myanmar operation. A concentrated effort will be made on the low bands with adequate power and antennas. Several in the group will focus on 40, 80 and 160-meters, with special attention being given to Kboth sunrise and sunset terminator openings at North America. It is understood that 8Q7 is not all that rare for European stations, but for North America, and especially on the low bands, this is a very difficult path. For this reason, many of their efforts will be directed towards working into zones 3, 4 and 5, where the need for zone 22 is still quite strong. QSLs requests for confirmation of contacts with 8Q7AA can be made by either direct, QSL bureau or E-mail routes. Cards should begin to go out within two to four weeks of their return. Direct QSLs go to: Steve Thompson, N7TX, 119 E. Jasmine St.,

Mesa, AZ 85201-1811 USA (Please enclose an SASE with adequate postage). Bureau QSLs cards should be clearly marked: 8Q7AA via N7TX. Internet Bureau QSLs can be requested by sending e-mail to: 8q7aa@cadxa.org (The SUBJECT line should read "8Q7AA QSL REQUEST", followed by the appropriate information in the body of the message.) More complete details are available at their WWW home page: http://www.cadxa.org/8q7aa
ADDED NOTE: OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete (long) press release by Warren, K7WX, as an additional bulletin.

9G, GHANA. Three Dutch opertors (PA3AWW, PA3DEW and PA3FQX) will once again activate 9G1AA, February 4-25th. Operations will be from Dormaa Hospital in Ghana. Operations will be on CW and Phone, with activity on all HF-bands, including 50 MHz. They will have a 6 meters beacon on the frequency 50.123 MHz. They will also train some local amateurs in using the Yaesu FT 920, donated by the STARS-organization, IARU region 1. The QSL Manager will be PA2FAS.

9K, KUWAIT. Bob, 9K2ZZ, is once again active from Kuwait. His stay this time will be about 1 year. It is reported that, at the moment, Bob has only a 40 meter dipole, but it is very high atop an apartment building. He will be installing a TH6DXX soon. Currently he is running a TS-930 with an AL-800H amp. His QSL Manager is trying to work out a "Battle Creek Special" on loan for 160 meters. Bob will work the WARC bands in the future and is active on CW and SSB and maybe RTTY later in year. He can be found on 40 meters CW most days between 1900 and 0200z between 7003 and 7005 kHz. Per his QSL Manager Ray, W8CNL, "At his (Bob) instructions, no bureau cards will be accepted or answered. Only S.A.S.E. or S.A.E. and postage to me direct."

9N, NEPAL. Charles, K4VUD, will be traveling here February 19th, and states he will be active as 9N1UD. He will return to the USA on March 8th. He plans to be active in two contests during the two weekends after the 19th (ed. probably the ARRL International CW DX Contest and CQ 160 Meters Phone Contest). Also, he is looking for any donations (prior to February 15th) of equipment/gear for 9N1AA. Charles's E-mail address is "harpole@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu", and his snail mail is: Charles Harpole, 3100 N. Hwy. 426, Geneva, FL 32732-9761. ADDED NOTE: While Charles is in Nepal, he will make a side trip (with NO radios) to Bhutan (A5) between the above dates.

HB0, LICHTENSTEIN. Joe, HB9LEY, will be active from here as HB0/HB9LEY next weekend. He states that he will look for North America stations between 0430 and 0630Z, and for JA and Pacific stations between 2030 and 2230Z (January 17th and 18th) on 1830 khz. QSL to JH1BSE, Masa Yamamura 2-10-6 Arai, Nakanoku Tokyo 165 Japan.

NEW OFFICIALS. The SCDXC (Southern California DX Club) has announced their newly elected board: President - Will Angenent, KN6DV; Vice President - Harvey Laidman, W8DX; Secretary - Jim Zimmerman, N6KZ; Treasurer - Charlotte Iseda, KB6FXS; Membership - Harvey Shore, K6EXO; Board members - Neil Kaltman, K6SMF; Cathy Gardenias, KF6LFB; and Larry Shapiro, K6RO.

OOOPPPSSS! There was a mistake in last week's bulletin (OPDX.338). The operator and QSL Manager mentioned under 9M8 (East Malaysia) was incorrect. Operator/QSL Manager should have been Peter, PB0ALB, and not PA0ALB. Please make the necessary changes.

QSL INFO AND NEWS....
Chuck, KG9N, operated the special event station N9N in Woodford County, Illinois, from December 28th to January 4th. He states that he made about 1800 QSOs, mainly with Europe. QSL via KG9N.

Doug, N6RT, reports he finally received the following QSL cards from the printer: FO8DX/FO5VO/FO0BRD/FO0KEO/FO0MIT/FO0PLA/FO0SPE. Doug states these cards are for their October, 1997, operation from Bora Bora. Doug has indicated that he has already started sending out his FO0BRD cards, and will be giving the other operators their cards within the next couple of days. So, their FO QSLs should start appearing shortly. Also, he states, "Thanks for your patience!"
QSL cards for FO contacts go to:
FO8DX via KG6AR (1997 CQWW SSB ONLY) FO5VO via N6VO
FO0BRD via N6RT FO0KEO via N7CQQ
FO0MIT via W6RW FO0PLA via W8AEF
FO0SPE via KG6AR

ROUTE CHANGE. The KP3Z QSL route has been changed, and it will no longer be via WC4E but via NP3HM. Please QSL KP3Z via NP3HM direct. Also, WC4E will only handle QSLs for NP4Z.

Steve Salmon, AA6LF, has a new QSL manager. Gerry Branson, AA6BB, was Steve's QSL manager until he became a Silent Key (SK). Steve's new QSL manager is: Ron Lago - AC7DX, P.O. Box 25426, Eugene, OR 97402 U.S.A. Ron has all of the logs and cards for the following operations by Steve: AA6LF, FO0SST, ZK1XP, AA6LF/KH5 Palmyra, XE2/AA6LF/XF1 Isla Marieta, ZK1ALF, FW/AA6LF, A35SS Minerva Reef, 3D2LF, VK4ALF Great Barrier Reef, VK4ALF/VK9M Mellish Reef and VK4ALF/VK9 Ashmore Reef.

Mac, WA4FFW, reports that ALL cards received for the N4BQW/KH5 Palmyra operation have been mailed. Notice "ALL", this includes all cards received to date via any means. They were placed in the mail January 10th. This also included ALL QSLs for Chuck's other operations: N4BQW/KH6 Tern Island, N4BQW/KH7K Kure Island, N4BQW/KH4 Midway and N4BQW/KH5. Mac states, "Thanks to another Herculean effort by WJ4T, who did most of the work, and made this quick turn around possible."

TG0, GUATEMALA (Update). Jari, OH2BVE, provided OPDX with the following update to the Finnish operation to TG-land which will take place January 18th to February 5th. The Finnish team is hoping to used the callsign TG0OH, but this has yet to be comfirmed. Operators will be Toni/OH1TD, Heikki/OH3JF, Hessu/OH6XY and Raija/OH7LIX. Jari states, "Contrary to some bulletins indicating OH2NSM will be in the group, this is not true. Oliver, OH2NSM is busy building up new house/QTH for himself and his family. Therefore he cannot attend this expedition." QSL via the bureau or direct, but Jari indicates that the following addresses should be

used to QSL. For RTTY QSOs, QSL via OH6XY, Carl-Heinz Ikaheimo, Meijeritie 2 AS 28, FIN-21530 Paimio, Finland (NOTE: The address in Callbook for OH6XY is old and should not be used!) For CW/SSB QSOs, QSL via OH3JF, Heikki Tamminen, Eprantie 4, FIN-11710 Riihimaki, Finland.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS (A special callsign to be used). Look for the Caribbean Contesting Consortium (CCC) to activate the Turks and Caicos Islands from Jody Millspaugh's site (VP5JM) February 14-28th. The group plans to be a major multi-transmitter unlimited entry in the 1998 ARRL DX CW Contest. Operators will be Doug/K4LT, Dan/K8RF, Jeff/KU8E, Goose/W8AV, Tom/W8TK, Noel/W9EFL, Ken/WA9S and Geoff/W0CG. The operation will also include a support crew consisting of Lora/K8LJK, Anita/KC8BBE, Steve/N8LGP and several of the non-ham XYLs. A special callsign of VP5FXB will be used during the contest in memory of longtime FOC member and avid contester Al Slater, G3FXB (SK).("No finer gentleman ever graced the ham bands!")
Individual operators will sign use VP5/homecall outside the contest.
QSLs for VP5FXB go to W8AV either direct with an SASE containing sufficient return postage, or via the bureau. Direct cards mailed without an SASE will be answered via the bureau. All contacts will be confirmed. QSLs for the individual operators are via their respective homecalls. Look for significant post-contest publicity on the operation, including a presentation in the Contest Forum at the Dayton Hamvention in May.
The team would like to send a special thanks to Ten-Tec Corporation for support of this undertaking. Also, for more details please take a look at their WWW site at: http://asgard.kent.edu/ccc/vp5fxb/vp5fxb.htm
The CCC crew is presently searching for additional operators to participate in the contest. Anyone interested should contact W0CG (ghoward@kent.edu), K4LT (k4lt@fuse.net), or W8AV (w8av@aol.com) or check the WWW site (above) for more info.

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1125. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B91FCE.AACEB8C5@flash.net>
Source record: 181825

CBRambo wrote:

> This is precisely what is wrong with amateur radio in general, and the Morse
> requirement in particular: it IS operated much like a "country club" with Morse
> code being the equivalent of the "secret handshake" or other initiation ritual.
>
> There is no legal right for these sorts of things to exist where publicly-owned
> radio frequencies are involved and a license issued by the government is
> required in order to participate.

Baloney, anyone wanting a license can go to Radio Shack, buy Gordo's book, study it, take a test and use our amateur radio frequencies. No secret handshakes or initiations. And certainly no code.

Now, if you want to join a local club, thats another story, if it's a QRP/Builders Club I don't think it's unresonable for them to ask you to at least have an INTEREST in learning how to build and operate QRP do you? I mean if a guys shows up at this particular club and says "Hey I'm an appliance operator and thats all I ever want to be" do you think its wrong that no one has much interest in talking to him?

As far as legal rights, I have have no idea what the hell your talking about. No one is forcing anyone to join amateur radio, learn morse code or otherwise. If I have a ham radio club I can make the rules whatever I want excluding discrimination for sex, age, religious preferences etc. If you don't like the rules, you simply don't join, or even better yet, start your own club!

Tim, ka8ddz

1126. Re: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Miles <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Message-ID: <34B90895.631@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Source record: 181826
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Lumpy - ABï¿½GD wrote:
>
> ...re: the suggestion to argue via email & not the NG's...
>
> My vote -
>
> Leave the arguement in. Don't take it to email.
> I love reading Carl's opinions.

I'm sure you'd love them just as much if they were posted somewhere
besides rec.radio.amateur.homebrew.

-- jm (followups trimmed, get the hint?)

Note: My E-mail address has been altered to avoid spam

1127. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34B95351.3BD@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwight Stewart wrote:
> I was not aware that any of us were arguing, Cecil. People can have
> different opinions, and discuss those different opinions, without
> arguing.

"The term 'argument' refers to the basic unit of reasoning, and we
define
it as 'a unit of discourse in which beliefs are supported by reasons'."
"Logic, An Introduction" by Lionel Ruby, ï¿½1950, J.B.Lippincott Co.

So you see, Curtis, you guys were arguing whether you realized it or
not.
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1128. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B94C14.7580@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181828
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
Moreover, Pro-CWers
> on HF aren't active for helping the people out. Well, they don't
> have VHF rigs (which are mainly used for emergency purposes) so they
> can't do anything about it.
>
>Sorry, Cute Stuff, I was working VHF long before you were born. Another gem from your genuis.

Dick W0EX

1129. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ylshih@alumni.caltech.edu
Message-ID: <69bhm3$hev@gap.cco.caltech.edu>
Source record: 181829

In article <34b918d4.272365908@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
>What we need are amateurs who can prove that they have retained the
>knowledge and skills the government considers necessary for them to
>have in order to be radio amateurs. What they do with that knowledge
>is up to them. If they want to call their wives, they can. If they want to
>chase Dx, they can. And if they want to fullfill the charter purposes of
>the amateur service, they can do that too. We can't force them to be
>technical innovators or hotshot operators. All we can force them to do
>is to prove that they meet the requirements the government considers
>necessary in order to hold an amateur radio license.
>
>This seems so obvious and reasonable, I can't see how anyone could
>oppose it. That is unless they think the exams cover things which are
>*not* necessary for one to know to competently hold an amateur radio
>license. In that case, I'd expect an outcry to have the exams revised
>(for everyone) to cover only what really is necessary knowledge.

People's opinion on this issue would seem to depend on whether they
feel the ARS licensing tests are gateways to be passed through or
competency standards to be met. If it's only a gateway, then there
is not much reason to retest, but then the content of the tests is
also much more subjective and arbitrary. After all, it it is OK to
forget the material after you've passed the test, then why was it
really necessary to test for A versus B? On the other hand, if they
are competency standards, then it does matter specifically what A
and/or B are and they should be relevant to the stated purpose of
the ARS.

Someone else mentioned college exams and flight tests as examples
of tests they would not want to take over again.

In the case of college exams though, there are really two kinds of
exams. Those in your field of competency and those outside. I was
required to pass both to get a degree, but the purpose of the
non-technical courses was to ensure that I was a well rounded
person versus any specific certification of competency, so I had
relatively wide choice of what courses I could take in this category
and no one has ever asked me or cared which ones I took. On the
other hand the choice of technical courses was more constrained
and a hard core of subject content was required. Even though I
don't have to take re-tests of these technical courses, in actual
practice, I am re-tested just about every day on my knowledge as
employers and clients judge me constantly on my professional
expertise.

In the case of flight tests, it should be pointed out that retesting *is* in place. For all pilots a Bi-annual Flight Review or BFR is required which is about equivalent to the first checkride. In a strict sense it is not a test in that you can't "fail" it and get your license pulled. In a practical sense it is, because your license is no use without a current signoff certifying you for flight which a CFI won't give if you need remedial instruction. Also those with instrument flight privileges must have logged sufficient flight experience every 6 months or else undergo an Instrument Proficiency Check flight test to regain those extra privileges. Airline and commercial pilots are generally given a checkride by company checkpilots every 6 months, regardless of FAA regs, pretty much as standard industry policy.

So I would guess that those that look at their ham activities mostly as recreational are unlikely to think much of retesting; while those who see it as a "spectrum for public service" quid pro quo are more likely to support retesting. In any case, I doubt that a frequency of every year is necessary, every 5-10 years (about what most state DMVs ask for if they have a re-test policy) would be sufficient to ensure that basic competency is met as there are few cases in amateur radio where 2nd or 3rd party life and limb are at risk as with driving or flying.

One last point, it has been stated that many hams couldn't pass a retest. If true, I think this is largely because the system doesn't require a retest and so tolerates a "learn-and-forget" attitude. A system which publicly and loudly reminds licensees that they will be retested would see the same people who passed the first time pass again - after all the capabilities to pass the test (whether it is test-gaming or actual knowledge) were demonstrated before. The only difference is that those who didn't find much use for the license the first time through would be more likely to just let the license expire versus going through the trouble of boning up again. Contrast that to today, where sending in some paperwork and a few bucks is easy enough that many will do it just to have the privileges available even if they haven't been using them much.

Yin Shih, N9YS/6, PP-ASEL-IA, M20K
ylshih@alumni.caltech.edu

1130. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Repstad <rcc@together.net>
Message-ID: <34B9500E.B67C9C6F@together.net>
Source record: 181830
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

hmm... an awfull lot of protesting and generalization here... it is just as bad to chastise an entire group (i.e. old farts"... as it is for one of them to chastize a newbie for asking a "stupid" questions (the only stupid question is the one that doesn't get asked). Perhaps, you should consider treating everyone as an individual... After all, they are individuals. All the message below will do is create animosity, and further the "arrogant young twit" stereotype.

Hey.. lighten up... :)

Tom
KB1CGA

gambino wrote:

> Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
> Radio in general is stale because of these , pardon my jargon, Old Farts & Know it
> alls.
> When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic enthusiast &
> wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest degree
> (still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
> I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other "younger
> generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know code, or say
> 73's, etc...
> Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you would think,
> every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people, many of
> which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams, simply
> because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was constantly
> harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more experienced"
> guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop. Mind you, I
> was only 25.
> I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run closed
> repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think simply cuz
> I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the same time I
> was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to answer tech
> questions on related topics...
> It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know everything & feel
> bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...
> I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area , Ca.), bunch
> of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are all part
> of the same "old boys club"...
> Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own, but why
> work around assholes I can't stand?
> I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the salary, and
> I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still have ties

> to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I have a truck
> fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that doesn't make a
> better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these old
> assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or debate
> it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am willing to
> spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe me I
> learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share them..
> Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
> Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....
> You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
> It's alright dano, I'm on your side.
>
> DANO wrote:
>
> > as someone making my way into the word of ham radio, i've noticed a common
> > thread betweem the type of people involved in club's,ng's, and even the
> > crowd at hamfest's.
> > when a conversation is started by a newbie asking a question about
> > anything, the initial question gets lost in the disagreement over a phrase
> > or misquote that some "know - it - all" has to throw in. of course the
> > person, who is asking the the question, gets forgotten about cause the rest
> > of the answer from some person walking by is then debated for the rest of
> > the day.
> > HMMMM. seems to me that anyone under 55 yrs old is more interested in
> > "knowing more" than the guy next to him, and i find these rocket scientist
> > to be more anoying than helpful.
> > if everyone was as interested in furthering their "knowledge base" and
> > help the less experienced operators further their's, nobody would have to
> > worry about the loss of ham bands to others.
> >
> > to prove my point, i ask all of you to scan the postings of this
> > group and see how many legit questions asking for help or opinions on
> > equipment are responded to.
> > then look at all the general comments and debates posted with their
> > responces.
> > in one day i saw a ratio of 10:1 in favor of the debates.
> >
> > IN THE 1960'S JFK SAID " ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK
> > WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY"
> >
> > i'm 34, never learned that quote from school, but i practice it every day.
> > anyone else care to give it a try. we just might save ham radio for our
> > children
> >
> > DAN0

1131. FS: Yaesu FT901DM HF Rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc2bcg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111234000.SAA18124@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181831

I have a Yaesu Model FT901DM HF rig for sale that has 10 -160 coverage and is
all mode. Asking $400 and I will pay shipping to the lower 48 States.
Contact me at KC2BCG@aol.com
Thanks'
KC2BCG
George
George
KC2BCG
Email - KC2BCG@aol.com
Smile, your on candid camera!

1132. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111234100.SAA18352@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181832

In article <34B919D6.EF1E14EE@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>How much fun will it be to have to 'fake' a call or finally meet a
group of
>guys he has somthing in common with but has to lie like a
>spineless
freebander because he cant tell anyone his real QTH or name. Yep
>sounds like loads
of fun to me...I wish him well.

Guess you've never heard of all the freebander clubs, some with hundreds of members worldwide. Their club rosters tend to be quite "open" with regards to members' names and addresses. Aprils, Alpha-Tangos, Charlie-Oscars, Trans-Americas, etc.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1133. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111234101.SAA08873@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181833

In article <19980111220400.RAA02622@ladder01.news.aol.com>, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) writes:

>>I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when
>traveling,
>but very rarely hear any activity on either one.

Folks recognize
>your car, that's why nobody talks to you.

Didn't say that I talk, only that I listen. Hence, the term "scanning."

Duh.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1134. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111234100.SAA18359@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181834

In article <34B91FCE.AACEB8C5@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>Baloney, anyone wanting a license can go to Radio Shack, buy Gordo's book,
>study
it, take a test and use our amateur radio frequencies. No secret
>handshakes or
initiations. And certainly no code.

That's strange. I thought 90+% of the debate on this newsgroup revolved around the fact that Morse proficiency is still required in order to obtain an amateur radio license with transmitting privileges below 6 meters.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1135. ABC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chowie <mlchow@pl.jaring.my>
Message-ID: <01bd1e57$bd4bee60$dc658ea1@chowie>
Source record: 181835

I need help... and I think this is the right place.

Ham radio operator uses abbrevations like A - Alpha, B- Bravo , C-
Charlie etc until Z.
I would be very grateful if anyone out there could kindly furnish me with
the whole list, from A to Z.

Thanks a million.

Cheers!
Thomas Chow from Malaysia

1136. Re: Masa is back should be racist is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34b8762d.271659595@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181836
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 20:02:44 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>Laura Halliday wrote:
>>
>> Cutie Boy wrote:
>>
>> > Masa is back. I wasn't able to use my computer and connect the
>> > internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
>> >
>> > (who cares anyway ?)
>>

this guy is a racist that likes to provoke whoever he can

1137. Re: CARL Exposed - The REAL Agenda

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34B8A38C.ECC@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 181837
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

...re: the suggestion to argue via email & not the NG's...

My vote -

Leave the arguement in. Don't take it to email.
I love reading Carl's opinions. He's like a
skin head or a bible fundamentalist preaching
on the street corner. Better than watching the
comedy channel. I can just picture the sweaty,
Jimmy Swaggart like, armpits as he composes
new messages. Perhaps, like the fallen Rev
Swaggart, we'll find Carl in the back room some
day, tapping out cw.

I'd like to hear just what it is that Carl wants
to do on the 'code restricted bands' that he
can't do now because of the big, bad impossible
code.

I'm pro code. I NEVER use code. I'm proud to say
I know code. A lot prouder than I am to say that
I knew the answers to some theory questions about
monostable flip flops. That one just doesn't seem
to attract the girls as much as Morse code.

Lumpy
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

1138. Re: 90s vocabulary

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34B8A63D.657B@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 181838

J. Herman wrote:
>
> Hey MD, make sure you practice safe interface - we don't want you getting
> acne...
>
I thought you only got acne if you solofaced?

Lumpy
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

1139. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: gambino <da_gambino@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <34B892D7.931A4F87@yahoo.com>
Source record: 181839
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
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When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic enthusiast & wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest degree (still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other "younger generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know code, or say 73's, etc...
Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you would think, every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people, many of which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams, simply because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was constantly harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more experienced" guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop. Mind you, I was only 25.
I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run closed repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think simply cuz I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the same time I was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to answer tech questions on related topics...
It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know everything & feel bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...
I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area , Ca.), bunch of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are all part of the same "old boys club"...
Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own, but why work around assholes I can't stand?
I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the salary, and I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still have ties to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I have a truck fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that doesn't make a better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these old assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or debate it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am willing to spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe me I learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share them..
Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....
You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
It's alright dano, I'm on your side.

DANO wrote:

> as someone making my way into the word of ham radio, i've noticed a common
> thread betweem the type of people involved in club's,ng's, and even the
> crowd at hamfest's.
> when a conversation is started by a newbie asking a question about
> anything, the initial question gets lost in the disagreement over a phrase
> or misquote that some "know - it - all" has to throw in. of course the
> person, who is asking the the question, gets forgotten about cause the rest
> of the answer from some person walking by is then debated for the rest of
> the day.
> HMMMM. seems to me that anyone under 55 yrs old is more interested in
> "knowing more" than the guy next to him, and i find these rocket scientist
> to be more anoying than helpful.
> if everyone was as interested in furthering their "knowledge base" and
> help the less experienced operators further their's, nobody would have to
> worry about the loss of ham bands to others.
>
> to prove my point, i ask all of you to scan the postings of this
> group and see how many legit questions asking for help or opinions on
> equipment are responded to.
> then look at all the general comments and debates posted with their
> responces.
> in one day i saw a ratio of 10:1 in favor of the debates.
>
> IN THE 1960'S JFK SAID " ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK
> WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY"
>
> i'm 34, never learned that quote from school, but i practice it every day.
> anyone else care to give it a try. we just might save ham radio for our
> children
>
> DAN0

1140. WTB W1FB QRP notebook 1st edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Willie McBurney <WMcBur@netcomuk.co.uk>
Message-ID: <34B8BD42.61C54465@netcomuk.co.uk>
Source record: 181840

Hi there
I'm looking for the 1st edition of the QRP note book by W1FB
This is the one with the blue cover,I allready got the 2nd edition with
the orange cover
If you have this for sale or if you know where I can get it please Email
me at the address below
Thanks in advance
Willie GM0TTY.
WMcBur@netcomuk.co.uk

1141. What do you think about this repeater?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111131601.IAA24793@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181841

I have the opportunity to purchase a split site repeater system which includes
the following...
GE MVP
Package consists of two separate units.
VHF Receive & Transmit units link via UHF.
VHF Tx 25+ watts - UHF Tx 20+ watts
VHF uplink & downlink transceivers
Crystal elements
Microphone & Speaker
Both units have PL tone boards
Full printed documentation of conversion

...well? Is this a good buy for $200?

thanks for your suggestions, comments, and opinions.

-Jeremy
KF4RTY

1142. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: la8ak@no.spam
Message-ID: <34b8b605.1730357@news.online.no>
Source record: 181842
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Michell!
It may look like you are posting a reply to me.....
My intention was just to reply to another post.
Personally, I like CW operation, and I operate several contests using cw mode on HF and VHF every year. CW activity seems to have increased in this part of the world during the 32 years I have been licensed, the CW sections of HF as well as VHF/UHF bands are often rather crowded.
Some friends like to operate cw because QSO's are simple, you don't have to make long talks when you have nothing to say, this in contrast to the rather boring QSO's heard on repeaters, so I decided only to operate cw/ssb except from fm packet radio (no speaker on my 2m FM rig).
We often find the American/ARRL policy to threaten amateur radio elsewhere, and it was not too many years ago you wanted to remove the 10m beacon band. There are several important beacons meaning a lot for amateurs around the world, but packet radio seems more imprtant to ARRL?
I sometimes wonder who is ARRL, we see a lot of directors and subdirectors, what sort of amateur radio organizations it this?
In most parts of the world amateur radio organizations seems to operate from very much people who work for something they believe in, not to make money.

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1143. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B8BBA6.77C7@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181843
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote...
>
> Clearly you have not tuned around the HF bands and conducted your
> own personal survey of activity of the different modes operating
> there.

No, I haven't Richard. I don't need surveys to see the slow trend away from Morse and towards other operating modes (in the other radio bands, and in the Amateur bands).

And, like I said before, I don't doubt that CW will be around in the Amateur bands for many years to come (as it should). I'm certainly not trying to kill code, only the code requirement for the license test.

> You'll find several times more CW stations than packet, ...

If you add the VHF/UHF bands (also Amateur bands), the digital modes are quickly catching up to CW in popularity (if digital has not already caught up).

When you add the non-Amateur bands, CW is quickly left in the dust. We cannot ignore what is happening in the other radio bands when talking about Amateur radio. What happens in those bands will almost certainly eventually affect the Amateur bands also.

> ... and if you had ever operated HF packet you would know that it
> is not dependable because of lack of noise immunity.

The military routinely uses digital modes in the HF bands - with complete reliability. The digital modes used in the Amateur bands will eventually advance to that level also (or will be replaced with more reliable digital modes).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1144. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B8B6A3.3354@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181844
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> "N4ST" <jprice@crosslink.net> wrote...
>
> Betcha that 25 years from now, there will be no packet stations on
> the air and very few people will even remember what it was. Betcha
> that CW will still be going strong.

REPLY...

I said that digital modes are the future, and used packet as one example.

I don't doubt that CW will be around for a long time to come (indeed, I have said so in other messages). But, as digital modes become more advanced, and more reliable, they will play even a greater role in the future (perhaps even greater than CW one day).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1145. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B8BDED.2304@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181845
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote...
>
> You guys are arguing over whether chocolate or strawberry ice cream
> is the best. Why can we all just live and let live? Neither one of
> you can force the other to like your favorite mode.

REPLY...

I was not aware that any of us were arguing, Cecil. People can have different opinions, and discuss those different opinions, without arguing.

And I don't think anybody was arguing that one mode, or another, is best - only that a certain mode is more popular in certain situations.

And nobody is trying to force anybody to do anything. We were discussing the morse code test requirement and got off on this side topic along the way.

Perhaps you are reading too much in the messages posted - I don't think anybody is losing sleep over this discussion.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1146. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B8C5FD.1912@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181846
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

> michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote...
>
> Although I realize this is as much an emotional issue as a technical
> one, I think you are missing the point here.
>
> Nobody would argue that CW was first, nor that it should not be
> allowed anywhere on the bands... this is how it should be and I
> personally have benefitted from this at times. During the 43 years
> I have been licensed I have done my share of brass pounding and have
> enjoyed it.
>
> The problem is IMHO, the requirement of CW profficiency is
> strangling the hobby and as each older 'CW capable' ham becomes a
> Silent Key, the ranks grow thinner.

REPLY...

Welcome to the debate, Michelle. I won't comment heavily on what you said, because I agree with almost everything. I just wanted you to know you are welcome, and look forward to your comments in the future.

Having said all that, I will disagree with one aspect of your message - your rather pessimistic view of the hobby. I think Amateur radio can be healthy again.

The use of radio is growing strongly in America. This is certain to attract new people to Amateur radio. But, whether they see it as a way to learn an interesting technology, or a way to increase possible job opportunities (learning radio skills), people today are more interested in the technical aspects of radio, rather than more "archaic" aspects like Morse code (simply because they don't see it used elsewhere).

The technician license has attracted a lot of new people to Amateur radio (it is the fastest growing license class). If the code requirement was also dropped from some of the other license classes, I think Amateur radio would see a resurgence like it has not seen in a great many years. I even think that the number of people using code would eventually increase (more people, more possible code users).

So, I have a little more optimistic view of the future of Amateur radio (perhaps because I want to see it continue so badly). Like you, I think dropping the code test requirement is one way to insure that.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1147. noise from diode...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: ve2hq@globetrotter.qc.ca
Message-ID: <884525877.990969866@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181847

anybody can help with noise generated by diode in the icom 761 switching power supply?

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1148. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69aip2$1gq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181848

In article <34e53f95.30269850@news.cyberhighway.net>,
Glen Quarnstrom <address@sig> wrote:

>For that matter, I will bet you a weeks pay that even on 2 meters, the
>total ham allocation is busy less than 20 percent of the total time in
>any given week, in your area.

Well, let's see....

Since the average person works days, it is extremely likely that s/he will not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on the radio from 11pm-7am, when most people are sleeping.

So, other than a small sliver of time early in the morning during the commute, and the afternoon commute, and "after dinner" hours, there isn't much time for people to operate during the week. Of the remaining 8 hours in the day less work/sleep, one would have to be on 4 hours/day to meet the 20% estimate you put forth.

>Where is it written that every ham has to have an FM repeater on two
>meters, anyway? Why aren't hams pioneering trunking, or other
>techniques to expedite usage of the crowded two meter band there?

No commercial gear, and nobody knows how to build it anymore. What good is a repeater that, even if people did have the technical knowledge to build it, would effectively be used by nobody?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1149. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8db39.5559903@news.total.net>
Source record: 181849
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 04:59:18 GMT, tweek@netcom-NO.SPAM-com (Reverend Tweek) wrote:

>>Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>>and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.

>And the thing which pisses you off, is that you can only hear one
>side of the conversation. ;-)

>147.06 / 3 = 49.02

>49.02 is the handset frequency of a cordless telephone pair.

I hear both sides "fortunately" ;-)

>Looks like a harmonic rather than an IF image, which puts the problem
>in her ball court.

>>Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>>using it ?

>You can request your neighbor to avoid that channel... since she
>obviously has one of the 25 channel phones which can change channels.

she changes the channels, but then she appears in different repeater
freq (2m repeaters are packed in and around montreal area).
what can I do ?? ;-)

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1150. Re: Masa is back should be racist is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8de25.6308691@news.total.net>
Source record: 181850
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 07:35:43 GMT, kd5amz@flash.net (why don't you look it up) wrote:

>On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 20:02:44 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>>Laura Halliday wrote:
>>> Cutie Boy wrote:
>>> > Masa is back. I wasn't able to use my computer and connect the
>>> > internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
>>> > (who cares anyway ?)

>this guy is a racist that likes to provoke whoever he can

I know lots of people who criticize me due to not being blonde anglophone, but I don't realize I did similar thing to some other people. give me an example please.

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1151. Re: Masa-Whats your game?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8dd6d.6124677@news.total.net>
Source record: 181851

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 00:28:26 GMT, gary.mckelvie@zetnet.co.uk (Gary McKelvie) wrote:

>Masa seems to have discovered a new pastime on the net (other than
>trolling this nesgroup<G>).He now seems to be into cyberstalking
>recently i have had some pretty pathetic messages from this individual

>(the latest is about some snow storms in Canada).

it is NOT "some" snow storms. it is a very strong ice storm.
trees are falling down and towers are falling down.

>Masa you now have not only been in my olr's killfile bit now my icq
>one as well.
>For heavens sake GROW UP MASA.
>Gary GM7USC

if you don't believe I am located in Montreal, that's fine. ignore
us. lights are out and phones are out, but it's getting ok, but
very slowly.

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1152. *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8deac.6443292@news.total.net>
Source record: 181852
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
for emergency purposes.
Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
on 2m repeaters... not on HFs.
I see no CWer(pro-coder) who is active to help others out on 2m freqs.
too bad. well, they have no VHF rigs anyway. they can't do anything
about it. yeah, you are right.
CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
about it again.

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1153. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b8e243.7362403@news.total.net>
Source record: 181853
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 20:02:44 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>Laura, I had an idea for emergency comms. Since many computers generate
>RFI, M@S@ could switch his on and off in order to generate a new mode
>using morse code. It will be called Interrupted Continuous Wave
>Computer Generated Radio Frequency Interference (ICWCGRFI for short).
>Anyone within 20 feet should be able to copy.
>If only the computer manufacturers would have given us a key jack
>instead an on-off switch.
>Sayonara,
>Brian/N0iMD

that's why CW is useless. (?)
I have the internet access in my place and I don't have any problems
with connecting it at this moment.

anyhow, no one is using CW to pass the information out for emergency
purposes at this time... in my area. So please don't talk bout CW
for emergency purposes anymore. This crisis proved that CW would not
be a good mode nor way in emergency situation. Moreover, Pro-CWers
on HF aren't active for helping the people out. Well, they don't
have VHF rigs (which are mainly used for emergency purposes) so they
can't do anything about it.

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1154. Shortwave Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris Liptak <liptak@widomaker.com>
Message-ID: <34B8E4C3.20B1CBC3@widomaker.com>
Source record: 181854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I've got a question about shortwave bands. I am going to be moving to Rome, Italy next year and wanted to take along a shortwave radio so I could catch the English language BBC and U.S. NPR shortwave broadcasts. Problem is, I don't know what bands they broadcast in. Can anyone tell me what I should be looking for?

I'll also take recommendations on equipment.

Here's what I've pulled up so far on some Grundigs --

Grundig 960 - Covers AM, FM and SW from 3.2 - 21.75 MHz
Traveler II - Covers AM, FM and SW from 2.3-7.4 and 9.4-26.1 MHz
Yatch Boy - Receives shortwave frequencies from 2.30-7.4 MHz and 9.4-26.1 MHz

Thanks.

Chris Liptak
Williamsburg, Virginia, USA

1155. Re: ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: al7dl@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111151700.KAA04970@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181855

>Hi Keith,
>At the risk of sounding like one of the *self policing ego maniacs*, I
>have to ask; is it a good idea to admit to using amateur equiptment on
>commercial bands.
>Just an observation.

In the same vein, I wouldn't want to admit using non-type accepted equipment on commercial frequencies... This is why the FCC is currently considering requiring amateur equipment to be restricted to amateur bands only.

Bryce, K1GAX (ex AL7DL)

1156. Help! TS-820/VFO-820

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: luecknik@world-net.net
Message-ID: <34b8d1f8.8919886@news.world-net.net>
Source record: 181856

Just bought this unit at the San Antonio Ham-Fest yesterday, and I
can't get the remote VFO to function properly.
With a shorting plug in the TS-820, and the Function switch on VFO,
everything works good. The VFO LED lights, the digital display lights,
and rig receives good.
Removed the plug and installed the VFO cable and unit. The VFO and
TS-820 light up - - - but that is it. Just background noise. I put
the TS-820 Function switch on VFO.R, and the VFO Function on REC. No
LEDs lit, no digital display, no action at all. Just 2 units lit up. .
Am I missing a strap, or procedure?. Thanks for listening. James
W5LWU

1157. ICOM 756 Accessories Availability Stinks

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: jackwy@clark.net
Message-ID: <69aomk$ioe@clarknet.clark.net>
Source record: 181857

On November 15 I purchase an Icom 756 and at the same time ordered a SSB filter for it. It is now almost 2 months later and still no filter. Contacts with my dealer only result in; "Icom says they are back ordered". What a way to run a company. Produce a product but don't have the accessories available for it when you do. For all you thinking of buying Icom; caveat emptor.

John WB3ICL

1158. Re: GE Rnager/Delta programmer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Clifford W. Owen" <n3yyp@radix.net.No.Spam>
Message-ID: <69aoe0$6le$1@news1.radix.net>
Source record: 181858
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Same here, looking for software to program a GE Delta S Low Band.

Clifford W. Owen
N3YYP
n3yyp@radix.net.No.Spam (remove .No.Spam to reply)

AA7UJ wrote in message <19980108192200.OAA20322@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>I am looking for a GE programmer for the Ranger and Delta series radios.
>
>If you have one for sale or information on how I can program these radios
>please contact :
>
>John Schurman 425-822-9197
>or email
>aa7uj@aol.com

1159. FYI: 80+ News Groups 4 Ham, Computer, Electronics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34B8E9E0.48DE@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181859

Would u believe there are more than 80 news groups related to Hams, Computers, and Electronics ???? As well as the Master List Of News Groups - Hierarchical Newsgroup List ??

See URL:
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/page9.html#N

Also featured are:
DX NEWS
DX NEWS & REFLECTOR ARCHIVES
HAM RADIO NEWS LETTERS
HAM RADIO BROADCAST SHOW
VHF NEWS LETTERS
EMERGENCY NEWS
HAM CLASSIFIED PAGES
MAILING LISTS

73
Rod in San Diego

AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

1160. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34B8F4FE.52AB@ibm.net>
Source record: 181860
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy wrote:
> she changes the channels, but then she appears in different repeater
> freq (2m repeaters are packed in and around montreal area).
> what can I do ?? ;-)

Tell her that, given your scanning needs, it is impossible for
you to avoid hearing *everything* she says on the phone.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1161. Misc/strange FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <69aqh1$k8b$1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 181861

1. 750TL (TH?) transmitting tube. BIG hugger in suspension/shipping jig
2. Crystals: scanner, FT243 (this the number?), VHF Eng tx xtals, calibrator xtals (1 Mhz, 10 Mhz, etc) Need a crystal --- let me know. I'll dig thru 'em.
3. Coil stock: was packed away for thirty years! AirDux and B & W: mostly smaller coil stock, let me know your needs: mfgr part number preferably or diameter, tpi, length.
4. J-45 Leg key --- Used this "clip-on" telegraph key to run HF mobile CW years ago.... yup, MOBILE CW. Is it worth anything to one of you out there?
5. AA battery magazine for GE "PE" portable - - - new, never used. (Fill w/AA's for emerg use)
6. Kantronics unit with software. email if interested
7. Some older books: ARRL, Bill Orr, etc
8. "Perpetual Troubleshooter's Manual" by John Rider, volume XIV, copyright 1944, from Int'l Correspondence Schools Schematics and alignment procedures for:
Air King, Allied, Belmont, Crosley, Detrola, Echophone, Emerson, Espey, Farnsworth, more!
Three-inch-thick binder filled with 50+ year old information! Best offer over $150.

email to < blueis@sprintmail.com > if you see something on this list that interests you.

1162. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69am04$1n1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181862
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34B8BBA6.77C7@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

>I don't need surveys to see the slow trend
>away from Morse and towards other operating modes (in the other radio
>bands, and in the Amateur bands).

This sounds like one of those "FACTS?!?! I DON'T NEED NO STINKIN' FACTS!"
comments.

With alternate modes popping up right and left, the percentage of CW
use is down, but I believe that more people are using CW today than ever
before. For instance, recently an ARRL survey claimed that 27% of licensed
amateurs use CW on a regular basis.

> And, like I said before, I don't doubt that CW will be around in the
>Amateur bands for many years to come (as it should). I'm certainly not
>trying to kill code, only the code requirement for the license test.

You might not be, but other people here are.

> If you add the VHF/UHF bands (also Amateur bands), the digital modes
>are quickly catching up to CW in popularity (if digital has not already
>caught up).

There is no reason to add the VHF bands, CW operation is very rare there

> When you add the non-Amateur bands, CW is quickly left in the dust.

Why would we add the non-amateur bands. We're talking about AMATEUR radio.
What taxi-drivers in NYC use to get dispatch calls is irrelevant. Other
services have different charters.

>We cannot ignore what is happening in the other radio bands when talking
>about Amateur radio. What happens in those bands will almost certainly
>eventually affect the Amateur bands also.

About the only effects "happenings" in other bands will have on amateur
radio are 1) we may see some technology adapted into ham equipment, and
2) growth of alternative services will place a demand on our frequencies.

> The military routinely uses digital modes in the HF bands - with
>complete reliability.

Could be, but I doubt a "miltary TNC" costs $300.

MD
--

-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1163. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B8F185.5B74@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181863
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>
> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
> using it ?
>
> It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
> for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
>

You may be receiving the cordless phone as a mixing product of other
radio equipent in use slose by, either your own or that of neighbors.

Several years ago I once got a phone call telling me that I was
transmitting on a 170? mhz forestry frequency (I don't remember the
exact frequencies) while I was working 2meter FM. Monitoring that
frequency at my QTH revealed no hint of RF being radiated on that
frequency. The caller was a very experienced radio technician
(non-ham), and while talking to him about the source, I learned that he
was running 2 scanners in his house at the same time, and and could hear
me on the 170? mhz freq on either scanner. Spending a few minutes with a
calculator, I found that his scanner IF frequenies were mixing with my 2
meter freq and producing the signal he was hearing on 170? mHz. I
called him back and asked him to turn off one scanner and listen again,
and when he did *nothing* was heard of my signal on 174 mHz.
These things do happen. Try turning off any radio/tv/electronic
eqiupment under your control, while the cordless phone is working to see
if the cordless signal disappears.
I wouldn't complain to the neighbor under any circumstance, he/she
would not understand and you would likely be suspected of deliberatley
monitoring their phone calls.
If nothing else works, you will have to lock out the offending channel
on your scanner.

Dick W0EX

1164. Re: Shortwave Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B8D517.44A4750A@flash.net>
Source record: 181864
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Chris Liptak wrote:

> I've got a question about shortwave bands. I am going to be moving to
> Rome, Italy next year and wanted to take along a shortwave radio so I
> could catch the English language BBC and U.S. NPR shortwave broadcasts.
> Problem is, I don't know what bands they broadcast in. Can anyone tell
> me what I should be looking for?
>
> I'll also take recommendations on equipment.
>
> Here's what I've pulled up so far on some Grundigs --
>
> Grundig 960 - Covers AM, FM and SW from 3.2 - 21.75 MHz
> Traveler II - Covers AM, FM and SW from 2.3-7.4 and 9.4-26.1 MHz
> Yatch Boy - Receives shortwave frequencies from 2.30-7.4 MHz and
> 9.4-26.1 MHz

Chris any of these will work just fine, all you need to do is do a web search for shortwave, there are hundreds of web sites that have current program shedules etc.

1165. help gp300

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "kevin.kelsall" <kevin.kelsall@virgin.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1eb1$6135c380$LocalHost@default>
Source record: 181865

dose someone have the model definition file fot the motorola gp300 myn is
mising
e.mail kevin.kelsall@virgin.net

1166. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: crs1026@inforamp.net
Message-ID: <69atdd$ns1@news.inforamp.net>
Source record: 181866
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 04:59:18 GMT, tweek@netcom-NO.SPAM-com (Reverend Tweek) wrote:

>Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>>Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>>and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>And the thing which pisses you off, is that you can only hear one
>side of the conversation. ;-)
>147.06 / 3 = 49.02
>49.02 is the handset frequency of a cordless telephone pair.
>Looks like a harmonic rather than an IF image, which puts the problem
>in her ball court.

FWIW the RF oscillators in these devices tend to work on harmonics - eg my 49 Mhz RS baby monitor uses a crystal for roughly 14 Mhz driving the RF amp on the 3rd harmonic. The cheap bandpass filters on the phone might not suppress all the unwanted emissions.

Somewhere on the botttom of her device will be a sticker stating the FCC type approval for the equipment, which probably reads "the use of this device must not create interference for anyone else" or words to that effect - so it truly is her problem. I bet if you tell her you can hear her, she'll buy a new phone quick :)

Regards
Paul Cordingley VA3MLW
Toronto Canada
Rails in Toronto

1167. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: D Stark <nf2g@ggw.org>
Message-ID: <69at76$1tde$1@node17.cwnet.frontiernet.net>
Source record: 181867
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

W6RCA wrote in message <34B8F4FE.52AB@ibm.net>...
>Cutie Boy wrote:
>> she changes the channels, but then she appears in different repeater
>> freq (2m repeaters are packed in and around montreal area).
>> what can I do ?? ;-)
>
>Tell her that, given your scanning needs, it is impossible for
>you to avoid hearing *everything* she says on the phone.
>
>73, Cecil, W6RCA

If the neighbor gets too nasty, I would complain to Industrie Canada that her consumer equipment is interfering with licensed amateur radio operators. I don't know if I.C. would respond in any similar fashion to the FCC, but it might help. Also, CRRL should be able to provide you with material on dealing with RFI.

73 de Dave, NF2G

1168. Re: ICOM 756 Accessories Availability Stinks

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1eb1$c4b9d680$0ea4cacc@dad>
Source record: 181868

That is true also of 706 ssb filters. Local HRO says 2 months backorder.

John Frank <jackwy@clark.net> wrote in article
<69aomk$ioe@clarknet.clark.net>...
>
> On November 15 I purchase an Icom 756 and at the same time
> ordered a SSB filter for it. It is now almost 2 months later and
> still no filter. Contacts with my dealer only result in; "Icom
> says they are back ordered". What a way to run a company. Produce
> a product but don't have the accessories available for it when
> you do. For all you thinking of buying Icom; caveat emptor.
>
> John WB3ICL
>
>

1169. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34bafd11.4814849@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181869

>>
>> > 6 meters would give us more range in the car on a road trip. Maybe
>> > something like 54.00 mhz FM ???
>>
>> I don't think there is a 6 meter nation-wide simplex calling
>> frequency. At least I have never heard of one. But I do agree with
>> your point about range.
>
>For fm 6 meters its 52.525
>For am 6 meters its 50.400
>for ssb 6 meters its 50.200

for 6m SSB I thought it was 50.125 ... did it change?
>
>

1170. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34bbfdcd.5002668@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181870

>The 906.5 and 1294 freq are in questions....not much is settled
>above 440 Mhz as for national bandplans..in some area, 903 or
>some 902 freq is used for FM calling..its somewhat regional above
>900 Mhz (regardless of what the ARRL says in the rptr directory)
>
>Chris
>WB5ITT

National bandplans are just gentlemen's agreements (that are like the computer licenses) ... we the users don't have anything to say about them ... just the ARRL which thank god does NOT have any legal authority in the matter. It (ARRL) is a private corporation not a governmental body.

1171. Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111172200.MAA18831@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181871

In article <34B811F7.3B6B0E6F@flash.net>, Gary Danaher <gdanaher@flash.net>
writes:

>Aside from the fact that a TS830 can not be modified to listen to or
transmit
>on 11 meters

Great. That settles the issue. Why didn't you RADIO COPS just tell him that
in the first place, rather than carry on like a bunch of playground
tattle-tales about how TERRIBLE it would be to even THINK of running this radio
on 27Mhz?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1172. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111172200.MAA20657@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181872

In article <699bpi$70h$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>As you wish.

BTW, I stumbled on these quite by accident while searching for
>one of you other
contradictions.

-cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
-Date:
>1997/12/11
-
->BTW, I live in Wichita and it's the biggest 'small town' I've
>ever >seen
-
-Too many blacks and Mexicans, though.
-
-"Where's that big 'ol
>CB RAMBO??"
- "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
-
-cbrambo@aol.com
>(CBRambo)
-Date: 1997/12/13
-
-
- >> Too many blacks and Mexicans,
>though.
- >>
- >
- > Too many idiot rednecks.
-
-
- Too many sympathizers of
>blacks and Mexicans (read: criminals)
-
- "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
-
>"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You would have made a good little German in
>1940.

Question for Tommy: how does this (as you have claimed) show that I either currently live in Kansas and/or have previously lived in Florida?

Note for those who are having a tough time following the quotations: "CB RAMBO" is quoted as sending the lines prefaced by "-". The other party sent the ">" lines. Thus, "CB RAMBO" did NOT send the "I live in Wichita" line.

What's your answer, Tommy?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1173. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111172200.MAA20663@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181873

In article <34B79AD1.633A96C3@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> Okay...so I'll ask you again. As an amateur operator, with
>your own interests
> in mind, would you rather he do his freebanding with a
>TS-830 or with a
> modified CB which would then be attatched to a cheap,
>dirty linear to make it
> equivalent in output to the 830. Which one of
>these scenarios would cause the
> most harm to YOUR operations if you
>happened to live in his neighborhood?

You seem to be hung up on this lesser
>of two evils train of thought.

Yes, because this is REALITY. The REAL WORLD here...not the world as you would like it to be, according to some RADIO COP handbook.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1174. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34bcfeda.5271734@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181874

>EVEN SSB on a band edge is illegal...you would never operate SSB
>exactly on 4.0 Mhz (top end of 75).....ALL of your bandwidth MUST
>be inside the band....SSB is 3 Khz wide....besides there is no
>SSB at the top of 6 that I know of

.....and calling channels for
>FM have been around for DECADES!!! You obviously have not been
>on the VHF UHF bands for long (Im beginning to wonder if your
>call is bogus......or new vanity at least!)...Get a copy of the
>FCC RULE BOOK by ARRL....though it is not 100% correct in bandplans,
>its the best out there now....and explains it in easy to read English.
>
>Chris
>WB5ITT
>(since 1973)

Yes my call is a vanity callsign, what is your point? Most of the members of one of my ham clubs now have vanity callsigns.

You might be confusing 'bandplans' by the ARRL (non binding/no legal status) with Part 97 (law) which are. I just used 50.125 mhz for 6m SSB when I was a Technician and on 6m, never heard any 6m FM stations here in Atlanta.

Les
W4SCO
Extra Class
ARRL member
AMSAT member

1175. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34be00bc.5754244@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181875

glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:

>Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
>>SCO wrote:
>>
>>> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
>>> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
>>> Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
>>> lot easier to remember.
>>
>> God I hope he's joking
>
>I don't think so. Xrist, reading some of this stuff tempts me to
>endorse Gary's idea of re-testing!

Ok, maybe 54 mhz was a bad example. Maybe it should be 50.6 (6 for 6 meters).

W4SCO

1176. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34bf0140.5885536@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181876

>I disagree completely.
>
>A decade is a long time. Rules, regulations, and technology changes.
>It is not a bad idea to require a ham renewing his license to take
>an examination on these changes, to ensure s/he is aware of all
>the new regs, etc.
>
>The only problem I see with this idea is that the examination needs
>to be a *single* exam at each license class (e.g. you don't make people
>renewing go through the cycle of 2 to 5 examinations all over again).

If you retest the hams at 13 and 20 wpm you would probably eliminate
about 75% of all hams General class and higher. Is that what you
really want to do? If code speed is important to get the license then
it would have to be on any re-test to renew that same license!!

W4SCO

1177. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34c0023f.6140935@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181877

>>
>> That might be the stated government purpose, but its too bad that the
>> existing testing system doesn't accomplish it in the least. Instead, all
>> it does is test a person's ability to commit to short-term memory the
>> knowledge needed to correctly answer. I know several people on different
>> VE teams in this state, and they all say the same thing -- people come in,
>> take the test, walk out with a license, and forget everything they
>> learned. It seems the only people who consistantly have trouble passing
>> the examinations are those who actually try to LEARN the material, rather
>> than just learning the correct answers.
>>
>
>You know this is true when you hear someone say, 'I just got my license,
>can someone tell me what frequencies I can transmit on?'

Its like any other hobby, you learn by doing. The exam prep gives you
an idea of the general parameters of the license class. You fill-in
the blanks as you learn and grow.

1178. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34c102bd.6266996@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181878

mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>>amateur career.
>
>Seconded! I would support a retest at each renewal. Would you suggest that the
>test include all elements up to the class granted, or just be the question pool
>for the class being renewed?
>
>Kï¿½MB

i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
less than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
kill off the hobby.

W4SCO

1179. Re: Masa is back should be racist is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34b9038d.307856894@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181879
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 15:00:04 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 07:35:43 GMT, kd5amz@flash.net (why don't you look
>it up) wrote:
>
>>On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 20:02:44 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>>>Laura Halliday wrote:
>>>> Cutie Boy wrote:
>>>> > Masa is back. I wasn't able to use my computer and connect the
>>>> > internet due to some crisis in Montreal.
>>>> > (who cares anyway ?)
>
>>this guy is a racist that likes to provoke whoever he can
>
>I know lots of people who criticize me due to not being blonde
>anglophone, but I don't realize I did similar thing to some other
>people. give me an example please.
>
>
you are a racist
you accuse everyone not agreeing
with your canook opinion of being
as such, whilst the problem is really
yours

1180. Re: Masa-Whats your game?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: gary.mckelvie@zetnet.co.uk
Message-ID: <34c10063.74963872@news.zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 181880

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>>(the latest is about some snow storms in Canada).
>
>it is NOT "some" snow storms. it is a very strong ice storm.
>trees are falling down and towers are falling down.
Ok granted that this ice storm is more serious than a snow storm
(masa's words btw) what relevance does this have to me (i live in
Scotlant on the other side of the atlantic)).
You seem to have missed the whole point of my posting and that is
Masa's cyberstalking.
Gary GM7USC
--
gary.mckelvie@zetnet.co.uk
gm7usc@qsl.net ICQ 1321792
http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/GM7USC/
http://www.qsl.net/gm7usc/

1181. 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111174101.MAA23421@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181881

I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when traveling, but very rarely hear any activity on either one. How many of you actually use these two "calling frequencies", especially when mobile?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1182. GMDSS Trainer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: an@hamilton.lv
Message-ID: <69b3tm$d0l$1@orthanc.reference.com>
Source record: 181882
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave

This software is used to
provide the user with information related to Global Maritime
Distress and Safety System;
help him acquire skills of usage of radio communications equipment
used within GMDSS.
All data provided by the software fall into the following categories :

text;
pictures;
short video films;
short audio pieces (both speech and music);
binary databases (tables);
executables each simulating a certain radio equipment.
All these pieces of data are cross-referenced in a multiway
chierarchial-tree global structure. In effect, they form a hypertext
system, one of its well-known advantage
being the ability of the user move within a "layer" of data
corresponding to his current level of proficiency; but if necessary, he
may "descend" to the very basics of any
issue, e.g. to a physical definition of oscillations.
All the above components of the database are easily added and
modified; it does not require recompiling of the software (except
executables).
The total size of the database is limited only by free disk space.
The program is installed on a local area network, each station
representing a ship, coast radio or shore-based subscriber station and
it can work as a standalone
workstation.
The program simulates work of radio communications equipment,
including sending/receiving messages and voice to/from ships. The voice
communications are implemented with a Sound Blaster audio card installed
on each computer.
Three different types of workstations are available : shipborne, coast
radio and subscriber stations. The latter two simulate an exit to
shore-based communication networks.
In a sense, this program is self-documented and almost all data
presented in this manual is easily reached right from the program.
The program is released in two versions : full version for local area
networks (LAN version) and standalone version for onboard training.

http://www.hamilton.lv/GMDSS/Gmdss.htm

Best regards
Alexander Nikolayev

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1183. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34B914FC.6F65@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181883
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
> > Why do you think that I support the retention of CW as a serious-use
> > backup mode?
>
> Because you're on a power trip? :-) Hams and/or ham frequencies didn't
> appear to be involved at all in the ship's CW distress situation. Seems
> they took advantage of a professional system, manned by professional
> operators, that performed up to professional standards, just as it was
> expected to do. That's what professionals do and get paid for.

All true (except the power trip comment), and it's also true that code is a commercial mode that surely won't be around long, by all accounts-the 500kc system at the time of the SOS was in it's last day of operation in England! So the "Professionals were doing what they do every day and get paid for" for the last time on the very last day of Code's maritime existance in that part of the world!!!
Is this ironic or what??

What if another similar ship sank in the same area the next day??

With the requirement gone, all the equipment and its officially sanctioned/required operators will soon be gone, also. So let's just let it die, and any further usage--I mean REAL usage--beyond recreation, can be ignored, since after all those high reliability(!) GMDSS units will handle all emergencies at sea, right?
(Of course a great many ships won't have them anyway, but hey, why worry about those folks? If they just would browbeat the ships owners to spring for the costs they wouldn't be putting themselve in harm's way, right?) Is this all a big money thing, fostered by high-tech proponents (with no financial interests, of course)or what? Changing the technology at a reasonable rate, along with an orderly system of equipping all ships with the new technology *BEFORE* abandoning the old would make some sense--Nah, too rational. Instead, let's just turn off the CW circuits and let them fend for themselves.

I believe that a great many shipboard RO's who are also hams, will be carrying their personal ham radio equipment-including CW capability-along just in case. THEY know the story beyond the published theory of how well the new stuff does/doesn't perform and it's *TRUE* reliability. They also know that interested hams hold daily maritime mobile nets, on SSB, that monitor frequencies to assist them in any need. They also know that if conditions are poor enough that SSB can't be used on those

frequencies, (shipboard antenna systems can be somewhat marginal, contributing to poor operating conditions, you know) those nets are manned by *CODE TESTED* hams who will be able to communicate with them on CW if needed. Some even have high tech digital modes to use, if they find them usable.

So Cecil, go ahead and immerse yourself in the technical theories of leading edge laboratories, along with Dr. Williamson and others, and forget about CW, as the good doctor apparently has done. Code is of no further value to you other than for your occasional amusement. Conditions out in the real world, particularily on the high seas and the third world, however don't conform to your narrow view of life. It's a cetainty that your theories on the subject WON'T prevail there among the common people who live these stories.

> I am alive today because I was NOT wearing a seat belt in a 1961 wreck.

And I'm alive today because I *Was* wearing a seatbelt in a 1960 accident--long before they were installed in cars.

> Is that a good reason not to wear seat belts? If not, why is an isolated
> commercial incident, in which amateurs were not involved at all, reason
> to force hundreds of thousands of amateurs to learn Morse code? Where is
> the Return On Investment, Dick? (Your warm, fuzzy feeling is not a good
> enough return.)

You seem to have no sense of the true mission and universal communications concepts so deeply ingrained and innate to Ham Radio and it's charter. Today, it seems that the "I wanna" or "I don't wanna" philosophy has totally abandoned any sense of responsibility for any reason unrelated to self gratification, I see that as the core basis for the No-Code Agenda. It used to be "Me first". Now it's just "ME".

Tell you what Cecil--your reasons for "warm fuzzy" feeling will comfort no one except yourself and your fellow no-coders. I doubt that any sailor who needs help will care about the source of the help, and your "warm, fuzzies" won't help at all. If he can reach a ham when in need of help, history has shown that he will gladly do so.

> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)
(nor much practical sense for himself)

Dick W0EX FISTS #3939

1184. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34B90D54.26B7@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181884
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
> http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
> for emergency purposes.
> Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
> on 2m repeaters... not on HFs.
> I see no CWer(pro-coder) who is active to help others out on 2m freqs.
> too bad. well, they have no VHF rigs anyway. they can't do anything
> about it. yeah, you are right.
> CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
> about it again.
>
> ---
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ---
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

For Local, i.e. short range communications, VHF and UHF reign supreme!
However, if the disaster were on a Caribbean Island or other remote
area, the long distance capability of HF would be used for emergency
communications. In the event of poor atmospheric conditions to boot, CW
could be used for clearer communications.

Imagine a hurricane which has caused a lot of damage and destroyed many
buildings and antennas. A battery or generator operated HF radio with a
simple "wire" antenna could be used to communicate with the mainland for
disaster aid.

Under these conditions VHF and UHF are useless. They are superb for short range, but now amount of added power can realistically make them long range radios (under normal circumstances).

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

p.s. THINK!

1185. TopBand

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: VK2ICV <watchman@tig.com.au>
Message-ID: <34B78058.47BC@tig.com.au>
Source record: 181916

FOR TOPBANDERS ONLY:
http://www.watch4you.com/160
VK9LX 160m log (Nov 21-26, 1997):
http://www.watch4you.com/vk9lx/160mlog.html

1186. Short-Wave in your car, Under $125.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: worldwave@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34b80c97.449381@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

http://www.mindspring.com/~worldwave

1187. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111000901.TAA07961@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181918

>50.0 Mhz would be fine as a calling frequency for CW, since CW has zero
>bandwidth and your signal would not go below 50 Mhz.

Ok, guys, lets not confuse the theoretical world with the real one! "Your transmitter keying envelope rise and fall times determine both the bandwidth of your cw signal and the maximum speed at which you can send and still be received properly. Once set, the rise and fall times(not keying speed) determine the band width.....If the rise and fall times are 2ms (fairly typical of commercial transceivers) , the band width would be 375 Hz." From the "Guide to the FCC Regulations", ARRL, 1993. What this means, then, is that with a typical xcvr operating in cw mode, you are not safe any closer to the band edge than 162.5 Hz. And this does not factor in your frequency display margin of error! For that, consult the manual that accompanied the rig.

As for safety margin on ssb, the problem goes beyond just the margin of error in your display. Most folks consider ssb to be about 3 kHz wide. But depending on your filter, at 3 kHz you are probably only 6 dB down, and the FCC wants you to be 40dB down. You'll need to consult the chart that accompanied the filter to find out where the 40dB point is. And also consider that few, if any, filters are of "brick wall" integrity! So to operate at, say, 7.299 mHz, and assume that because you are on lsb that you will have no products of modulation occuring above that frequency, is to invite an OO notice(the FCC having closed its monitoring stations and abandoned the inforcement role).

KMB

1188. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111001201.TAA07357@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181919

>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>amateur career.

Seconded! I would support a retest at each renewal. Would you suggest that the test include all elements up to the class granted, or just be the question pool for the class being renewed?

KMB

1189. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lee St.Clair" <w7ax@montananet.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1e22$65083540$4d2d28cf@default>
Source record: 181920
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

You have all the tools you need right in front of you. Check the SWR at 3505 or so. Then go to 3700 or so. If the SWR is higher, then the antenna is too long. If that doesn't work out, then go to 3995 or so and check. Get the SWR there and then go down to 3900 or so. If the SWR is higher going down in frequency, then the antenna is too short. Assuming you are talking about the 75 meter band of course. Good luck es 73 W7AX

Howard Gould <howieg@freewwweb.com> wrote in article <34B7CF56.1533@freewwweb.com>...
> Mike Capone wrote:
> >
> > On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:58:29 -0800, Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
> > wrote:
> >
> > >michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
> > >>
> > >> Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> > >> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> > >> the resonance points.
>

1190. Masa-Whats your game?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: gary.mckelvie@zetnet.co.uk
Message-ID: <34bd10f6.13662244@news.zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 181921

Masa seems to have discovered a new pastime on the net (other than
trolling this nesgroup<G>).He now seems to be into cyberstalking
recently i have had some pretty pathetic messages from this individual
(the latest is about some snow storms in Canada).
Masa you now have not only been in my olr's killfile bit now my icq
one as well.
For heavens sake GROW UP MASA.
Gary GM7USC
--
gary.mckelvie@zetnet.co.uk
gm7usc@qsl.net ICQ 1321792
http://www.users.zetnet.co.uk/GM7USC/
http://www.qsl.net/gm7usc/

1191. Re: ft-8100 Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980111001900.TAA09457@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181922

>I recently modified my FT-8100R to transmit out of band so that I could use
>it for a local business repeater. After the mod though, the computer
>interface no longer works. Has anyone else experienced this problem? please
>reply to keith@toolcity.net

>Thanks,
>Keith - n3uux

I recently buried my wife in the back yard. Now I find I have to cook my own meals, and do laundry. Does anyone know of a mod to fix this?

K�MB

1192. Re: Please I need a compelling reason to upgrade or renew

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa2ise@netcom.com
Message-ID: <wa2iseEMLHB2.GFE@netcom.com>
Source record: 181923

Renewing doesn't cost anything other than the time to fill out a one page form and a stamp. So, you're not into ham radio right now, you might get into it again in a few years, and you'll have the license all ready to go.

Upgrading may be a different issue, especially if you live in an apartment with antenna restrictions. Which makes HF ackward. VHF not so bad, the antennas are small.

1193. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cbfc67.13068348@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181924

ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman) wrote:

>On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:59:28 GMT, glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom)
>wrote:

>>I agree. Let's re-test EVERYBODY. Yearly. That'll get rid of the
>>scum, yep.
>
>I don't know if it would get rid of "scum", but annual retesting would
>go far to ensure that amateurs really remain competent in the areas
>which are considered essential for holding an amateur license. That
>is the stated government purpose of amateur exams after all.

What it would do is kill off what's left of the hobby in short order,
and allow it to be sold to the highest bidder without any hassles.

>If a large number of amateurs are unable to pass a retest, that tells
>us that either we have a lot of incompetent amateurs, and retests
>are rightfullly getting them off the air, or that the tests are irrelevant to
>good amateur operation and need to be changed to reflect what is really
>necessary to be a good operator. Either way, retesting would serve
>to maintain the relevance of the testing system to amateur licensing.
>
>I'm comfortable with the idea of retesting. If what's on the exams is
>really necessary knowledge, then we certainly have an interest in
>assuring that amateurs maintain that knowledge for their entire
>amateur career.

I never thought I'd see you adopting this sort of elitist attitude.
Sheesh! It's a hobby, Gary, not Rocket Science or brain surgery.

Would spending several months studying to re-take my ham tests make me
a better ham? Does not having to re-test make you a lesser ham? Of
course not. You just want to drive out anybody who doesn't have your
knowledge or way of thinking. Feh!

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1194. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34ccfe97.13628796@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181925

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>50.0 Mhz would be fine as a calling frequency for CW, since CW has zero
>bandwidth and your signal would not go below 50 Mhz.

Sigh.

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1195. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cdfef0.13718311@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181926

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>SCO wrote:
>
>> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
>> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
>> Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
>> lot easier to remember.
>
> God I hope he's joking

I don't think so. Xrist, reading some of this stuff tempts me to
endorse Gary's idea of re-testing!
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1196. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cf008b.14128927@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181927

mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:

>>>I guess you figured out that this supposed "subsidy" pales in comparison
>>>to the FCC mandated "subsidy" being imposed on us all in the form
>>>of HDTV which you support wholeheartedly.
>
>>One major difference is that one supports an ancient technology, and
>>the other supports a change to a newer and supposedly better
>>technology.
>
>replied KB7CFD.
^^^^^^
>
>So, then, your God is new technology? And we should be willing to sacrifice to
>your God?
>
>Kï¿½MB

If you can't even pick my correct callsign out of my sig, why should I
pay any attention to the rest of your babbling?
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1197. ICOM PCR1000 NOISE?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: collin@swcp.com
Message-ID: <34b82587.34725496@news.direcpc.com>
Source record: 181928

Hello,
I have noticed that I have a S5 noise on 3 to 5 Megahertz on my PCR 1000. I think it is comming from my computer as I have tried it from two different homes with the same computer. I have turned my monitor off and it makes no differance. I cant turn my computer off as I loose the ability to operate my radio. I have no other shortwave recievers.
Please let me know if anyone else has noticed it and if there is a solution?...I have even tried a real long (25 feet) serial cable and that did not help either.

Collin
Email=collin@swcp.com

1198. Re: 5wpm is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: k1zat@dsport.com
Message-ID: <6999ot$lj8@clarknet.clark.net>
Source record: 181929
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy (cute@radiotelephone.net.ham) wrote:
: I am sure no one cares about amateur radio anymore.

...and you dont know what your talking about. Go back
to CB.

1199. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <699bpi$70h$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181930

>>This is true, considering his racist posts on ks.misc.
>
>
>Boy, you really seem to be hung up on this one, Tommy. Why don't you just
post
>it here for everyone to see...that way, you won't have to babble about it
>anymore. And how many hours of searching DejaNews did it take you to find it?
>Perhaps you should call 1-800-GET-LIFE.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

As you wish.

BTW, I stumbled on these quite by accident while searching for one of you other
contradictions.

-cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
-Date: 1997/12/11
-
->BTW, I live in Wichita and it's the biggest 'small town' I've ever >seen
-
-Too many blacks and Mexicans, though.
-
-"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
- "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
-
-cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
-Date: 1997/12/13
-
-
- >> Too many blacks and Mexicans, though.
- >>
- >
- > Too many idiot rednecks.
-
-
- Too many sympathizers of blacks and Mexicans (read: criminals)
-
- "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
- "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You would have made a good little German in 1940.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.

Tom - N8ECW

1200. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34e53f95.30269850@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181931

T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:

>Are you serious.....(Not meant to flame) Check the callsign directories
>for your area. I live in the San Francisco Bay Area and there are over
>100 hams within 1 mile of my house. Try listening on 20 meter
>phone..... There is no space left for any 2 metere repeaters in the SF
>area and I think 440 is the same. In Han Radio we need "QUALITY" not
>"Quantity"!

Ever heard of 222? 902? 1296?

For that matter, I will bet you a weeks pay that even on 2 meters, the total ham allocation is busy less than 20 percent of the total time in any given week, in your area.

Where is it written that every ham has to have an FM repeater on two meters, anyway? Why aren't hams pioneering trunking, or other techniques to expedite usage of the crowded two meter band there?

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1201. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: tweek@netcom-NO.SPAM-com
Message-ID: <EMLsIw.GJo@moraga.ness.com>
Source record: 181932
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>
>Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.

And the thing which pisses you off, is that you can only hear one
side of the conversation. ;-)

147.06 / 3 = 49.02

49.02 is the handset frequency of a cordless telephone pair.

Looks like a harmonic rather than an IF image, which puts the problem
in her ball court.

>Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>using it ?

You can request your neighbor to avoid that channel... since she
obviously has one of the 25 channel phones which can change channels.

--

Had your share of stoopid(tm) people?	
View the "Contra Costa Whines" at	[This space for lease]
http://www.io.com/~tweek/cocowhine/	

1202. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <699kf2$8oq@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181933
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote:
>The concern is, one aspect of the hobby is the 'tail wagging the dog'.

Funny Michelle used that term. I'm sure the pro-code test pundits
will love the movie Wag The Dog ...

courage mom

Well see the movie.

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1203. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-11 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <699l90$8qa@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181934

T E I X E I R A <teixeira@ccnet.com> wrote:

>Are you serious.....(Not meant to flame) Check the callsign directories
>for your area. I live in the San Francisco Bay Area and there are over
>100 hams within 1 mile of my house. Try listening on 20 meter
>phone..... There is no space left for any 2 metere repeaters in the SF
>area and I think 440 is the same. In Han Radio we need "QUALITY" not
>"Quantity"!
>Don W6IQ

Don,

That's a price you pay for living in a population center. You'll
always have that situation in major metro areas. In the other 99%
of the country there is no problem of congestion. I'll also
hazard the idea that there are certain times of every day and
days of the week when even your local area is pretty quiet.

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1204. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69d3kp$3hc$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181685

In article <69c7bl$fdk@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>>Since the average person works days, it is extremely likely that s/he will
>>not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on the
>>radio from 11pm-7am, when most people are sleeping.
>
>Oh, I get it. If there's congestion in your favorite operating time
>then we already have too many hams even though 80% of the time
>the bands are unoccupied. Is that it?

Huh? You know, sometimes Bill I honestly can't fathom how you manage to
come up with some of the "implications" you think are behind every posting.
Where does this "too many hams" idea come from?

Most people are otherwise occupied 17 out of 24 hours per day with other
activities. For the bands to be 20% occupied, that would imply
continuous use for 5 hours each day. Given that most people don't live,
eat, and sleep ham radio, their remaining 7 hours/day for leisure time is
spent in a variety of ways.

My point was, quite simply, that unless you happen to live in a large
metropolitan area it is unlikely your local bands would appear busy 20%
of the time. Its more likely you will see some periods of congestion,
and then large periods of inactivity.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1205. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34BA38F8.7C02@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181686
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
> And my first receiver, an ARC-5 surplus job
> heard them all on a single quarter inch of dial.

Yep, that was my first receiver too, a BC-45x and with an IF of 1+ MHz, it received ALL of the CW signals in the 40m novice band all at the same time. Not liking the results, I mixed the 1+ MHz IF signal down to 455kHz and ran the resulting signal into the BC-45x that covered 400-500kHz and had an IF of 50kHz. Now that was a sweet CW rig, close to single-signal reception and rivaling the performance of a Collins receiver after I installed a Q-multiplier.

I think it was QST that had an article about it. Even back then, some of us preferred to work smarter, not harder. :-)
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1206. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34BA3992.16C5@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181687
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwight Stewart wrote:
> By the way, my name is Dwight, not Curtis. Or do you want another
> argument about people who cannot get names straight. ;-)

My apologies, Dwight. Demon Rum strikes again.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1207. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69dd7p$jco@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181688
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

no.junk.mail@thank.you (Walt Davidson) wrote:

>On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 10:40:43 -0800, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
>wrote:

>>The ARRL and FCC made it very easy to get a no code license, it does
>>bother me that completely doing away with the code for HF would, again,
>>bring in the rif raff of CB types.

>Exactly! There could be no better argument for the retention of a
>Morse Code requirement for access to the HF bands. It has always
>acted as a very simple and effective "CB riff raff filter"! Long may
>it continue.
>73 de G3NYY

Walt,

This is absolute rubbish. It has no basis in fact at all and
you should know that. IF CW acted as such a filter then
we'd expect to find the riff raff of CB types (not a description
I agree with by the way) on VHF and the simple fact is
that we find no more or less bad apples on VHF (the nocode
techs) then we do on HF where code is required.

There has been absolutely no statistical support for any
assertion that code filters out while the theory test
doesn't.

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1208. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69ddft$jco@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181689

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <69c7bl$fdk@jupiter.planet.net>,
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

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>>>not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on the
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>metropolitan area it is unlikely your local bands would appear busy 20%
>of the time. Its more likely you will see some periods of congestion,
>and then large periods of inactivity.

OK, so we agree. The bottom lne is that band congestion because
someone lives in a metro area and can only operate during the typical
peak hours is no reason to view the number of hams as being too
many. My aplogies if we were apparently in agreement.

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1209. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69ddri$jco@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181690
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

lar01@sprynet.com (larry) wrote:

>Greetings Dwight
>Ok, let me turn this question around. What do you think would be
>'fair' testing requirements and priveledges for someone wanting access
>to the hf bands. And I emphasis the word 'fair'?
>Larry ve3fxq

Expand the test pools for general, advanced and extra
as has already been done for novice and tech. No code
test at all (5 wpm until the ITU treaty requirement ends).

The subject matter covered by the theory tests is expansive
enough, the expansion of question pools will minimize pure
memorization.

This is not new. It is what many of us have asked for
for some time now. Heck, keep the code test if you want...
IF and only IF, you integrate scoring of CW into the overall
test score instead of having it as a separate test
element.

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1210. Re: Hams on 11m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <69dghp$241$1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 181691

In article <34B76BFA.24A@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>> M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote...
>>
>> I think it depends on where you are. Here in the front range of
>> Colorado 146.52 is very active.
>
>REPLY...
>
> That is true. I don't exactly live alone around here, but there is
>little activity on the radio period (including this frequency).
>
> There are many occasions where hours can go by before I hear any voice
>on the radio (except myself). And everybody seems to go to bed around
>eight (when they roll up the streets). :-)
>
>Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

---------- 2-mtrs freq. 6.520 is a CALLING frequency. Activity should be limited to initial contact and then QSY.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

1211. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980112115514.21911H-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 181692

> If we require passing of these tests by the newly licensed, what kind of
> hypocrites are we that we aren't willing to be retested periodically on
> the same materials? That's the root of this issue. If the newly licensed
> need to know these things, *so do we*.
>

Then MAYBE we ought to put this policy into effect for everyone
concerning their drivers licenses as well. As of now, only NEW drivers
must test, or to upgrade a license to CDL or something. OR if caught DUI
or some other offense. Otherweise NO ONE gets retested. And, traffic laws
do change sometimes. A lot of states that never had RIGHT ON RED (where
posted or not restricted), now have it. Those drivers prior to those laws,
simply had to learn to adjust. Of course, some think now, you can do it
anytime anywhere. So, perhaps we whould all retest for this too!!!!!

I don't think so.......

I think this is getting a bit carried away.

Tech@DP.NET

1212. 6 meters and Hawaii

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8jlv@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <69dk3l$rdh@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181693

Anyone listening towards us here in Hawaii? I listen for the Upper 48 a good bit and call CQ also. Or is the distance just to great between the west coast and Hawaii? Stan/KB8JLV/KH6

1213. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: nq9220700-Ostrowski <dwostrowski@lucent.com>
Message-ID: <34BA5026.31DFF4F5@lucent.com>
Source record: 181694
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Gambino,

You story echoes my own, except you made your move quicker than I did!

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1214. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ba4a83.350633249@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181695
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 10:40:43 -0800, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net> wrote:

>If I may throw in my two cents worth? Enjoyed both of your posts and
>would like to comment.
>
>It may be that knowing the code is no longer as important as it once
>was. It is still a very useful mode and attracts many amateurs, despite
>the nay sayers. Still, realistically, I agree that knowing 13 words per
>miute to get HF privelages on all bands is a bit much for some people.
>
>On the other hand, I am afraid that doing away with the code will allow
>more CB intellects into the bands and decrease the quality of HAM
>communications. One reason I started in the hobby was the quality of
>people here. Some of the more vociferous bashers of the code, like
>"cutie boy" are people we should use the requirement to keep out of the
>hobby.

Note that "cutie boy" has passed the Canadian solid copy requirement
at 5 WPM, which tends to dilute your position.

Even a flatworm can be conditioned to run mazes. It takes no intelligence
to copy Morse, just Pavlovian conditioning to respond to tone sequences.
In fact, if you try to think, you screw up. So if Morse selects according to
intellect, then it would tend to select disproportionately those of low intellect.
If that is the sort of unthinking quality you want in amateurs, then Morse may
be the filter for you. If we have any hams with high intellectual capacity, it is
despite the Morse tests and not because of them.

The reason CB is the way it is has nothing to do with a lack of Morse tests.
It is the way it is because CBers can hide behind anonymous "handles"
like figures in a masked mob. They can do any anti-social thing that they
like without much fear of consequences to their reputations in the real
world. OTOH, amateurs have traditionally proclaimed their "true names",
IE their call signs, loudly and frequently, and demand that others they
contact do the same. They exchange their home addresses for the
purpose of exchanging postal cards. This strongly affects behavior by
stripping away the security of anonymity. It isn't a 100% control on
behavior, but it is the major self-policing factor among amateurs.

The fact that the FCC has stopped enforcement against those who can't
or won't police themselves, first among CBers and now among hams,
hasn't helped matters, of course. But Morse tests have nothing to do with
behavior, good or bad. They just demonstrate that one is susceptable to
Pavlovian conditioning, like the dog which becomes conditioned to salivate
when the dinner bell is rung. If a dog can be conditioned do that, any "riff-raff"

CBer can be conditioned to receive Morse. But just as the dog remains a dog,
so too do the "riff-raff" remain "riff-raff" whether they beep or not.

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1215. Re: Pop 'Tronics Carl&Jerry

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ba52f9.352798931@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181696

On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 21:20:18 -0800, "Fuzzy (Al) Duenkel" <fuzzy@hnet.net> wrote:
>I grew up in the '60s with Popular Electronics and loved the old Carl &
>Jerry articles. About 20 years ago I wrote to the author and he didn't
>have them (the magazine had all rights to the episodes). Would anyone
>have the series they wouldn't mind selling to me. I have quite a few,
>but would like to complete the collection.

Boy Howdy! Do I remember those stories. They were great. They mixed
adventure with a bit of technical knowledge in a really slick way. I always
wanted to go out and build something after reading one. In fact, I did
build the proton resonance magnetometer the boys built in one of the
stories. Even got it to work. I sure would like to see these stories reprinted
in book form.

>By the way, I'm one of the "old-timers" (45 yrs old) who longs for the
>good old days when being a ham meant building a transmitter from a
>junked TV, and you were something special becaue we had radios in the
>car that could be phone patched, had portable handie-talkies and could
>talk to others around the country. Now with the internet and
>cellphones, everyone has that ability! Sorry, but ham radio has lost
>its charm for me!

It hasn't lost its charm for me. I still get a kick out of building things that
communicate in new and interesting ways. The things have become more
sophisticated over the years, of course, and a lot of them now include
firmware as well as hardware. I suppose the difference is that operating
doesn't hold much attraction for me once I prove to myself that what I've
built works as expected. Then it is on to the next project. That keeps
amateur radio fresh and interesting to me.

When I just want to yack about some new idea or harebrained scheme
with like minded people, I reach for a Japanese appliance. And it doesn't
much matter to me if that appliance requires an amateur license to operate
or not, or whether it is wired or wireless. The only advantage of amateur radio
for that usage is that it is more likely I will run into someone of like mind when
using the amateur radio appliance than when using the cellular phone
appliance. The method doesn't much matter, it's what we talk about that
matters.

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1216. Re: 12wpm CW = 8 baud

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ba57c2.354024208@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181697

On Sat, 03 Jan 1998 12:47:37 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>On Tue, 30 Dec 1997 12:47:45 -0000, "Bill R" <n9br@mc.net> wrote:
>
>> CW and Packet aren't the same. You will never
>>get a tnc to pick up anything more than garbage when
>>the signals are very very weak, whereas the human ear
>>will be able to pull info out.
>
>but we don't have to use very very very very weak signals [garbages]
>nowdays do we ??

We don't *have* to, but the minimum power necessary rule says that
we should strive to work with the weakest possible signals. And digital
modulations such as BPSK, QPSK, and other M-ary modulations let us
do that better than any other method. And strong uniform codes using
FEC also allow us to do that better than irregular codes with no FEC
like Morse. If this weren't so, then those weakest of all signals coming
from beyond the edge of the solar system sent by Voyager and Pioneer
would be in OOK Morse and NASA would have headphone wearing
operators copying them. But of course they don't. And that's because
those headphone wearing operators couldn't even hear the signals in
the noise, but machine methods can.

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1217. Re: Attitudes of hams when asked a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884628574.1767112713@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181698

J. Herman wrote:

> "Give a man a piece of bread, and you've fed him for a day.
> Teach him to harvest, and you've fed him for a lifetime."
>
> Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

You got it wrong, Jeff. That maxim goes like this:

"Give a man a fish, and you have fed him for a day.
Teach a man to fish, and he sits in a boat all day
and drinks beer."

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1218. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <OCtu.90$yL2.230314@news2.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181699
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Finally! one of the procoders had the guts to say and prove that the CW requirements have nothing to do with CW being anything more than a a ritual rite of passage, designed to keep the wrong people off the HF bands. When you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact: CW is nothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands. Any other reason is a fallacy and is being used by pro code advocates for misdirection.

KF4HMN

1219. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Hughes <afn01079@afn.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.95.980112130409.42487A-100000@freenet2.afn.org>
Source record: 181700

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998, Gary Coffman wrote:

> There's no reason not to require a renewee to take the same exams
> as someone newly qualifying for the same license. If the knowledge
> is relevant for one, it is for the other too. Even timeless things like
> basic electromagnetic theory can slip away if one makes no effort
> to retain it. So retesting on *everything* is necessary to make sure
> the renewee still meets the requirements for holding an amateur
> radio license.

> This seems so obvious and reasonable, I can't see how anyone could
> oppose it. That is unless they think the exams cover things which are
> *not* necessary for one to know to competently hold an amateur radio
> license. In that case, I'd expect an outcry to have the exams revised
> (for everyone) to cover only what really is necessary knowledge.

If so obvious and reasonable why aren't other groups routinely and
regularly retested? Because of the knowledge that after learning comes
practice and they complement each other. Possibly the most serious and
telling example is medicine where life is at stake. If doctors can continue
to mix early education with continuing practice (at varying levels and
specialties) then why burden the amateur community with required retests.

de John Hughes, ks4xn

1220. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BA646F.934A4053@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181701

Tim Hynde wrote:

> The answer was stated very eloquently by someone before, so with credit
> given,
> I'll repeat it. The reason 146.52 doesn't work well for highway travel is
> that
> unless the guy is traveling in the same direction as you your QSO time is
> limited.
> Think about two cars at 60 mph in opposite directions at the point they
> pass, they
> will be 10 miles apart in 5 minutes, probably into the noise if both are
> running
> simple antennas. Even worse in the mountains. Tune in 146.52 when you hit
> heavy
> traffic, you'll find alot of activity then.
>

Most of the "fun" in using simplex on two meters is seeing just how far you can talk. Its a lot more fun to make contact with someone who is on the other side of town (10-15 miles) than use the all reaching repeater that is sitting on top of a 9000 foot mountain and can get a full quiet signal from anything within 200 miles. It is also good preparation for possible emergencies where you may need to have an idea of where good radio locations would be for setting up vhf relay or control points.

73s
Mark
WA0DCA

1221. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34BA67D5.69CE@asu.edu>
Source record: 181702
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Gary Coffman wrote:
> . But Morse tests have nothing to do with
> behavior, good or bad. They just demonstrate that one is susceptable to
> Pavlovian conditioning, like the dog which becomes conditioned to salivate
> when the dinner bell is rung. If a dog can be conditioned do that, any "riff-raff"
> CBer can be conditioned to receive Morse. But just as the dog remains a dog,
> so too do the "riff-raff" remain "riff-raff" whether they beep or not.

Except, that passing a 13 WPM test requires a lot of study, alot of
committment, something CBers have a short supply of

1222. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BA69E6.6FB388CF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181703

Roger, W6VZV wrote:

> For example, many, perhaps most hams are disinterested in
> CW. They bone up, pass the test once, and promptly forget
> CW. What is wrong with that?

I disagree. CW is sort of like riding a bike. Once you learn it you have it with you the rest of your life. You may be rusty and have to bone up a little to get your speed up but you don't have to go through the whole learning process again.

73s
Mark
WA0DCA

1223. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BA6ACD.A2D45081@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181704

SCO wrote:

> WELL SAID.
> I certainly would not want to take my flight test again,

Les, that is really a frightening thought. You should be able to pass a re-test at anytime. Further you should have the confidence in your abilities that you can do so without any problems. Otherwise you should be grounded.

73s
Mark
WA0DCA

> or my college
> exams again, or ...
>
> W4SCO

1224. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BA6D73.E214F257@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181705

SCO wrote:

> i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
> less than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
> kill off the hobby.
>
> W4SCO

Do you have any statistics or evidence to support this? What are your sources?

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1225. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BA71B7.B4F7DE04@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181706
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Bill Sohl wrote:

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> This is absolute rubbish. It has no basis in fact at all and
> you should know that. IF CW acted as such a filter then
> we'd expect to find the riff raff of CB types (not a description
> I agree with by the way) on VHF and the simple fact is
> that we find no more or less bad apples on VHF (the nocode
> techs) then we do on HF where code is required.

Do you have anything to reference to that? From my experience it sure seems like a lot of the repeaters in the area are starting to sound a lot like the crap on 11 meters. Even to the point of the 10-4 good buddy type conversations. I don't seem to find nearly as much on HF phone and have never really noticed it on CW.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1226. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980112195701.OAA11573@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181707

>When
>you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact: CW is
>nothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands.

As it should be

1227. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34BA5B4C.1EE0D09C@flash.net>
Source record: 181708

M Johnson wrote:

> SCO wrote:
>
> > WELL SAID.
> > I certainly would not want to take my flight test again,
>
> Les, that is really a frightening thought. You should be able to pass a
> re-test at anytime. Further you should have the confidence in your abilities
> that you can do so without any problems. Otherwise you should be grounded.
>
> 73s
> Mark
> WA0DCA

Yea, a cold chill ran up my back when I read that one too. Brought back memorys of the Aero Mexico crash in Cerritos, CA they were stuck and crashed killing everyone, by a private pilot who had drifted into controlled airspace. I wonder when his last check ride was?

1228. Cherokee AH-50! Info/mods wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: chia@news.utk.edu
Message-ID: <69dvc3$82k$1@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
Source record: 181709

I just ordered one of theses GREAT little HT's and I was wondering if there are any mods, or other info on it avail. for the rig. If you have any PLEASE post it here or E-Mail me with it. Thanks...

73 de KF4UAE
chia@korrnet.org

1229. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69dvi0$l22@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181710
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"D. Townsend" KF4HMN <pog@bellsouth.net> wrote:
> Finally! one of the procoders had the guts to say and prove that the CW
>requirements have nothing to do with CW being anything more than a a ritual
>rite of passage, designed to keep the wrong people off the HF bands. When
>you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact: CW is
>nothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands. Any other
>reason is a fallacy and is being used by pro code advocates for
>misdirection.

And as a filter it doesn't result in any more elimination of bad
apples than the theory test does. Any test will keep out
some people and the if bad apples only stay away because
of code, then why doesn't VHF exhibit a proliferation of
bad apple behavior any more than HF does?

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1230. HW 24 T Heath

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <69dvq6$m9o@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181711

Need To Know What Component Q 202 Is On The Main Board Of My Heath Hw 24 T
The Part Can Be Seen By Removing The Rear Cover & Looking On The Main Board
Next To The Ribbon Cable. Needed Schematics & Manual Etc Help
73's KD5BAY

1231. HW 24 T Heath Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <69dvs0$m9o@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181712

KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote in article
<69dvq6$m9o@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> Need To Know What Component Q 202 Is On The Main Board Of My Heath Hw 24
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> The Part Can Be Seen By Removing The Rear Cover & Looking On The Main
Board
> Next To The Ribbon Cable. Needed Schematics & Manual Etc Help
> 73's KD5BAY
>

1232. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69e0bg$l3t@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181713

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>Tim Hynde wrote:
>> The answer was stated very eloquently by someone before,
>> so with credit given, I'll repeat it. The reason
>> 146.52 doesn't work well for highway travel is that unless the guy is
>> traveling in the same direction as you your QSO time is limited.
>> Think about two cars at 60 mph in opposite directions at the point they
>> pass, they will be 10 miles apart in 5 minutes,
>> probably into the noise if both are running simple antennas.
>> Even worse in the mountains. Tune in 146.52 when you hit
>> heavy traffic, you'll find alot of activity then.

>Most of the "fun" in using simplex on two meters is seeing just how far you
>can talk. Its a lot more fun to make contact with someone who is on the other
>side of town (10-15 miles) than use the all reaching repeater that is sitting
>on top of a 9000 foot mountain and can get a full quiet signal from anything
>within 200 miles. It is also good preparation for possible emergencies where
>you may need to have an idea of where good radio locations would be for
>setting up vhf relay or control points.
>Mark, WA0DCA

I agree. Add to that the use of a typical 50 watt mobile and you
can get pretty impressive results. But even if limited to a 10 minute
QSO, whats wrong with that? Many QSOs are a lot shorter than
that.

It is ironic a ham would say we have a distance capability that is
barely better than a typical CB channel 19 contact. I've had
short CB contacts with other drivers going in the other direction
when we travel with our antique car club. As above, just because
you can't stay in contact longer than 10 minutes (I think in
many cases it'd be longer) doesn't mean we should avoid
mobile simplex opportunities.

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1233. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <69e0iq$8e9@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 181714
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <69am04$1n1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:

>With alternate modes popping up right and left, the percentage of CW
>use is down, but I believe that more people are using CW today than ever
>before. For instance, recently an ARRL survey claimed that 27% of licensed
>amateurs use CW on a regular basis.

Yes, down from 100% in 1917 +/- 3 years. If it continues at this rate of
decline, the percent of amateur CW use would linearly extrapolate to zero
sometime between the years 2025 and 2028.

1234. Re: Need weather satellite frequenties !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Allen <rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BA85E6.29B@ibm.net>
Source record: 181715
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.space,nl.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Xsubmarine@airnet.netY (CRT) wrote:
> >
> > >The internet has all satellite photo's. Why bother with that stuff?
> >

The internet certainly does not have ALL satellite photos. The
low Earth orbit sats transmit continuously and do so over areas
that have no simple internet access ...

Richard W5SXD@amsat.org

1235. Re: test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34BA8AB6.2B3B@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181716

KD5BAY wrote:
>
> Teast

I think it failed.

Curtis .. N5HDQ ..http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1236. Re: Prohibit phone modes on HF

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ba895a.335590@news.total.net>
Source record: 181717
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 12 Jan 1998 16:42:52 GMT, pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu wrote:

>be more room for everyone, less QRM,

more room for whom ? you ? 1% of amateur community or what ?

> more experimentation
> and
>perhaps more innovations.

what kinda experimentation ?

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1237. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <69e3am$a2o@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 181718
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <69e0iq$8e9@news.service.uci.edu>,
James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:
>Yes, down from 100% in 1917 +/- 3 years. If it continues at this rate of
>decline, the percent of amateur CW use would linearly extrapolate to zero
>sometime between the years 2025 and 2028.

OOOPS! I miscalculated. The trend shows an expiration of CW use between
2010 and 2013. A 73% drop over the period. Bill Pasternack would have us
believe the International requirement will come up for review 27 to 30
years after no one uses it anymore.

1238. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34bc92ab.9690057@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181719
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:

>Gary Coffman wrote:
>> . But Morse tests have nothing to do with
>> behavior, good or bad. They just demonstrate that one is susceptable to
>> Pavlovian conditioning, like the dog which becomes conditioned to salivate
>> when the dinner bell is rung. If a dog can be conditioned do that, any "riff-raff"
>> CBer can be conditioned to receive Morse. But just as the dog remains a dog,
>> so too do the "riff-raff" remain "riff-raff" whether they beep or not.
>
>
>Except, that passing a 13 WPM test requires a lot of study, alot of
>committment, something CBers have a short supply of

Oh, bullshit.

If it weren't for CBers, guys like you wouldn't have anyone to look
down on.
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glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1239. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69dk1b$3u4$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181720
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34b9bff7.11601973@news.earthlink.net>,
<hmkarse@earthlink.net> wrote:

>And any communications from the affected area to other areas will be
>on.....HF!

I disagree. H&W traffic, as of late, has been more effectively handled
by Internet traffic. Since the is usually *some* degree of a communications
infrastructure in a disaster, H&W traffic is still passed over VHF to
parties on the rim of the disaster, who in turn pass the traffic over still
operational phone circuits onto the Internet.

>I live in Southern California and all of our
>emergency communications plans utilize VHF/UHF for local coms and HF
>for statewide/national coms.

CA is somewhat of an anomaly, given it consumes virtually the entire west coast.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1240. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34BA878A.74085900@flash.net>
Source record: 181721
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:

> And as a filter it doesn't result in any more elimination of bad
> apples than the theory test does. Any test will keep out
> some people and the if bad apples only stay away because
> of code, then why doesn't VHF exhibit a proliferation of
> bad apple behavior any more than HF does?
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK

Well, I think VHF does to some extent. My issue is more than just keeping out 'bad apples' I'll talk to ANYONE on the air but I hear so many no code techs who don't seem to really have interest in radio. I seriously don't know why they botherd to get licensed. They are very content to have a 2m ht and work the repeaters with little to no interest in what makes it all work. I wish I had a nickel for each time I've heard someone say "hey Tim I'm just an appliance operator, I admit it." Makes me ill. While CW is no 'cure all' at least those who started as Novices and learned how to cut a dipole, listen through the noise, actually hear what changes in propagtion sound like, at least those ended up with a good foundation of radio basics. By gosh you had to WORK to get that first QSO, not just key a mic and say "N8_ _ _ monitoring" When I finally got to 2m I new something about radio.

I'm thankful I started out that way, I can see how I may have completly missed it all if I jumped right into 2m. And now we want to give HF phone priviliges to the same group of guys I hear on 2m who aren't really interested in radio. Well perhaps it will come to that someday. I joined because I had an interest in shortwave radio, communications, electronics and I was willing to pay the price, which at the time was learning morse. If it mean becoming proficient in another language I would have done that too! If you want it, pay the price. Rite of passage? Old farts club, secret handshake society, I don't care what you call it. I'm going to continue to support it for HF priveleges.

Wayne Green argued for years about all the wonderful RF Engineers, Microwave Specialists, etc who would bring a wealth of knowlege to our hobby but wouldn't join because of the code. Well, where the hell are they 10 years later? Didn't seem to do much for VHF and above, based on past performance I can't see how it's going to help HF either. So let's drop the 'bad apple' filter thread and talk about amateurs who are willing to go the extra mile to get there.

My 6 1/2 cents worth

Tim, ka8ddz

1241. unmodulated carriers (was: Re: Hams on 2m 147.52)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Jessup <kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1f6c$c742e160$6fb3ba97@jessup2>
Source record: 181722

On Fri, 09 Jan 1998 20:55:40 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Well, ok but I don't understand the difference between OOK morse and an
>'unmodulated carrier' I assumed they were the same.

Without getting too technical, simply consider that moving information (ANY
sort of data rate, INCLUDING MORSE CODE) does not come for free.
You must pay some sort of bandwidth penalty as far as side bands.

If this were NOT the case, we'd see computer driven Morse code
operating at many megabits per second and occupying no more
bandwidth than that of a continuous carrier. And we'd see
commercial interests doing wireless video conferencing on HF
via high speed computer-driven OOK. ;-) But in fact we do NOT
see this.

OOK modulation is terrible for data rates other than those capable via
human readable means. Thus we see techniques such as AMTOR
and GTOR used for HF data transfer rather than computer driven OOK.

So once we understand that a greater data rate USUALLY means
a greater bandwidth penalty, we must make decisions as to which
band we will use, the forms of modulation, and what hardware
infrastructures are best given the data rate requirements of the
application. We must also consider the application's need for
distance (station to station DX may NOT be needed) and reliability
(ionospheric problems may be unacceptable).

In summary, the bandwidth "efficiency" of long haul Morse DX is a viable
option IF you don't have a whole lot to say in a very short time and you
are
willing to live with the vagaries of the ionosphere.

Once you finally realize that Morse Code is just ONE of MANY choices
in our "toolbox of communications solutions", one is left with this amusing
anomaly...

Morse Code has the dubious distinction of being worth the MOST
"points per contact" in a bizarre and twisted form of "entertainment"
known as ARRL "contesting".

And that alone should make you want to master it. ;->

n9sqb
kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com

1242. Dentron Clipperton L

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: jonk <jonk@moonlink.net>
Message-ID: <34BAB92A.C330F341@moonlink.net>
Source record: 181723
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

Hi All,
Just tried to put into service the Dentron Linear Amp. The tubes
light and so does the
power light, but not Plate voltage or current. Nothing else happens.
Anyone know of
official or unofficial person providing support and/or repairs for this?

Repairs aside, I'd like to hear any comments about this Amp. I'm
told there was a thread here on this subject, but I don't see it here.

Thanks in advance for any comments.

73s de Jonathan
ko6xs

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

1243. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BAD19E.F8@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181724
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Gary Coffman wrote:
> Note that "cutie boy" has passed the Canadian solid copy requirement
> at 5 WPM, which tends to dilute your position.
>
> Even a flatworm can be conditioned to run mazes. It takes no intelligence
> to copy Morse, just Pavlovian conditioning to respond to tone sequences.
> In fact, if you try to think, you screw up. So if Morse selects according to
> intellect, then it would tend to select disproportionately those of low intellect.

OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses Mouth.
Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
tapeworm can do it.

So what say let's get off this no-code nonsense and get on with
spending our time advancing ham radio as *Real Hams* and stop this
phoney bullshit of griping about how hard it is. You have every one been
shown up as phonies by one of your Priests of High Technology himself!
Surely you all don't want to be shown up as being dumber than the
average Pavlovian dog's tapeworm, now do you?

1244. Re: Wanted a REAL RTTY printer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Harvey <wb8nbs@ameritech.net>
Message-ID: <34BADA4D.716BF346@ameritech.net>
Source record: 181725
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

R. Alexander King wrote:
>
> I don't know if this qualifies as a "Boatanchor" but I would probably
> think so if I didn't want one....
> I am looking for a real RTTY input and printing station....I am NOT
> looking for software, a multimode TNC, or any piece of equipment which
> requires a computer.
> I have never seen an RTTY station...but I imagine it is prob very
> similar to an old printer dumb terminal or an old TELEX station....
> If anyone out there has one of these, or can point me in the right
> direction I would certainly appreciate it.

You might be interested in:
http://www.hem.com/nadcomm
http://www.pacbell.com/others/stories/story-12.html
--
Jim Harvey, Redford, Mich. Amiga person - Linux person - WB8NBS
This message came from Netscape running on a LINUX Laptop!
He who dies with the most software wins.

1245. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Adam B.Repsher" <abrep@csrlink.net>
Message-ID: <34BAE05C.5AD4264C@csrlink.net>
Source record: 181726
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Tom Repstad wrote:
>
> hmm... an awfull lot of protesting and generalization here... it is just as bad to
> chastise an entire group (i.e. old farts"... as it is for one of them to chastize a
> newbie for asking a "stupid" questions (the only stupid question is the one that doesn't
> get asked). Perhaps, you should consider treating everyone as an individual... After
> all, they are individuals. All the message below will do is create animosity, and
> further the "arrogant young twit" stereotype.
>
> Hey.. lighten up... :)
>
> Tom
> KB1CGA

Thank you Tom,

I think that we have to realize that people will be people. None of us are perfect and we have to take the good with the bad. Sounds like these people have found the wrong souls to listen to . It is sad that there are enough bad eggs out there to spoil a the fun for a few of us. I think that you need to go back and look again.

In the four years that I have been in this hobby (HAM radio) I have had contact with those "bad HAMs." I have also had patience with these people. You can learn much from anyone, even the ones that make fun and talk big. In the last two months though, I have spent time learning CW. During this time, I have only had support and help through what I thought was going to be the most excruciating task of my life. Everyone has been positive, even my no-code-tech and tech-plus friends. We have a healthy "race" going on. There are many that I know that will not go to the HF bands. They have that right. I want them to enjoy what they do and they want me to enjoy it too. Some of those "no-code people" know the code much better than I. They support me, and I them.

No, you're not inferior, or a non-CW person, you are a Ham. Please try again. Maybe you are trying too hard, or not trying at all.

I will be a friend to the tech or novice, even when I get my general ticket. Look for me, or anyone like me.

73 or whatever you like...

N3RJY
--Adam

1246. Re: Dentron Clipperton L

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34BAC74A.5B8C004C@flash.net>
Source record: 181727

jonk wrote:

> Hi All,
> Just tried to put into service the Dentron Linear Amp. The tubes
> light and so does the power light, but not Plate voltage or current. Nothing
> else happens.
> Anyone know of official or unofficial person providing support and/or
> repairs for this?

Jonathan:

I worked as a tech for Dentron as a young whipper snapper, but has been many many moons ago. I'll see if I can find an old schematic but for starters take a look at the ouput of the transformer itself, I'd go so far as to disconnect the HV from the diode bank to give you a 'clean' measurement. The wires are fairly stiff so you can remove them from the diode/capacitor board, raise them up and use test clips. If I remember correctly (and I may not) the voltage is somewhere around 3kv so I don't recomend touching probes to it. One slip and you'll either be dead or feel like someone hit you in the arm with a baseball bat. (I lived to tell you).

If you have voltage there, your in good shape, at that point you can start looking for an open diode. If one were shorted you'd still get voltage to the filter caps. You can replace it with just about any generic diode of the same rating. If you have no open diodes theres not much left, make sure you short the hot side of the caps to ground before measuring the diodes, do this after the amp has set for a min or two. There were some bleeder resistors on some models but not all. If your not getting voltage at the transformer things are not so hot. You'll need a new one, there is a web site for Peter Dahl, the supplier of the original transformer, where you can get a replacement. The price is around $150 give or take a few scheckles, or I've got one here new which I'll depart with for less. Wish I would have liberated more goodies when the bank came to close the doors! :)

Tim, ka8ddz

1247. I would be in favour

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <1637103186-980112152200@privates.org>
Source record: 181728

RE: I would be in favour
BY: W6RCA <CMOORE@SEDONA.INTE to ALL on Sun Jan 11 1998 07:43 pm

> Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there
> were wall-to-wall CW signals. Now there is an average of two or three.
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)
Hmmm, maybe because there is wall to wall foriegn broadcast stations there now.
I can hear a few CW signals trying to hold QSOs between the Middle Eastern
Singers and East Asian Army Opera...There is nothing like listening to a CW
transmission with an Asian Rock Band transmitted via AM warbling in the back
ground while you are in CW mode. Jimmy Hendrix only comes close. :)
Happy DXing
73 DE N3JNC, Mark
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* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *

1248. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34b985a0.25658607@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Greetings

I can appreciate your emotional comments concerning the disaster in Montreal. I have been watching it on tv almost every night.

With respect to your comments about cw not being used, I think, once the problems have cleared and the amateurs assess their progress, or lack of it, you will find that cw was used in communications. The problem with cw is that most cw enthusiasts, don't shout about their successes.

Unfortunately, it is also very easy to listen to the various vhf and uhf repeaters and hear the messages being exchanged but it is not that easy to listen in on the rapid cw nets exchanging the messages at 25, plus, words per minute.

Before you slam the cw traffic nets, and the use of cw, get in touch with a cw net operate and ask him/her for visit to his/her shack during a time when disaster traffic is being exchange and ask them to translate the cw to voice for you. I think you would be pleasantly surprised as to how much of a part cw is playing in the various disasters that effect us.

Larry ve3fxq

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 15:05:41 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
>http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
>for emergency purposes.
>Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
>on 2m repeaters... not on HFs.
>I see no CWer(pro-coder) who is active to help others out on 2m freqs.
>too bad. well, they have no VHF rigs anyway. they can't do anything
>about it. yeah, you are right.
>CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
>about it again.
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>
>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:

>http://www.nocode.org
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
>Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1249. Re: Need weather satellite frequenties !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34BA98C0.57C7@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 181730

Richard Allen wrote:
>
> Xsubmarine@airnet.netY (CRT) wrote:
> > >
> > > >The internet has all satellite photo's. Why bother with that stuff?
> > >
>
> The internet certainly does not have ALL satellite photos. The
> low Earth orbit sats transmit continuously and do so over areas
> that have no simple internet access ...
>
> Richard W5SXD@amsat.org
==========
Hello,

the small rural community that I live in has only on ISP. I have
serious doubts that I could connect to the internet during severe WX.

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

1250. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34baab6a.1406209@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181731

Thank you.
Larry

On 12 Jan 1998 05:57:23 GMT, tsum3drac@aol.com (Tsum3Drac) wrote:

>>On Off Keying = OOK Carrier on, Carrier off. To be
>>contrasted with modulated CW where the morse signal
>>is moduated onto the carrier as a tone and the carrier
>>is always present. Like the morse idents that FM
>> repeaters use.
>
>In other words OOK means A1 modulation as opposed to A2 ?

1251. Hamfest information on the web!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@NOSPAM.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34b9751b.634559@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 181751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.shortwave

Looking for all the latest information about those WINTER HAMFESTS??

To get the scoop, visit:

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamlynx/hamfests.htm

73 to all!

Bry, AF4K

1252. mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Nobby <nobby@nor.com.au>
Message-ID: <34BA3B4E.73BD6086@nor.com.au>
Source record: 181752

can anyone help with 11mtr mod for icom740

1253. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: "john c. frenzel" <ethrane@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34B96682.570199F9@flash.net>
Source record: 181753

larry wrote:
>
> I have read a few messages which talk about OOK morse. Would
> somewone enlighten me on what OOK morse is?
> Larry ve3fxq

On Off Keying = OOK Carrier on, Carrier off. To be contrasted with modulated CW where the morse signal is moduated onto the carrier as a tone and the carrier is always present. Like the morse idents that FM repeaters use.
John KA4JDU

1254. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34b96750.374429@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181754

wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) wrote:

>>i would bet you that if we retested every ham in the USA today that
>>less than 10% would pass (even the Technician exam). A great way to
>>kill off the hobby.
>>
>>W4SCO
>>
>>
>
> If you retested the No-Code you would Probably have a 1 to 2 percent pass rate

Do you mean the TECHNICIAN license class? There is no No-Code
license.

W4SCO

1255. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34b96738.18806238@news.total.net>
Source record: 181755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On 11 Jan 1998 16:49:42 GMT, "D Stark" <nf2g@ggw.org> wrote:

>
>W6RCA wrote in message <34B8F4FE.52AB@ibm.net>...
>>Cutie Boy wrote:
>>> she changes the channels, but then she appears in different repeater
>>> freq (2m repeaters are packed in and around montreal area).
>>> what can I do ?? ;-)
>>
>>Tell her that, given your scanning needs, it is impossible for
>>you to avoid hearing *everything* she says on the phone.
>>
>>73, Cecil, W6RCA
>
>If the neighbor gets too nasty, I would complain to Industrie Canada that
>her consumer equipment is interfering with licensed amateur radio operators.
>I don't know if I.C. would respond in any similar fashion to the FCC, but it
>might help. Also, CRRL should be able to provide you with material on
>dealing with RFI.
>
>73 de Dave, NF2G

and hey, here in Montreal, emergency traffics are going on the freqs.
Fortunately, the freq where she appears isn't used for emergency
purposes or I should say repeater location is out of electricity.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

1256. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34bb5e67.17350422@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181756

michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote:

>X-No-Archive: yes
>In <34cbfc67.13068348@news.cyberhighway.net>
>glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) writes:

>>What it would do is kill off what's left of the hobby in short order,
>>and allow it to be sold to the highest bidder without any hassles.

[...]

>During 43 years of being a licensed ham I have been involved in all
>kinds of RF from 100 mw walkie-talkies to 500,000+ watt shortwave
>transmitters to multi-megawatt TV transmitters and more.
>
>Professionally I am considered competant and knowledgable by those I do
>consulting work for. And yet... if I was told I would have to re-test
>to keep my ham license, I would let it lapse because I am personally
>tired of being dictated to by those with-in the ranks of Amateur Radio
>who have the attitude they know what is best for me.

I don't have anything like your qualifications, but I'd let my ticket lapse, as well. Then a few friends and myself would use our sites to put up a community repeater so we could keep in touch, and join the ranks of those lobbying to give the poorly used ham bands to other services. An expanded FRS could make very good use of a chunk of two meters, for example.

Of course, this is all just idle chatter. Re-testing is never going to be seriously proposed, much less implemented.

>My commercial Radiotelephone License which was originally issued in
>1958 as a First Class License and now Grandfathered to a General
>Radiotelephone License is good for the rest of my life... no
>re-training or re-certification needed... and this is for a COMMERCIAL
>license. Why would a license that is avowedly and legally prevented
>from being used for commercial use and is considered for hobby purposes
>only be any less?

Good point.

>The Telecommunication Industry would dearly love to have the millions
>of dollars worth of frequencies the Hams are sitting on and if the
>ranks shrink much more, they will probably get their wish.

I don't think there's much doubt that we are going to eventually lose more of the ham bands. They're just too valuable to leave in the

possession of a few aging hobbyists. Either that, or ham radio will continue to be changed in the direction of a real "citizens" radio service.

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1257. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lee St.Clair" <w7ax@montananet.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1efb$ff4e7b80$55e004d0@default>
Source record: 181757
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Glenn, AA5PK <aa5pk@qsl.net> wrote in article
<69bm0j$807@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>...
> > You might try to think about it at least once before you show the
> > world your total ignorance.
> >
> > Dick W0EX
>
> Too late, Dick. He's already shown his ignorance many times over.
>
> Glenn AA5PK
> I agree with you Glenn and Dick. Most real hams have forgotten more than
this guy will ever know
W7AX said that
>
>

1258. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ray Brown <r_brown@getonthe.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1f04$6eb492e0$49068ed0@r_brown.getonthe.net>
Source record: 181758

> (MailfrmPA) writes:
>
> >>I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when
> >traveling,
> >but very rarely hear any activity on either one.

I have 146.52 in my mobile and h/t. We have a couple of local folks that QSO on 146.52 almost every night at 7pm. (shrug)

HOWEVER, there are _several_ folks in my area working 52.520 and 52.525. In fact, one fellow, talking on 52.520, but conversing with folks on 52.525, has worked 17 l/d grid squares in the past week, including the East Coast and the Phoenix, AZ area. I myself heard one on 52.525 from Phoenix, but couldn't get thru. I did, however, on 50.125. On _10_watts_. :-)

Ray KB0STN

1259. New Listserv for "Tornado Alley" SKYWARN.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ray Brown <r_brown@getonthe.net>
Message-ID: <01bd1f08$3846b7c0$49068ed0@r_brown.getonthe.net>
Source record: 181759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.talk.weather,alt.disasters.misc,alt.disasters.planning,rec.ham-radio

Howdy! It's time to start thinking about severe weather in Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri. To that end, I would like to announce the creation of a new Listserv for folks who are interested in, or already participate in, the SKYWARN program in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri. One does _not_ have to be a licensed amateur radio operator to participate in SKYWARN, although "ham" radio does play a major role in getting information to and from the various National Weather Service offices.

This Listserv will _NOT_ be used for issuing any watches or warnings, but rather to discuss what SKYWARN does, information about training classes, and related matters (including discussion of ARES and REACT). Anyone is welcome to participate (subscribe), but this Listserv will concentrate on the 4 central States that make up "Tornado Alley".

To participate, contact the Administrator for the Listserv - me! :-) Send a message to r_brown@getonthe.net and I'll send you the URL information.

Thanks, and 73 (Best Regards)!

Ray Brown, KB0STN
Assistant EC, Jasper Co, MO ARES

1260. Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: David and Cathy Thomas <dick.head@juno.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1f08$708e1100$4b4682d0@fgi.mail.fgi.net>
Source record: 181760

Can someone describe the basic tuning procedures for the kenwood 520s, I don't have the instruction manual.

David C. Thomas
KA9AXJ

1261. Re: A message to hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <whagen@inreach.com>
Message-ID: <34B98F00.3EA7@inreach.com>
Source record: 181761
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave

burt fisher wrote:
>
> This is a message to you hams i am very sorry for the busting of you
> hams,but you see i am just a drunk and and the biggest asshole around
> because i am a wife beater and a lousy teacher and i beat my daughter to
> a pulp every niteso please forgive me plus a have a gay relationship with
> jim obrian
>
> ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
you type pretty well for being drunk.
as for the rest, sounds like a personal problem

1262. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69c3ehmsm1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181762

On 1998/01/11 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)

>Question for Tommy: how does this (as you have claimed) show that I either
>currently live in Kansas and/or have previously lived in Florida?
>
>Note for those who are having a tough time following the quotations: "CB RAMBO
>is quoted as sending the lines prefaced by "-". The other party sent the ">"
>lines. Thus, "CB RAMBO" did NOT send the "I live in Wichita" line.
>
>What's your answer, Tommy?

Trying to change the subject of your racism aren't you?

Would you care to explain how your racist posts appeared on ks.misc and not on any other state newsgroups? And would you care to explain how you're so knowledgeable about Orlando being a "crime mecca" and how there are too many "criminals", or is this something you're parroting from the six o'clock news?

Or do you really think that everyone is so naive as to stare into the sun and ask for proof of its existence?

(BTW, there was one previous reply that I wrote and the news server accepted it, but it never showed up as being posted. It may or may not appear.)

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1263. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980112035700.WAA22507@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181763

>Do you mean the TECHNICIAN license class? There is no No-Code
>license.
>
>W4SCO
>
>

I mean the Technician Class that doesnt have a CW Test which Im sure you knew

1264. Sams CB Photofact Book #93 BADLY needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Eric <familys@erols.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1f11$c6441e60$94e1accf@pfamilys.ziplink.net>
Source record: 181764
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.shortwave

I'm looking for Sams CB Photofact Book #93 . I don't need the actual book,
but I really need some info in the book regarding the Pace CB144. Please,
if anyone has this book, can you please email me a familys@erols.com ???
I would really appreciate it since I am having problems with my Pace cb
radio. Thank you in advance.

1265. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980112042100.XAA01517@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181765

>> (MailfrmPA) writes:
>>
>> >>I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when
>> >traveling,
>> >but very rarely hear any activity on either one.
>

> I have 146.52 in my mobile and h/t. We have a couple of local folks that
>QSO on 146.52 almost every night at 7pm. (shrug)
>
> HOWEVER, there are _several_ folks in my area working 52.520 and 52.525.
>In fact, one fellow, talking on 52.520, but conversing with folks on
>52.525, has worked 17 l/d grid

>squares in the past week, including the East
>Coast and the Phoenix, AZ area. I myself heard one on 52.525 from Phoenix,
>but couldn't get thru. I did, however, on 50.125. On _10_watts_. :-)

>_Ray_ KB0STN

I did not! It was that 'ol CBimbo!
Let's hear him SQUEAL LIKE A PIG!!!

K&#65533;MB

1266. FS: Drake RR-1 Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ben Wallace <bwallace@sd.cts.com>
Message-ID: <01bd1f11$be1cb760$3506a3cd@bwallace.cts.com>
Source record: 181766

I have for sale a Drake RR-1 Receiver in very good condx.
Works great. Includes original manual + top and bottom covers. Also
includes power cable with "cannon" plug.

$375 plus shipping.

Ben
WB8HUR -- San Diego

1267. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69c7bl$fdk@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181767

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34e53f95.30269850@news.cyberhighway.net>,
> Glen Quarnstrom <address@sig> wrote:

>>For that matter, I will bet you a weeks pay that even on 2 meters, the
>>total ham allocation is busy less than 20 percent of the total time in
>>any given week, in your area.

>Well, let's see....

>Since the average person works days, it is extremely likely that s/he will
>not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on the
>radio from 11pm-7am, when most people are sleeping.

Oh, I get it. If there's congestion in your favorite operating time
then we already have too many hams even though 80% of the time
the bands are unoccupied. Is that it?

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1268. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69c8a6$fjn@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181768

glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:

>michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote:
>>Professionally I am considered competant and knowledgable by those I do
>>consulting work for. And yet... if I was told I would have to re-test
>>to keep my ham license, I would let it lapse because I am personally
>>tired of being dictated to by those with-in the ranks of Amateur Radio
>>who have the attitude they know what is best for me.

>I don't have anything like your qualifications, but I'd let my ticket
>lapse, as well. Then a few friends and myself would use our sites to
>put up a community repeater so we could keep in touch, and join the
>ranks of those lobbying to give the poorly used ham bands to other
>services. An expanded FRS could make very good use of a chunk of two
>meters, for example.

>Of course, this is all just idle chatter. Re-testing is never going
>to be seriously proposed, much less implemented.

Which is why I've stayed out of the discussion. Frankly, retesting
makes little sense as others have pointed out. There are plenty
of proffesional licenses holders that don't face retesting and they
involve potentially life and death consequences as in the case of a
doctors.

The reality is that once a license is issued (ham or otherwise)
each individual can pursue whatever interests them. As such, some
subject areas get forgotten while others may be enhanced.
Do I really care what the details are of amateur TV (a
subject I have no interest in)? The bottom line is that if
something interests me I will delve into the technical aspects
necessary. That's true in amateur radio just as it is in
industry. Could every EE today pass their finals they took
in college to get that degree? I doubt it. Ditto for just
about every other ype of license.

In any case...I see no future that includes retesting
and just as well.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1269. Re: Hams on 2m 146.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69c8sg$fjn@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181769

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>Dwight, there is not a single 'calling frequency' since each mode has it's
>own band plan. If you called on 50.125 with FM your chances of a response
>are slim to none since everyone is listening SSB. Same for calling on
>52.525 with SSB.

>52.525 Primary FM simplex
>52.4 Secondary FM simplex
>50.125 SSB calling frequency

There is a fairly new effort to shift the SSB calling frequency
to 50.2 to help spread the contacts over more of
the band (i.e. domestic SSB from 50.125 to 50.300).

>Local AM groups may have their own simplex or calling frequencies

That is 50.4

>but the
>ones listed above come from the ARRL band plan.

The 50.200 change is only within the last few months.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
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1270. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: senior@snet.net
Message-ID: <69c948$i51@news2.snet.net>
Source record: 181770

Jim Stallings <jim@mcws.net> wrote:

>Does anyone know what mods are available for it, and if they work?

>Thanks and 73
>kd4zot

I've done all the posted mods to the FT-50R. I found they all work as advertised except the software one, which did no give me the extended transmit it promised. I understand that the effectiveness of that one varies with the serial number. Earlier models are better.

For Mods:

http://freenet.msp.mn.us/people/keacher/mods.html

Bart Senior
KC5VUO
Sea Ya!

Bart Senior, ARS: KC5VUO

1271. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: tsum3drac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980112055701.AAA27861@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181771

>On Off Keying = OOK Carrier on, Carrier off. To be
>contrasted with modulated CW where the morse signal
>is moduated onto the carrier as a tone and the carrier
>is always present. Like the morse idents that FM
> repeaters use.

In other words OOK means A1 modulation as opposed to A2 ?

1272. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b9c3a5.12544870@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181772

On 12 Jan 1998 02:47:51 GMT, "Ray Brown" <r_brown@getonthe.net> wrote:

>
>> (MailfrmPA) writes:
>>
>> >>I have both these frequencies punched in for active scanning when
>> >traveling,
>> >but very rarely hear any activity on either one.
>
> I have 146.52 in my mobile and h/t. We have a couple of local folks that
>QSO on 146.52 almost every night at 7pm. (shrug)
>
> HOWEVER, there are _several_ folks in my area working 52.520 and 52.525.
>In fact, one fellow, talking on 52.520, but conversing with folks on
>52.525, has worked 17 l/d grid squares in the past week, including the East
>Coast and the Phoenix, AZ area. I myself heard one on 52.525 from Phoenix,
>but couldn't get thru. I did, however, on 50.125. On _10_watts_. :-)
>
> _Ray_ KB0STN
>
>
I actually use 146.52 when travelling and do sometimes manage to make
some qso's. Each summer I go to a friends cabin on several weekends;
it is located in the mountains of southwest Utah; from the elevation I
do better than when travelling the flatlands. Just a quick anecdote:
While stopped to fish in a stream, I got a bit chilled and went back
to the truck to warm up and started calling CQ on 146.52, made contact
with a guy from my home state (I relocated 18 years ago) who happened
to be traveling through Utah and found he was from a town near where I
grew up, the qso was short - less than 10 minutes - but it was a good
qso nonetheless.

Regarding 6 meters, I stick with 50.125 SSB and have a ball - when
conditions are good. Speaking of which, the past few days have been
awesome! Double hops from so-cal to Florida and the Carolinas!! Ray,
I have worked several 0-calls on SSB but not you yet - maybe we will
run into each other on the band. One of the Florida qso's was on, get
this.......AM (yes, it is still used)!

Mr. Rambo I hope this helps your survey.

Howard
KE6MAK

1273. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34b9bff7.11601973@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181773
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 11 Jan 1998 13:54:21 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
(Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34b8deac.6443292@news.total.net>,
> Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
>
>>We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
>>http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
>>for emergency purposes.
>>Moreover, the ones who are handling emergency stuffs are those active
>>on 2m repeaters... not on HFs.
>...
>>CW and CWers are good for emergency communication, eh ????? think
>>about it again.
>
>Do you think any of what you state above is "new news"?
>
>Most emergency situations are local in nature. Therefore, the bulk of
>emergency traffic tends to be handled on VHF frequencies, specifically,
>the 2 meter band, being the most widely used VHF band. Since FM
>is the predominent mode on VHF 2 meters, its only natural that there
>would be all FM and no CW traffic, since almost nobody does CW on 2 meters.
>
>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>-- with my guns.
>--
>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

If I may build on what you started Mike:

And any communications from the affected area to other areas will be
on.....HF! Or perhaps via satellite for the governmental agencies.
But all the H&W traffic will be via HF by hams, though that traffic
will (should) take back seat to efforts to directly support the
agencies in need of communications support - at least that is what my
RACES group puts forth. I live in Southern California and all of our
emergency communications plans utilize VHF/UHF for local coms and HF
for statewide/national coms.

Masa, re-think what is going on and how ham radio is being used to
serve the 'Client Agencies'; in particular what the needs of those
agencies are. Next, discuss with the hams that spearheaded that

support how they would have responded if the Client Agencies asked for support in keeping in touch with any of their sites in let's say Vancouver, BC. You might be using tunnel vision here and that will only serve to limit your own intellectual base.

and now a tribute to Mikes' signature, which still makes me laugh:

to the tune of "George of the Jungle

SON,SON
SON,SONNY BONO
WATCH OUT FOR THAT TREE!
SON,SON
SON,SONNY BONO
DIED LIKE A KENNEDY!

Howard

1274. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34bec28d.42992082@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181774

billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl) wrote:

>kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>
>>In article <34e53f95.30269850@news.cyberhighway.net>,
>> Glen Quarnstrom <address@sig> wrote:
>
>>>For that matter, I will bet you a weeks pay that even on 2 meters, the
>>>total ham allocation is busy less than 20 percent of the total time in
>>>any given week, in your area.
>
>>Well, let's see....
>
>>Since the average person works days, it is extremely likely that s/he will
>>not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on the
>>radio from 11pm-7am, when most people are sleeping.
>
>Oh, I get it. If there's congestion in your favorite operating time
>then we already have too many hams even though 80% of the time
>the bands are unoccupied. Is that it?

What he seems to be saying is "I got mine, Jack, so screw you!"

Is there any other hobby that actively tries to discourage new people
from joining in the hobby?
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1275. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69bsnu$5so$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181775

On 1998/01/11 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>Question for Tommy: how does this (as you have claimed) show that I either
>currently live in Kansas and/or have previously lived in Florida?
>
>Note for those who are having a tough time following the quotations: "CB RAMBO
>is quoted as sending the lines prefaced by "-". The other party sent the ">"
>lines. Thus, "CB RAMBO" did NOT send the "I live in Wichita" line.
>
>What's your answer, Tommy?

Trying to change the subject of your racism aren't you? How about
answering why your racist posts appear on ks.misc and not on
any other state's newsgroup? How come you're so knowledgeable about
Orlando being a "crime mecca" which, in another post, also happened to
be on ks.misc and nowhere else?

Proof you say? Proof can be interpreted in different ways depending on the
context in which it is presented, just as I have done. So how about
convincing me otherwise?

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1276. Re: Rep. Tauzin to Downsize FCC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Harv Minlow <yr1w@n17net.com>
Message-ID: <69d2umpti1@usenet51.supernews.com>
Source record: 181776
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.pirate,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Amazing! The spin control and B.S. coming out of the
FCC is still so good that people still believe the FCC &
FCC- CIB are "understaffed."

What is left in the field offices are politically connected
clerical personnel passing themselves off as some sort
of technical specialists. In reality, they are rules &
regulations clerks and telephone clerks hiding behind
impressive job titles that pay them up to $$90,000 a
year! And for that money they sit in field offices with
unlisted telephone numbers, sleeping, surfing the internet,
shopping on government time, leaving early, etc.

They fear & hate Rep. Tauzin because he is on to
their fraud, waste, & abuse. Their days of cheating,
yes cheating, the U.S. taxpayer are just about over
AND they know it! Thus, the last big push to grab all
the taxpayer money they can before Tauzin shuts
down the whole corrupt mess.

Wake up! While you slave at your jobs and the IRS
confiscates up to 40% of your pay checks, FCC - CIB
bureaucrats laugh at you. Ask anyone who has had
recent contact with the FCC. They are arrogant,
lazy, & worthless!

Look out FCC, Tauzin is heading your way!

1277. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...How many actually use these?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980112124201.HAA05089@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181777

In article <34b9c3a5.12544870@news.earthlink.net>, hmkarse@earthlink.net writes:

>Mr. Rambo I hope this helps your survey.

Yes. Thanks.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1278. Re: Mod for FT50RD???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B9F3A2.1CF1@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181778

> Mike Lamanna <mustang@kickit.pgh.net> wrote...
>
> Does anyone know if the new FT50RD is Mars/CAP expandable???
> please let me know

REPLY...

Absolutely. In fact, you can get a paper directly from Yeasu, and
possibly from your dealer, which explains exactly how to do this.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1279. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B9F02C.E2E@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181779

> Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote...
>
> Dwight, there is not a single 'calling frequency' since each mode
> has it's own band plan. If you called on 50.125 with FM your chances
> of a response are slim to none since everyone is listening SSB.
> Same for calling on 52.525 with SSB.

REPLY...

Actually, I probably have a better chance of getting a response using FM on the 50.125 SSB frequency. SSB operators are real touchy about people using other modes on their frequencies, and are real quick to tell anybody who does so. Hence, a quick response.

A joke people (humor), don't get excited.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1280. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B9F2D4.17BE@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181780

> mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote...
>
> Atta Boy! Don't let your *opinion* get obscured by any observation,
> survey, or other form of fact gathering!

REPLY...

I explained in my message what I was basing my opinions on. In fact,
much of my message was about what I was basing my viewpoint on.

You just decided to take a paragraph out of context to justify your
comment above.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1281. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BA24DA.62CE@ibm.net>
Source record: 181781
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Walt Davidson wrote:
> It has always
> acted as a very simple and effective "CB riff raff filter"!

No Walt, not "always". When I took my Morse code test back in
the early 50's, the hams on 10m sounded *exactly* like the riffraff
on 11m at the time. :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1282. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B9CD0E.3B65@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181782
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> wrote...
>
> > Dwight Stewart wrote:
> > I was not aware that any of us were arguing, Cecil.
>
> "The term 'argument' refers to the basic unit of reasoning, and we
> define it as 'a unit of discourse in which beliefs are supported by
> reasons'." "Logic, An Introduction" by Lionel Ruby, ï¿½1950, J.B.
> Lippincott Co.
>
> So you see, Curtis, you guys were arguing whether you realized it or
> not.

REPLY...

The American Heritage dictionary describes an argument as "a quarrel or dispute." It describes a quarrel as "an angry dispute or altercation." Only on rare occasions does this discussion reach that level of discourse. In many cases, we simply disagree with each other (and voice our strong opinions).

Of course, another definition of argument is "a discussion of differing points of view or a debate." We are certainly having that type of argument. So, if that is what you meant, you are correct (besides, I don't want to argue about what an argument is).

By the way, my name is Dwight, not Curtis. Or do you want another argument about people who cannot get names straight. ;-)

Dwight Stewart

1283. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34B9E25A.4A2C@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181783
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

> michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote....
>
> A 'test' will not, in and of itself, guarantee competance, ability
> or even a non-anti-social personality.

I think a great many people have the wrong idea about the license tests in Amateur radio. The Amateur radio tests are not, and never were, designed to test competence, or ability. They are just a basic test of rules, safety, and elementary operating knowledge, to be used at a given license level.

The whole purpose of Amateur radio is for non-professional people to experiment, and learn, about radio. The competence, and ability, comes after you get the license (not from the license itself, or from the test for that license).

For example, the Novice, and Technician, tests are designed to keep people from electricuting themselves, frying their brains with RF, blowing up their radio (or themselves), or interfering with the rest of the radio community, while they are learning and experimenting. The other license tests only expand on this basic goal.

Of course, there is only so far one can go with a test - no test is going to stop an idiot from sticking his hands into a 1500watt linear when he should not. But, if the idiot survives, he will have learned something (if nothing else, not to do that).

Anyway, back to the discussion. Read the basis and purpose of the Amateur service as described in section 97. 97.1(b) says the amateur service is for the "Continuation and extension of the amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art.

97.1(c) says "Encouragement and improvement of the amateur service through rules which provide for advancing skills in both the communications and technical phases of the art."

Note the words "continuation," "extension," "improvement," and "advancing," in those paragraphs. No license was supposed to be an end to the goals of the license holder. It was supposed to be a beginning of the learning at that license level. Each license holder is supposed to continue to improve and advance beyond their present level of knowledge (and that includes the Amateur Extra).

What I am trying to say is that each test is an introduction to what is needed to safely learn during the next level, not necessarly a test of stuff learned in the last level. The amateur is supposed to take

what is on that test and go out in his/her world and apply it (through experimentation and usage).

To take this further, no amateur license, or test, is supposed to be designed to keep people out. Part 97.1(d) continues on to say the purpose of Amateur is the "Expansion of the existing reservoir within the radio service of trained operators, technicians and electronics experts.

So, a primary purpose of Amateur radio, and by extension the tests, is to bring people in, not to keep people out. This purpose is different from say the commercial radio license, or even the pilot license you mentioned.

In each of these cases, the people receiving the license are using them out in the real world (where people's lives, safety, or comfort, depend on these people).

In the case of the commerical radio license, the holder of this license is responsible for insuring that the information, which might affect people's safety or comfort, continues to reach them. This license is designed to insure the license holder is capable to doing that. And the purpose of the pilot license is obvious.

But, this is not the case of the radio amateur. Others do not HAVE to depend on us for their safety or welfare. Note this is different from where we volunteer to offer such services and people choose to depend on us for information which might effect their safety, or for the exchange of information which might affect their welfare.

The amateur radio service exists mainly for the amateur radio operator to learn. It is the amateur radio operator who receives the benefit from the amateur radio service (through self-education).

The tests, at each license level, are only designed to give the operator the basics needed to continue that self-education at that license level. They are not a test of competance, or ability, at that license level.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1284. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-12 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnorris@k7nono.com
Message-ID: <34bb224a.2517727@news.dancris.com>
Source record: 181784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Walt Davidson wrote:
>> It has always
>> acted as a very simple and effective "CB riff raff filter"!
>
>No Walt, not "always". When I took my Morse code test back in
>the early 50's, the hams on 10m sounded *exactly* like the riffraff
>on 11m at the time. :-)
>
>73, Cecil, W6RCA

Of course CB didn't come along until about 1957 or 58. I operated 11 m as a beginning ham in 1956-7 when the band was screaming (as were all bands). Had a ball working the hi freqs when the sunspot cycle was fabulous! CQ 10 ... This is K0DON..... Let the fun begin.

1285. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113010600.UAA24708@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181585

>I can recommend the Audio mod from Steve Donnel also, it
>brings a great improvmend of the Audio Sound.

As opposed to the *non-audio sound*, which seems to be inaudible!

K&#65533;MB

1286. Re: Attitudes of hams when asked a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113011100.UAA25490@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181586

>> "Give a man a piece of bread, and you've fed him for a day.
>> Teach him to harvest, and you've fed him for a lifetime."
>>
>> Jeff KH2PZ/7, K7/H0CW

>You got it wrong, Jeff. That maxim goes like this:
>
>"Give a man a fish, and you have fed him for a day.
> Teach a man to fish, and he sits in a boat all day
> and drinks beer."
>
>73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

Or, give him a computer and internet account, and he'll ask someone to explain to him a) how to shop; b)where the stores are; c)how to cook; d) how to eat; d)how to void the waste products; and, finally,e) are there any mods?????????

KMB

1287. Re: HW 24 T Heath

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113011200.UAA04110@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181587

>Need To Know What Component Q 202 Is On The Main Board Of My Heath Hw 24 T
>The Part Can Be Seen By Removing The Rear Cover & Looking On The Main Board
>Next To The Ribbon Cable. Needed Schematics & Manual Etc Help
>73's KD5BAY

Whoa! You took off the cover and looked inside??????????

1288. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113013301.UAA29067@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181588

In article <19980112195701.OAA11573@ladder01.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>>When
>you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact:
>CW is
>nothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands.

As it
>should be

Not when we're talking about publicly-owned frequencies and government-issued licenses.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1289. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <69efb6$g2s@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 181589
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

In article <69dd7p$jco@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:
>
>This is absolute rubbish. It has no basis in fact at all and
>you should know that. IF CW acted as such a filter then
>we'd expect to find the riff raff of CB types (not a description
>I agree with by the way) on VHF and the simple fact is
>that we find no more or less bad apples on VHF (the nocode
>techs) then we do on HF where code is required.

>There has been absolutely no statistical support for any
>assertion that code filters out while the theory test
>doesn't.

I entirely agree. It appears the debate, although centered on the Morse issue, is really about who we should keep out of amateur radio. Although there are some among the pro-code group who are sincere in their views about the merits of code, I think most defend the code requirement simply because they fear the unruly hoardes which might be unleashed onto their bands. The thing that none of them would admit is that they are not so much pro-CW as they are anti-CB. They aren't as much pro-code as they are anti no-code. They use their "virtue of code" arguments as camoflage for their deep-seated resentments of those with views and values which differ from theirs.

Who we should keep out, or rather how many we should keep out - perhaps that's the issue. The more people we keep out, the more "special" we are - the more exclusive the club, as it were. Those who show the greatest concern, I feel, hold this "exclusivity" in highest regard - higher even than code itself.

It is their fear that motivates them to defend the code tests against all reason - fear of losing.....something. What else besides fear - fear of the unknown perhaps - could explain the ferocity with which they maintain their claims about the necessity for a radio operator to manually modulate and demodulate the encrypted message on a carrier. Yes, CW is a unique feature of the amateur service - one which will naturally persist until the point when, if ever, it becomes completely unsatisfactory to use by everyone under every circumstance. Personally, I would mourn the loss - just like I mourned the loss of our national treasure Jimmy Stewart. That loss was of course inevitable.

The code group argues against something which nobody here has proposed or would wish to achieve: to make getting licenses easier for it's own sake, and to let the un-ruly take over the bands. And they do this using the

guise of upholding standards and defending the practicality and efficiency of Morse.

There is no "need" to make licenses any easier to obtain. There is likewise no need to make it more difficult than necessary. (After all, not everyone aspires to be like us!) The best thing you can say about the code requirement as a filter is that it sorta keeps potential LIDS out - kinda - as well as other folks. But all of the exams do this - with similar efficacy.

It's probably true at this point that 1A "filters" out a greater number of people than does element 3A. On the other hand, elements 3b and 4 probably "filter" out more than element 1B. This should argue for a shift in that direction - toward more comprehensive written exams, and away from code exams.

All it should really take to appease the loyal opposition is a proposal to change the exam structure in such a way as to maintain the current efficacy for "LID filtering" as a replacement for the code test. That efficacy is not significant, but it is also not negligible. A suitable answer for the question of "maintaining standards" will have to be found before there could be hope for resolution on this issue.

These notions of work ethic, earning a license, devotion to the hobby/service, must eventually be dispelled and give way to discussions of requisite and relevant operator qualifications. Morse could continue to be a part of that discussion. But our emphasis in testing that mode should ultimately fall into place along side the other equally important modes we use.

Until then, I guess we'll just continue to hear about how hard some of us worked for our license back in the old days, and how lazy and whiney everybody else is. Keep it coming guys, it's really impressive to listen to - and oh....very persuasive as well!

73,

AC6XG

1290. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: xxxellis@stcloudstate.edu
Message-ID: <69eh3n$8ea$1@news3.mr.net>
Source record: 181590
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <01bd1efb$ff4e7b80$55e004d0@default>, w7ax@montananet.com says...
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>
>Glenn, AA5PK <aa5pk@qsl.net> wrote in article
><69bm0j$807@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>...
>> > You might try to think about it at least once before you show the
>> > world your total ignorance.
>> >
>> > Dick W0EX
>>
>> Too late, Dick. He's already shown his ignorance many times over.
>>
>> Glenn AA5PK
>> I agree with you Glenn and Dick. Most real hams have forgotten more than
>this guy will ever know
> W7AX said that
>>
>>

Quote enough of the original article so that your comments make sense. The
quote should go at the beginning and the response afterward according to
USENET etiquette -

... if there is such a thing as etiquette on USENET ...

73

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Bruce W. Ellis W0BF
Ani-spam: remove XXX from address to email

1291. Re: Mods for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: mrusso@hoflink.com
Message-ID: <34baf5d7.3333178@news.hoflink.com>
Source record: 181591

On Mon, 12 Jan 1998 08:21:43 GMT, senior@snet.net (Bart Senior) wrote:

> except the software one, which did no give me the extended
>transmit it promised. I understand that the effectiveness of that one
>varies with the serial number. Earlier models are better.
>
>For Mods:
>
>http://freenet.msp.mn.us/people/keacher/mods.html

I don' know what software mods you did but
they worked GREAT!!
THANKS TO INGRA-BETON!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
My FT-50 is about 2 months old.

73, Mark

1292. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69eini$l6d$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181592

On 1998/01/11 ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman) wrote:

>>Do you have a degree in anything? Maybe you would like to re-take all of your
>>finals to keep it.

>If you are a competent practitioner in the field, you'd better know the
>materials which qualified you to be a practitioner. Otherwise, your
>license *should* be revoked for incompetence.
>
>Oh, you say some of the things on which you were tested aren't
>relevent to your competence as a practitioner? Sounds like the
>curriculum needs revision.

You're putting "ifs" and other conditionals in my post which I did not
mention, nor did I intend.

My wife has a B.S. in English. She received it in 1984. The field for which
she was a "qualified practitioner" is saturated in our area (N.E. Ohio)
Since 1984, she has worked as a payroll clerk, and promoted to Senior
payroll clerk in 1989. Certainly not the profession for which she schooled
to become a "qualified practitioner".

By your reasoning, she should retake all of her finals in English studies
so that she can continue to keep her job as a payroll clerk. (BTW, she got the
job because of her degree. The company didn't care what it was in)

Ergo, I should retest in fields of satellites, EME techniques, DX operating
procedures, and a host of other stuff I don't use and never will, just so
I can continue to check into a couple of nets.

Someone else posted that if retesting ever materialized, they'd let their
license lapse and then lobby to sell off the amateur bands to the highest
bidder.

You can count me in on that as well.
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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1293. C. I. C 10X

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Ralph C. Noll" <rcnoll@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <69ep9a$bg3@sjx-ixn8.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181593

Swap 10X numbers on the CHANNEL ISLANDS CHAPTER 10X INTERNATIONAL,Net is every Wednesday at 28.340 MHz. UTC time is 18:00-20:00 again at 02:00-04:00. PST time 10am-12noon and 6pm-8pm. 10 meter has been getting more active, so point your antennas to Oxnard, Ca and join in the fun. Nonmembers are most welcome to join the quest for 10-10 numbers. For information e-mail rcnoll@netcom.com. 73

1294. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69epuq$n1j@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181594
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Bill Sohl wrote:
>> And as a filter it doesn't result in any more elimination of bad
>> apples than the theory test does. Any test will keep out
>> some people and the if bad apples only stay away because
>> of code, then why doesn't VHF exhibit a proliferation of
>> bad apple behavior any more than HF does?

>Well, I think VHF does to some extent. My issue is more than just keeping out
>'bad apples' I'll talk to ANYONE on the air but I hear so many no code techs who
>don't seem to really have interest in radio. I seriously don't know why they
>botherd to get licensed. They are very content to have a 2m ht and work the
>repeaters with little to no interest in what makes it all work. I wish I had a
>nickel for each time I've heard someone say "hey Tim I'm just an appliance
>operator, I admit it." Makes me ill.

Not likly then that they'll want to jump to HF is it.

>While CW is no 'cure all' at least those
>who started as Novices and learned how to cut a dipole, listen through the
>noise, actually hear what changes in propagtion sound like, at least those ended
>up with a good foundation of radio basics. By gosh you had to WORK to get that
>first QSO, not just key a mic and say "N8_ _ _ monitoring" When I finally got to
>2m I new something about radio.

>I'm thankful I started out that way, I can see how I may have completly missed
>it all if I jumped right into 2m. And now we want to give HF phone priviliges to
>the same group of guys I hear on 2m who aren't really interested in radio.

Did I miss something? No one has suggested giving
HF to techs. To get on HF the tech would still need
to pass the general exam... unless he or she just wanted
to operate in the novice segements.

>Well
>perhaps it will come to that someday. I joined because I had an interest in
>shortwave radio, communications, electronics and I was willing to pay the price,
>which at the time was learning morse.

That doesn't mean that requirements must be forever static.

> If it mean becoming proficient in another
>language I would have done that too! If you want it, pay the price.

No has suggested otherwise. What we have suggested is
that it is time to change the requirements.

>Rite of
>passage? Old farts club, secret handshake society, I don't care what you call
>it. I'm going to continue to support it for HF priveleges.

Sadly, this comment says it all. You look at CW testing as
nothing more than an initiation.

>Wayne Green argued for years about all the wonderful RF Engineers, Microwave
>Specialists, etc who would bring a wealth of knowlege to our hobby but wouldn't
>join because of the code. Well, where the hell are they 10 years later? Didn't
>seem to do much for VHF and above, based on past performance I can't see how
>it's going to help HF either. So let's drop the 'bad apple' filter thread and
>talk about amateurs who are willing to go the extra mile to get there.

Been there, done that as have many of us that are
working to change the cw test requirement.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1295. Re: ICOM 756 Accessories Availability Stinks

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: W4ABC <w4abc@gte.net>
Message-ID: <69esjlcsh1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 181595

You might try calling International Computer and Radio for the real deal on
their aftermarket filters. I have not personally bought any of the product
line, but reports over the years seem to bode well for the company.
Rick Mudd wrote in message <01bd1eb1$c4b9d680$0ea4cacc@dad>...
>That is true also of 706 ssb filters. Local HRO says 2 months backorder.
>
>John Frank <jackwy@clark.net> wrote in article
><69aomk$ioe@clarknet.clark.net>...
>>
>> On November 15 I purchase an Icom 756 and at the same time
>> ordered a SSB filter for it. It is now almost 2 months later and
>> still no filter. Contacts with my dealer only result in; "Icom
>> says they are back ordered". What a way to run a company. Produce
>> a product but don't have the accessories available for it when
>> you do. For all you thinking of buying Icom; caveat emptor.
>>
>> John WB3ICL
>>
>>

1296. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34BB3382.7777@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 181596

CBRambo wrote:

> ... the Morse requirement in particular: it IS operated much like a
> "country club" with Morse > code being the equivalent of the
> "secret handshake" or other initiation ritual.

Yeah Morse Code is a big secret. If I tell you, I'll have to kill
you...;-]
>
> There is no legal right for these sorts of things to exist where publicly-owned
> radio frequencies are involved and a license issued by the government is
> required in order to participate.

Isn't the 'government' and the 'public' the same thing? Do you
think the 'gov' doesn't have the right to test us for driver
licenses so that we can drive on 'publicly-owned' roads?
NOTE: I guess I should be careful here. There are groups
that think just that. Don't want to start up another
thread with the survivalist/patriot/anti-gov group.

I think the 'government' tests us for a lot of things. Ham
licenses, poultry inspectors, plumbers just to name a few.
Surely every one of those tests include stuff which the
licensee will not use every day.

The day I turned 16 and got my driver license I was proud.
The day(s) I passed my ham license test(s) I was proud.
Take away all of the goals and what's there to be proud of?
Is anyone 'proud' of having a CB license?

Just my observation - Lumpy
--
40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

1297. SQUIRE-SANDERS DESK MIKE WTB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: email@tig.com.au
Message-ID: <69fh75$6p2$5@toto.tig.com.au>
Source record: 181597

I'M LOOKING TO BUY A SQUIRE SANDERS DESK MIKE (LIKE A TURNER +2 BUT A LIGHT GREEN COLOUR)

EMAIL IF YOU CAN HELP,
THANKS !

1298. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113131500.IAA26976@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181598

In article <34BB3382.7777@digitalcartography.com>, Lumpy - ABï¿½GD
<lumpy@digitalcartography.com> writes:

>Isn't the 'government' and the 'public' the same thing? Do you
think the
>'gov' doesn't have the right to test us for driver
licenses so that we can
>drive on 'publicly-owned' roads?

Sure, because there is a compelling interest in doing so. Public safety.
There was once a compelling interest for the government to require Morse
knowledge as a condition of obtaining an amateur radio license. Technology has
progressed to the point, however, where this is no longer the case.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1299. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BB790A.76D6@ibm.net>
Source record: 181599
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Walt Davidson wrote:
> Evidently people like Sohl are either deaf or stupid.

Evidently people like you think "10-4 Good Buddy" is profane.
Do you also object to foreign languages on your repeaters?
I think I'll start objecting to those nasty British accents.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1300. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BB7A17.6E0@ibm.net>
Source record: 181600
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Walt Davidson wrote:
> The evidence is there for all to see. Just compare the garbage
> typically heard on VHF repeaters with the disciplined activity on the
> HF bands, especially in the CW sub-bands.

Walt, what world do you live in? It sure isn't this one. Come on over
and compare the degree'd techs on the Intel club repeater to the extras
on 75m and 20m HF.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1301. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BB7D02.2DEF@ibm.net>
Source record: 181601
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Gary Coffman wrote:
> > Even a flatworm can be conditioned to run mazes. It takes no intelligence
> > to copy Morse, just Pavlovian conditioning to respond to tone sequences.
> > In fact, if you try to think, you screw up. So if Morse selects according to
> > intellect, then it would tend to select disproportionately those of low intellect.
>
> OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses Mouth.
> Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
> all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
> tapeworm can do it.

There you go again, Dick. Gary said absolutely nothing about tapeworms
learning Morse code. He talked about flatworms learning how to run
mazes. Can't you even get such a simple set of facts straight? Are you
so ignorant that you don't know the difference between a flatworm and
a tapeworm?

> So what say let's get off this no-code nonsense and get on with
> spending our time advancing ham radio as *Real Hams* and stop this
> phoney bullshit of griping about how hard it is. You have every one been
> shown up as phonies by one of your Priests of High Technology himself!
> Surely you all don't want to be shown up as being dumber than the
> average Pavlovian dog's tapeworm, now do you?

What we object to, Dick, is being treated like dogs by people like you.
We don't need any of your stinking Pavlovian BOHICA conditioning
suitable
for dogs and dumb shits.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1302. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BB7DD7.46A8@ibm.net>
Source record: 181602
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Walt Davidson wrote:
>
> On Mon, 12 Jan 1998 06:12:42 -0800, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
> >No Walt, not "always". When I took my Morse code test back in
> >the early 50's, the hams on 10m sounded *exactly* like the riffraff
> >on 11m at the time. :-)
>
> The CB riff-raff of the fifties were actually of a higher quality than
> many of today's 10m hams! In those days, at least CB-ers had
> callsigns and were answerable to the FCC.

Ahhhh Walt, you missed the point. In the "early 50's", 11m was a ham band. I remember an 11m contest to try to get the interest up and save the band for hams.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1303. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34BB257D.29A3@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181603

> wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) wrote...
>
> > When you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one
> > simple fact: CW is nothing more than a filter to restrict access
> > to the HF Bands.
>
> As it should be

REPLY...

In section 97.1 of its rules, the FCC describes the basis and purpose of the amateur service. One of those principles is...

97.1(d) Expansion of the existing reservior within the amateur radio service of trained operators, technicians and electronic experts.

Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not keeping people out. If CW testing is an unnecessary barrier to that, then CW testing needs to be removed.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1304. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Frenmar Omstienille <pindor1@zortech.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2033$499ba540$599192ce@default>
Source record: 181604

> >>When
> >you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact:
> >CW isnothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands.
>
> As itshould be
>
>
> Not when we're talking about publicly-owned frequencies and
government-issued
> licenses.

Especially when we are talking about publicly-owned trequencies and
government -issued licenses.
Even more need for this filter.

1305. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113153701.KAA01134@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181605

>Sadly, this comment says it all. You look at CW testing as
>nothing more than an initiation.
>
>

As it should be, dont like it wait 10 Years maybe it will change, for me its back to HF and work some of this great DX

1306. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113154000.KAA12244@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181606

>ome on over
>and compare the degree'd techs on the Intel club repeater to the extras
>on 75m and 20m HF

Who cares about degreed techs, this Hobby doesnt require a Degree

1307. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Frenmar Omstienille <pindor1@zortech.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2038$f1849fa0$599192ce@default>
Source record: 181607

> >>For that matter, I will bet you a weeks pay that even on 2 meters, the
> >>total ham allocation is busy less than 20 percent of the total time in
> >>any given week, in your area.
>
> >Well, let's see....
>
> >Since the average person works days, it is extremely likely that s/he
will
> >not be on the radio between 8am-5pm. Its also unlikely s/he will be on
the
> >radio from 11pm-7am, when most people are sleeping.
>
> Oh, I get it. If there's congestion in your favorite operating time
> then we already have too many hams even though 80% of the time
> the bands are unoccupied. Is that it?

Well, if all are not on for 17 hours and all is congested for 7 hours then only 30% of the total useable time is being used. Since 7 hours is the only time used then it is 100% of the operating time and we can say that the bands are congested 100% of the time. This being the case, we must have too many hams.

1308. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113155400.KAA13507@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181608

>Technology has
>progressed to the point, however, where this is no longer the case.
>
>

Bull your just to Damn lazy to leaRN cw, YOU HAVE THAT TYPICAL GIVE FOR
NOTHING ATTITUDE

1309. Storms in Northwest America

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bb94b0.1289705@news.total.net>
Source record: 181609
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

http://www.radiotelephone.net/storm.htm

- Continuous Coverage Links.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

1310. Re: Cutie Boy Wrote

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bb9534.1421466@news.total.net>
Source record: 181610
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 22:12:29 -0600, Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
wrote:

>> We are having some crisis in Montreal area (Please visit
>> http://cnn.com for more information), but CW and HF are rarely used
>> for emergency purposes.

>Have you ever thought about thinking before engaging your tounge ?

I don't have to think anything. I can see it right now
unfortunately.

All emergency communications are done by cells, VHFs, internet...
chatting are done on HFs.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

1311. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980113115718.25793B-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 181611

> Someone else posted that if retesting ever materialized, they'd let their
> license lapse and then lobby to sell off the amateur bands to the highest
> bidder.

> you can count me in on that as well.

ME TOO!!!!!!!!!!

1312. AirNav - New Mailing List

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Brandao <l42303@alfa.ist.utl.pt>
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.96.980113183651.8023D-100000@alfa.ist.utl.pt>
Source record: 181612

Hi

I would like to say that AirNav - The Aircraft Tracking Software
for Windows - has now a mailing list for interested users.
By subscribing to it you will receive on your email box
information concerning AirNav upgrades.
To subscribe to it just go to AirNav homepage at:

http://www.geocities.com/SiliconValley/Lakes/9420 then click the
download/Mailing List Link and fill the form provided.

Hope this info is your interest, Andre Brandao
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* *
* Andre Brandao *
* E-mail: l42303@alfa.ist.utl.pt *
* *
****

1313. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BBB49D.4DF0@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181613
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Remove extra 'no' wrote:
>
> W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
> >Walt Davidson wrote:
> >> It has always
> >> acted as a very simple and effective "CB riff raff filter"!
> >>
> >No Walt, not "always". When I took my Morse code test back in
> >the early 50's, the hams on 10m sounded *exactly* like the riffraff
> >on 11m at the time. :-)
> >>
> >73, Cecil, W6RCA
>
> Of course CB didn't come along until about 1957 or 58. I operated 11
> m as a beginning ham in 1956-7 when the band was screaming (as were
> all bands). Had a ball working the hi freqs when the sunspot cycle
> was fabulous! CQ 10 ... This is K0DON..... Let the fun begin.

Cecil is playing with words again, trying to make everyone else look stupid, a favorite passtime of his.

What he is actually saying is that the users of 11 meteres in the early 1950's--hams of course--sounded *exactly* like the rifraff they were at the time!!

This is not his first excursion into wordplay where he implies/insinuates/indicates one obvious meaning, then tries to make a reader look like a fool when he "misintperprets" Cecil's wording.

Of course no misinterpretation took place, it's just that Cecil likes vague, double and triple meaning phrases intended to confuse. We're on to you Cecil, Old Chop!

No wonder he doesn't like to talk to strangers on the air. I'm beginning to think Cecil doesn't like ham radio operators any more than Lennie.

Dick W0EX

1314. Uniden SMH400D VHF Tranceiver - Require Diagrams & Programming Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andrew Austin <andrew.austin@virgin.net>
Message-ID: <69gdpq$s92$1@nclient3-gui.server.virgin.net>
Source record: 181614
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,relcom.radio.diagrams,relcom.radio.ham,slac.rec.ham_radio,tnn.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

Can anyone help ??

I require Diagrams and Programming Software / Programming adapter
information for conversion of a Uniden SMH400D VHF transceiver to 144-146
Mhz UK amateur frequencies

Any info to andrew.austin@virgin.net

Regards

Andy

1315. Re: Morse code programs that use the sound card.?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rik Line <rline@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <34BBDFAF.A4C945AA@bigfoot.com>
Source record: 181615
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

There are two programs I am using.

1- Morse Acadamy
http://www.speroni.com/AH0A.html

and

2- Ham University
http://crick.com/hamu/download.html

They are both very good!

Rik!

Darrell Shandrow wrote:

> I am looking for a program that will allow the user to generate Morse code
> using the computer's sound card, such as a Sound Blaster 16. Does anyone
> know of such a program that is shareware or freeware? I suppose that I
> might also be interested in any such commercial software, if there is
> nothing elsewhere. I need to make some code tapes for a ham friend.
> Thanks.

1316. MARS MODS???????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2045$e02204c0$0c1871ce@default>
Source record: 181616

i didnt know we had repeaters or sats on mars, so whats all this im seeing about modifications to talk to mars. the us government says that aliens dont exist. so why are all you people trying to contact mars. what about saturn,venus and those other planets?? has anyone made any contacts on them????

1317. Questions - US Ham in Australia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: fkelcz@facstaff.wisc.edu
Message-ID: <fkelcz.291.00CDD687@facstaff.wisc.edu>
Source record: 181617

Hi All,

Will be going to Australia in a few months and was thinking of taking along 2m/440 HT. However ARRL site seems to imply $50 fee, regardless of how short the visit or the bands used (in contrast New Zealand is NO fee if use > 2m for < 4wks). Am I correct in this?

Is there the equivalent of Family Radio Service/GMRS (462/467 Mhz) in Australia - I am already licensed in GMRS in USA, and could be helpful for short range (simplex) comms between the wife and I (she is not Amateur licensed).

Thanks for any info and help. Please email as I don't frequent this board.

Fred K
ARS N9SLR
GMRS KAE5707

1318. andrews heliax

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <69gra9$8p0@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181618

FOR SALE 500 FT ROLLS OF ANDREWS SUPERFLEX COAX FSJ4-50B
$450 each....new in box (10 reels avail)

DaveSchneider@worldnet.att.net or phone 914 657 6158 fax 914 657
8806

1319. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don McPherson <bjmcpher@usit.net>
Message-ID: <34BBFF66.B4061663@usit.net>
Source record: 181619
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Try being nice. dont waste your life fretting away at old farts and young impertinate assholes!

gambino wrote:

> Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
> Radio in general is stale because of these , pardon my jargon, Old Farts & Know it
> alls.
> When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic enthusiast &
> wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest degree
> (still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
> I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other "younger
> generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know code, or say
> 73's, etc...
> Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you would think,
> every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people, many of
> which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams, simply
> because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was constantly
> harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more experienced"
> guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop. Mind you, I
> was only 25.
> I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run closed
> repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think simply cuz
> I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the same time I
> was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to answer tech
> questions on related topics...
> It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know everything & feel
> bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...
> I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area , Ca.), bunch
> of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are all part
> of the same "old boys club"...
> Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own, but why
> work around assholes I can't stand?
> I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the salary, and
> I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still have ties
> to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I have a truck
> fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that doesn't make a
> better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these old
> assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or debate
> it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am willing to
> spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe me I
> learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share them..
> Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
> Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....

> You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
> It's alright dano, I'm on your side.
>
> DANO wrote:
>
> > as someone making my way into the word of ham radio, i've noticed a common
> > thread betweem the type of people involved in club's,ng's, and even the
> > crowd at hamfest's.
> > when a conversation is started by a newbie asking a question about
> > anything, the initial question gets lost in the disagreement over a phrase
> > or misquote that some "know - it - all" has to throw in. of course the
> > person, who is asking the the question, gets forgotten about cause the rest
> > of the answer from some person walking by is then debated for the rest of
> > the day.
> > HMMMM. seems to me that anyone under 55 yrs old is more interested in
> > "knowing more" than the guy next to him, and i find these rocket scientist
> > to be more anoying than helpful.
> > if everyone was as interested in furthering their "knowledge base" and
> > help the less experienced operators further their's, nobody would have to
> > worry about the loss of ham bands to others.
> >
> > to prove my point, i ask all of you to scan the postings of this
> > group and see how many legit questions asking for help or opinions on
> > equipment are responded to.
> > then look at all the general comments and debates posted with their
> > responces.
> > in one day i saw a ratio of 10:1 in favor of the debates.
> >
> > IN THE 1960'S JFK SAID " ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK
> > WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY"
> >
> > i'm 34, never learned that quote from school, but i practice it every day.
> > anyone else care to give it a try. we just might save ham radio for our
> > children
> >
> > DAN0

1320. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BBF676.2BEB@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
> > And my first receiver, an ARC-5 surplus job
> > heard them all on a single quarter inch of dial.
>
> Yep, that was my first receiver too, a BC-45x and with an IF of 1+ MHz,
> it received ALL of the CW signals in the 40m novice band all at the same
> time. Not liking the results, I mixed the 1+ MHz IF signal down to 455kHz
> and ran the resulting signal into the BC-45x that covered 400-500kHz and
> had an IF of 50kHz. Now that was a sweet CW rig, close to single-
> signal reception and rivaling the performance of a Collins receiver
> after I installed a Q-multiplier.
>
> I think it was QST that had an article about it. Even back then,
> some of us preferred to work smarter, not harder. :-)

Ah, you came up with a Q5'er! Those were more scarce down here in the sticks than the proverbial hens teeth! They weren't to be had even from Fair Radio. (I've got one in the junk box at this time, now that I have no use at all for it). I did the cheap and easy mod, pull a couple plates out of the tuning variable cap. and spread it out by about twice. No too bad, and the *training* and the *skill* I developed on that rig has served me well, even throughout my communications carreer. I could always pick out and understand noisy signals -even voice- where most people without that sort of background couldn't!

Dick W0EX

1321. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Eric Cuthbert <cuthbert@sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <34BBC03B.6D74@sympatico.ca>
Source record: 181621
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kingsnake wrote:
>
> How does a year in the slammer sound???
>
> ricardo wrote:
> >
> > I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
> > and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
> > conversation from a cellular phone,i don´t remenber very well, but i think
> > he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
> > (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
> > He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,
> >
> > It´s possible ? how ?
> > --
> > Ricardo Marques
> > ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt

It may be illegal in the US of A but not everywhere......here in the Great White North it is legal to listen to any wireless signal be it celluar phone, baby monitors, cordless phones, gov't stuff or anything else as long as you don't repeat it or use it to your own benefit... ie...stock market etc.....Whats the difference between listening to your neighbour on a cell phone or listening to the police making a report about your neighbour (which, I believe, is legal in the U.S.A.). If you are using a wireless transmitter, you should have the common sence not to devulge any personal information over any wireless transmition anyways....

Allocations of frequencies aren't private by anymeans and if you have the receivers to receive or the software to decode then you should have the right to listen.....it may not be moral but it shouldn't be prohibited.

There are mods on the internet for just about any amateur radio to receive cellular as well as non-distructive mods (non-permenent) for most cellular phones to become cellular scanners. And I'm sure that someone is working on or has already developed a way to decode digital encryption for celluar phones.....it's only natural...something we can''t have, we want!!

My 2 cents worth anyways....

-=73=- Eric - va3ewcc

1322. Re: MARS MODS???????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
Message-ID: <69h2sv$45n$1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 181622

DANO wrote:
>
> i didnt know we had repeaters or sats on mars, so whats all this im seeing
> about modifications to talk to mars. the us government says that aliens
> dont exist. so why are all you people trying to contact mars. what about
> saturn,venus and those other planets?? has anyone made any contacts on
> them????
>

Trolling, trolling, trolling...

1323. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69h26j$68t$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181623

In article <34BB257D.29A3@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:

> In section 97.1 of its rules, the FCC describes the basis and purpose
>of the amateur service. One of those principles is...
>
> 97.1(d) Expansion of the existing reservior
> within the amateur radio service of trained
> operators, technicians and electronic experts.
>
> Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not keeping
>people out. If CW testing is an unnecessary barrier to that, then CW
>testing needs to be removed.

Let's change a few words:

> Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not keeping
>people out. If theory testing is an unnecessary barrier to that, then theory
>testing needs to be removed.

Yep, that fits.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1324. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: dshandro@nyx.net
Message-ID: <69h3ii$o2u$1@nyx.nyx.net>
Source record: 181624

Yes. The article from the one who did not want to have to be retested for his pilot's license was scarey to me. Being a pilot is a career from which the person usually hopes to make a living. It is also a service that involves the handling of other people's lives. If the pilot is incompetent, many people can die in a plane crash.

Amateur radio is not the same ball game. Amateur radio is not a career. In fact, hams are prohibited from making money from their services, as it should be. I do not support the idea of retesting, and I think that most hams in America would agree with me on this one. It is just too impractical, expensive, and unnecessary.

1325. Re: Attitudes of hams when asked a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <69h5cu$s0b$1@newsfep2.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 181625

>Or, give him a computer and internet account, and he'll ask someone to explain
>to him a) how to shop; b)where the stores are; c)how to cook; d) how to eat;
>d)how to void the waste products; and, finally,e) are there any mods?????????
>
>K<sup>MB

Yes.... and he will probably sign
_._. .._ _ .. . _... _ _ _ _.__ ;-)

K3GB

1326. aviation/scanner etc... new website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Vincent Charron <charv@total.net>
Message-ID: <34BC1C98.291F6F9E@total.net>
Source record: 181626

http://www.total.net/~charv

Thanks for surfing in.

VC

1327. WANTED: 10 Mtr. MOD for DRAKE L7

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: K6ME <K6ME@THEGRID.NET>
Message-ID: <69hgi3$sg1$2@news.ncal.verio.com>
Source record: 181627

LOOKING FOR 10 &17 MOD INFO FOR DRAKE L7

TNX: TERRY >k6me@psln.com<

1328. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69hhjj$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181628

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>In article <19980113155400.KAA13507@ladder01.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com
>(WA8ULX) writes:

>>Bull your just to Damn lazy to leaRN cw, YOU HAVE THAT TYPICAL GIVE
>>FOR
>NOTHING ATTITUDE

>Not only is your spelling and (mis)capitalization atrocious, I see you can't
>read very well, either. As I have stated many times in the past, I currently
>hold an amateur license with HF privileges. I have passed the code test.

Well, 10 meters anyway..... and don't forget - 5 wpm IS NO CODE.....

1329. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69hht8$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181629

oak@texas.net (K7RMJ) wrote:

>pardon my being so blunt Rambo, but if it is so discouraging, why are
>YOU still hanging around these news groups??

>Regards, Frank

Frank, you must be new here. CBDumbo (AKA 'Spew' Durigan, KF4DDM, (mnmaniac@aol.com)) suffers from a very bad case of ticket envy. He's been pestering people here for years, he just disappears now and then when he can't take the heat, and then reappears with another identity a few months later.

73, Jim KH2D

1330. Re: MARS MODS???????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69hijt$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181630

Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov> wrote:

>DANO wrote:
>>
>> i didnt know we had repeaters or sats on mars, so whats all this im seeing
>> about modifications to talk to mars. the us government says that aliens
>> dont exist. so why are all you people trying to contact mars. what about
>> saturn,venus and those other planets?? has anyone made any contacts on
>> them????
>>

>Trolling, trolling, trolling...

No, I don't think so. I think that looks like a legitimate question, so let's give old Dano an answer. MARS (Military Affiliated Radio Service) is something that functions with volunteers from the amateur service and a few GS-5's thrown in for good measure. They do things like making phone patches for military people overseas.

They operate normally just outside of the ham bands, on formal military type nets. MARS is being downsized in some branches of the service now.

Most hams I have met who joined MARS joined for one reason:

They have access to free surplus radio equipment from the military junk yard.

Hams, and I believe some radio manufacturers, also use the 'MARS' excuse for modifying radios to work on frequencies outside the ham bands. Probably two percent of the people who are a) looking for 'MARS' mods or b) have radios with 'MARS' mods installed actually belong to MARS.

Anyway, Dano, I don't personally know anybody who has spoken to the planet Mars, or the other ones you mentioned, on the radio but I did meet a ham one time who talked to God on 40 meter CW.

73, Jim KH2D

1331. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34BC68FE.5F09@no.net>
Source record: 181631

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> oak@texas.net (K7RMJ) wrote:
>
> >pardon my being so blunt Rambo, but if it is so discouraging, why are
> >YOU still hanging around these news groups??
>
> >Regards, Frank
>
> Frank, you must be new here. CBDumbo (AKA 'Spew' Durigan, KF4DDM,
> (mnmaniac@aol.com)) suffers from a very bad case of ticket envy. He's been
> pestering people here for years, he just disappears now and then when he can't
> take the heat, and then reappears with another identity a few months later.
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

If there was a lifeguard over the gene pool, he would tell cb-dumbo to
get out.

1332. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34BC5263.310D@asu.edu>
Source record: 181632
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Glen Quarnstrom wrote:
>
> Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>
> >Gary Coffman wrote:
> >> . But Morse tests have nothing to do with
> >> behavior, good or bad. \
> > >
> > >
> > >Except, that passing a 13 WPM test requires a lot of study, alot of
> > >committment, something CBers have a short supply of
>
> Oh, bullshit.
>
> If it weren't for CBers, guys like you wouldn't have anyone to look
> down on.

I have plenty of other groups to look down on. Dittoheads, MLMers,
Microsofties, Flat-taxers, CDa-ers, to name but a few. . . .:)

1333. Re: GE Rnager/Delta programmer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: ifr@dlcwest.com
Message-ID: <34bceef1.103655017@news.dlcwest.com>
Source record: 181633
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 10:27:40 -0500, "Clifford W. Owen"
<n3yyp@radix.net.No.Spam> wrote:

>>Same here, looking for software to program a GE Delta S Low Band.
>>
>>Clifford W. Owen
>>N3YYP
>>n3yyp@radix.net.No.Spam (remove .No.Spam to reply)
>>
>>
>>AA7UJ wrote in message <19980108192200.OAA20322@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>>>I am looking for a GE programmer for the Ranger and Delta series radios.
>>>
>>>If you have one for sale or information on how I can program these radios
>>>please contact :
>>>
>>>John Schurman 425-822-9197
>>>or email
>>>aa7uj@aol.com
>>

Not 100% sure, but maybe Niles Radio Communications can help. Good
luck and post any info you get.
http://www.primenet.com/~jlindsey/

Garnet

1334. Re: GE Master 2 HELP PLEASE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: ifr@dlcwest.com
Message-ID: <34bff66e.105571726@news.dlcwest.com>
Source record: 181634
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On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 12:10:29 -0600, "Christopher W. Boone"
<cboone@earthlink.net> wrote:

>>Cole and Kathy wrote:
>>>
>>> Would anyone advise me on the pin out of a GE master 2 control cable
>>> plug<at the radio>. I don't have a cable and need to know where i need
>>> to put positive and negative connections to the front of the radio as i
>>> am using an internal repeater controller <nhrc-3 mii-90> and have
>>> deleted the control head.
>>>
>>> I realize the two large pins are + and -, but the smaller pins must have
>>> a pos and neg. pin in there somewhere.
>>>
>>> Thanks for any help!!
>>> please e-mail responses....
>>> 73
>>> Cole
>>> KC5SWI@flash.net
>>
>>Where are you located at?? Get with me in email and I'll have the info
>>you need by then...yes there is a +DC input for the exciter and
>>the rcvr (the 7amp fused feed to the control head) that uses the
>>smaller pins...the large pins are for the PA only
>>
>>Chris
>>WB5ITT

Could someone be so kind as to share the info with the rest of us too?

Garnet

1335. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: "K.Klevesahl" <slipbit@spnt.com>
Message-ID: <34BB4AAD.4CF3@spnt.com>
Source record: 181635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>
> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
> using it ?
>
> It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
> for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
>
> ____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
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>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
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> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
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> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!
I would talk to her. The fact that her conversations can be herd by
someone else maybe motivation enough for her to by a cheap 900mhz
cordless. You might also mention that anyone with a scanner can hear
too.
good luck, kevin

1336. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113002900.TAA18834@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181732

>Yes, down from 100% in 1917 +/- 3 years. If it continues at this rate of
>decline, the percent of amateur CW use would linearly extrapolate to zero
>sometime between the years 2025 and 2028.
>
>

Then using your Dates, I guess we should say CW Testing should end somewhere between 2025 and 2028, I would have no Problem with that.

1337. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: wewald@ibm.net
Message-ID: <34beb972.3393744@news-s01.ny.us.ibm.net>
Source record: 181733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

(Walt Davidson) wrote:

>
>> But you can't own a firearm, can you, English Slave?
>
>That's called civilization, white honkey!
>
>In our country, we don't put our own citizens to death by lethal
>injection or electrocution, either.
>
>73 de G3NYY

Too bad. Otherwise you might try to catch the governor's cellular call to the prison warden on your scanner. Sure would be more interesting than listening to Chuck and the Cow Camilla.

1338. Re: Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-13 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980113010301.UAA24354@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181734

>From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>

>David and Cathy Thomas wrote:
>
>> Can someone describe the basic tuning procedures for the kenwood 520s, I
>> don't have the instruction manual.
>>
>> David C. Thomas
>> KA9AXJ

> Might be easier to email you a reply if your address wasn't bogus.
>
>

Hummmmm. More CBers trying to make a big noise?

Where's that big ol' CBimbo?
I wanna hear him SQUEAL LIKE A PIG!

1339. *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bd0628.2057503@news.total.net>
Source record: 181485
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
people instead of plug 'n play calculator.

Abacus features:

- Requires practise to use it
- Old mode. More than 1000 years old.
- Very slow.
- Inaccurate
- Can be used during the Emergency because it doesn't use any
batteries (so what ?)

If you really force school kids to learn Abacus, you must be
really silly. (don't take me wrong. I know abacus and I
sometimes use its method when I calculate something in my head.
I always complain something after I try it... I have a qualification
that qualifies 10 9-11 x 25 digits +/- calculations within 10
minutes, 20 6-7 & 6-7 x or / calculations within 10 minutes and
more...)

This is very similar to CW/No-CW debate. CW requires practise, old
mode, relatively very slow, inaccurate and "could" be (?) used during
the emergency... but if you really think CW is heaven and does
everything, you are deadend.

Be a pro-abacus and many don't care.
Be a pro-CW and many don't care.

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1340. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884803716.699531273@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181486

Carl Stevenson said this about license fees for US amateurs:

> > > I said $100 per year ... not $1000 ... in other words about what
> > > you'd pay for dinner for two and a couple of drinks at a nice
> > > restaurant ... if ham radio is not "worth" that to you, you're
> > > not very dedicated. If you can't afford that, your financial
> > > situation is such that you ought to be spending your time
> > > on a second job, or schooling/training to get a better one, rather
> > > than wasting time and spectrum calling CQ DX or CQ Contest.
> >
> > I am most surprised to see the above comments from Carl
> > who I thought was opposed to arbitrary "barriers" to entrance
> > to the Amateur Radio service.
>
> Note that I questioned the "dedication" of those for whom
> ham radio "was not worth" $100/year in fees (that I suggested
> should be earmarked for use by the FCC for enforcement in the
> ham bands from which the funds came.)

Of course you well know that FCC does not obtain operating funds
from fees, but from congressional budgeting action, so your $100
per year fee is simply an arbitrary barrier to entry.

"Dedication" is not a condition of being a licensed amateur. Another
arbitrary exclusionary notion from Carl.

> > Now Carl would support a $1,000 (10 years x $100) "entry fee" for
> > a teenager getting his first license, or a young wage earner trying
> > to support a new family!
>
> I never suggested that anyone would/should have to come up with
> $1000 in cold, hard cash ... I said $100/year ... pay the $100
> when you first get the license, then send in $100/year each year
> or your license gets cancelled ...

Of course, you also well know that the US Treasury does not have a
"pay as you go" plan. You pay full term up front cash.

> > Or maybe just rich kids should become hams?
>
> 2 bucks a week is not exactly "rich people's country" ... we're
> really talking about what amounts to pocket change for a *huge*
> majority of the population ...

It *is* "rich people's country" when 10-year pre-payment of $1,000 is
required.

I think most all of us (no matter what position we take on the issue
of Morse testing) would agree that introducing young people to the
Amateur Service hoping that they might thus become interested in
technical and scientific careers is a "good idea". Your notion of
"entry fees" is exclusionary and flies in the face of 97.1.

> Sorry, Hans ... like most ARRL officials, you've lost touch with
> REALITY (LONG ago).

You're out of touch, Carl. I am not an ARRL official.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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1341. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884804451.738983950@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181487

Carl R. Stevenson floated the notion of $1,000/10 year term
licensing fee for amateur radio, and then said:

> Many "avocations" require the dedication of some degree of
> personal resources for equipment, supplies, etc.

Any avocation which depends on tangible items (radio equipment,
stamps, model airplanes, etc.) require some expenditure for those
tangible items.

I know of *no* avocation which depends on a $1,000 expenditure for
non-tangible "permission", except perhaps country-club golfing.

I hope Carl does not feel amateur radio should be as exclusionary as
country-club golfing.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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1342. Re: Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bd1a25.1449113@news.total.net>
Source record: 181488
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

On Wed, 14 Jan 1998 12:06:28 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> A Sign of the Times and indeed the No-Code philosophy--He has already
>forgotten he has a brain to do basic math with, if he ever knew. Quite
>likely he wasn't "required" to learn such mundane things as the
>multiplication tables and long division--That's where we are in
>education today, but no matter,

> an electronic calculator will save the
> day!

SSB saves the day.

> Technology to the Rescue, Forever!

agreed. technology to rescue the amateur, forever.

>Dick W0EX

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1343. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2127$b2599b60$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181489
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote in article <34BCC2FD.EB@ibm.net>...
> Bill Sohl wrote:
> > Strange, I keep hearing about the garbage on the repeaters
> > but when I drive around the northeast I find no such behavior.
>
> What's funny, Bill, is that one of the retired old HF phartz
> who uses the open Intel repeater, is complaining that a
> particular conversation on the repeater was "gobblygook". The
> topic of that particular "technical" conversation involved
> complex impedances. "What the h___ does 'j' stand for? Why
> don't you guys talk in English?" When I explained the function
> of 'j', the old guy thought I was pulling his leg. :-)
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA
>

That's typical of the "Morse Forever" CW Olde Farte who dominates the ARRL/FISTS/etc. ... who was barely competent with a 2-tube rig (if that) and stagnated into complete incompetence when more modern technology like semiconductors, microcontrollers, DSP, etc. became practical realities, even in every-day, low cost consumer devices.

However, they are quick to allege their "superiority" on the basis of beeping "skills" ... and rail against anyone who tries to teach them a thing or two about what's happened in the REAL world of communications technology since about the mid 40's.

--
Carl - wa6vse
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NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1344. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69j6r4$6bn@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181490

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:

>Carl Stevenson said this about license fees for US amateurs:
>> > > I said $100 per year ... not $1000 ... in other words about what
>> > > you'd pay for dinner for two and a couple of drinks at a nice
>> > > restaurant ... if ham radio is not "worth" that to you, you're
>> > > not very dedicated. If you can't afford that, your financial
>> > > situation is such that you ought to be spending your time
>> > > on a second job, or schooling/training to get a better one, rather
>> > > than wasting time and spectrum calling CQ DX or CQ Contest.
>> >
>> > I am most surprised to see the above comments from Carl
>> > who I thought was opposed to arbitrary "barriers" to entrance
>> > to the Amateur Radio service.

He is, but go on.

>> Note that I (Carl) questioned the "dedication" of those for whom
>> ham radio "was not worth" $100/year in fees (that I suggested
>> should be earmarked for use by the FCC for enforcement in the
>> ham bands from which the funds came.)

>Of course you well know that FCC does not obtain operating funds
>from fees, but from congressional budgeting action, so your $100
>per year fee is simply an arbitrary barrier to entry.

The FCC source of its operating budget may be that way now...
But congress CAN just as easily legislate to allow FCC fees for ham
licenses AND specifiy that those amateur fees be strictly used
to enforce amateur rules. Carl's $100/year strawman is probably
high, but I'd happily pay 10-25 dollars a year if the fees were
so dedicated. Frankly, I know of NO hobby that doesn't have
some costs associated with it. Surely $10 or $25 a year isn't
cost prohibitive for most hams.

>"Dedication" is not a condition of being a licensed amateur. Another
>arbitrary exclusionary notion from Carl.

Nope, you got that wrong. Carl was just showing that if
DEDICATION (as oft cited by pro-code test advocates
who say passing code shows the dedication to the hobby)
is the concern, then it can be addressed in other ways,
one of which is a license fee.

>> > Now Carl would support a $1,000 (10 years x $100) "entry fee" for
>> > a teenager getting his first license, or a young wage earner trying
>> > to support a new family!

>>
>> I never suggested that anyone would/should have to come up with
>> $1000 in cold, hard cash ... I said $100/year ... pay the $100
>> when you first get the license, then send in $100/year each year
>> or your license gets cancelled ...

>Of course, you also well know that the US Treasury does not have a
>"pay as you go" plan. You pay full term up front cash.

Again, not likly but annual fees could be legislated bu congress.
The example by Carl is exactly that, an example. To cite the
way it is now is not reason that it couldn't be done differently.

>> > Or maybe just rich kids should become hams?
>>
>> 2 bucks a week is not exactly "rich people's country" ... we're
>> really talking about what amounts to pocket change for a *huge*
>> majority of the population ...

>It *is* "rich people's country" when 10-year pre-payment of $1,000 is
>required.

Mistatement of what Carl wrote again. Carl said $100 per year.
I pay that for my auto registration every year. The same COULD
be done by the FCC if Congress allowed it by legislating the
necessary changes in law.

>I think most all of us (no matter what position we take on the issue
>of Morse testing) would agree that introducing young people to the
>Amateur Service hoping that they might thus become interested in
>technical and scientific careers is a "good idea". Your notion of
>"entry fees" is exclusionary and flies in the face of 97.1.

That might be true for 17 and younger, although I doubt
it.... but 18 and over
are all adults and quite capable of paying such fees.
Go to any mall today and watch the kids shop for $15
CDs, $50 jeans, $100+ sneakers, etc. The typical youth that
MIGHT become a ham isn't likly to be recruited from lower
income groups anyway. Given a fee structure, I'd happily
contribute to any bonified youth that was truly needy
in terms of making such a payment.

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1345. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BD1E68.700519B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181491

CBRambo wrote:

> IAs I have stated many times in the past, I currently
> hold an amateur license with HF privileges. I have passed the code test.

Now Now, little boy. You know it is not nice to tell fibs to your elders. If you really had done so you would not be whining and crying and hiding behind a fake name with no call sign.

Get off of mommy's computer and go back to your cartoons.

>
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

In the trailer park using mommy's computer and aol account.

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

The only thing we hear is the mumbling from behind mommy's skirts.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1346. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69j741$6bn@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181492

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>SCO wrote:
>> >>> Lets get smart here. CBers only have to remember 2 digits "Channel
>> >>> 19". But we smart hams have to remember 5 digits "52.525" RIGHT!!!!!
>> >>> Like I am going to remember that freq. My idea of 54.0 would be a
>> >>> lot easier to remember.
>> Ok, maybe 54 mhz was a bad example. Maybe it should be 50.6 (6 for 6
>> meters).
>> W4SCO

>Well ok, but of course that would interfear with the current band plan to
>have non-voice communications only on those freqs.
>I guess I'm still confused, whats wrong with 52.525? Learn it, know it,
>operate it! I've worked several states on FM now running 10 watts on 52.525,
>leave the rig on all day squelched out, when the band opens I gar on teeee
>you'll hear plenty of activity.

And as I and others have noted... just program it as a channel
into your station rig, your mobile or your HT. Not exactly rocket
science.

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1347. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69j8au$6g2@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

>Bill Sohl wrote:>
>> And as a filter it (CW) doesn't result in any more elimination of bad
>> apples than the theory test does.

>In the time when one had to *learn* to pass the test instead of the
>current memory exercise, that was true. Today, no. The code test *is*
>the only remaining true qualification, and is likely to remain so for
>the time it remains.

>Dick W0EX

Irrespective of the difficulty of the theory test, the
bottom line is that the CW test doesn't result in any
net deifference in the quantity or type of bad apples
found on VHF versus those on HF. Dick would
have us believe that the bad apples on HF are
the result of lax CW testing, yet that is simply speculation.
I've seen not one shred of evidence that suggests
that the bad apples are all relatively new hams who only
got on HF after the testing process for CW was
changed. Indeed, no matter how you cut it, passing
the 20wpm CW test by the multiple choice method
still probably requires the ability to solidly copy 13 or
better. That being so, how does Dick explain the many
Extras that the FCC has fined or lifted licenses from
because of all types of bad apple behavior.

>> Any test will keep out
>> some people and the if bad apples only stay away because
>> of code, then why doesn't VHF exhibit a proliferation of
>> bad apple behavior any more than HF does?

Dick's reply above is speculation only and
certainly doesn't answer this question.

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1348. RANGER 2950, DOSY METER, LINEAR FOR SALE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: mcallister_j@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <884810291.1020592143@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,ott.forsale.other

I have a Ranger 2950 fully modified, clarifier unlocked, heavy swing mod, green display lights, peaked and tuned, receiver enhanced, and it is in like new condition. It is a year old and has the old style CPU (the best). It has only been used as a base station, never in a vehicle. It looks and works like new and I'm asking $180.00 I also have a Dosy TC-4001-P Test Center meter which is the lighted model with headphones for monitoring modulation. It too is just like new and I'm asking $65.00. I have an Outcom 200 watt mobile linear in near new shape and I'm asking $100.00. If your are interested, email your reply to me at: mcallister_j@yahoo.com

Thanks,
Jim McAllister

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1349. Attenuation of RF by water

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: fzbruss@dilbert.ucdavis.edu
Message-ID: <69ja0qlkg1@mark.ucdavis.edu>
Source record: 181495

I'm working on a project that will involve transmitting data from inside the body of animals. Can anyone supply a reference on the attenuation of RF by water, which should be the main RF absorber in animals, as a function of RF wavelength.

Thanks and 73, Mike, KF6IMS

1350. Wanted: Yaesu FT8000R mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: ka2ykc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114212400.QAA20400@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181496

Does anyone have the mod for the Yaesu FT8000R ??

Any doc files or web site pointers would be greatly appreciated.

RADIO and/or NEWSGROUP POLICE NEED NOT REPLY !!!!!!!!!!!!

73 Eric

1351. Re: Attenuation of RF by water

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian Swann <n1bs@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34bd3133.0@news2.ibm.net>
Source record: 181497

There is a substantial body of research on biological effects of RF on humans. Much of it was done with a water-filled model of the human head. I'm not sure of the exact authors, but you might start with studies done by Dr. Quirino Balzano of Motorola. I'm sure there are references contained within his papers. It's been a few years since I looked at any of this research.

73,
Brian
N1BS

Michael Bruss wrote in message <69ja0qlkg1@mark.ucdavis.edu>...
>I'm working on a project that will involve transmitting data from inside the
>body of animals. Can anyone supply a reference on the attenuation of RF by
>water, which should be the main RF absorber in animals, as a function of RF
>wavelength.
>
>Thanks and 73, Mike, KF6IMS
>

1352. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2137$b2619760$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181498

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote in article <884803716.699531273@dejanews.com>...
>
> Carl Stevenson said this about license fees for US amateurs:
>
> > > > I said $100 per year ... not $1000 ... in other words about what
> > > > you'd pay for dinner for two and a couple of drinks at a nice
> > > > restaurant ... if ham radio is not "worth" that to you, you're
> > > > not very dedicated. If you can't afford that, your financial
> > > > situation is such that you ought to be spending your time
> > > > on a second job, or schooling/training to get a better one, rather
> > > > than wasting time and spectrum calling CQ DX or CQ Contest.
> > >
> > > I am most surprised to see the above comments from Carl
> > > who I thought was opposed to arbitrary "barriers" to entrance
> > > to the Amateur Radio service.
> >
> > Note that I questioned the "dedication" of those for whom
> > ham radio "was not worth" $100/year in fees (that I suggested
> > should be earmarked for use by the FCC for enforcement in the
> > ham bands from which the funds came.)
>
> Of course you well know that FCC does not obtain operating funds
> from fees, but from congressional budgeting action, so your $100
> per year fee is simply an arbitrary barrier to entry.

Bullshit, Hans ... I SPECIFICALLY STATED that the fees would have
to be earmarked for FCC enforcement in the ham bands ... and I
acknowledged that that would take Congressional action to pass a
law to that effect.

> "Dedication" is not a condition of being a licensed amateur. Another
> arbitrary exclusionary notion from Carl.

Tell that to all of your pro-code buddies who INSIST that everyone must
have to "work for their license" and "show their serious dedication to
ham radio" (by submitting to the forced learning of Morse code and the
testing/hazing ritual that present rules require, of course.)

> > > Now Carl would support a $1,000 (10 years x $100) "entry fee" for
> > > a teenager getting his first license, or a young wage earner trying
> > > to support a new family!
> >
> > I never suggested that anyone would/should have to come up with
> > $1000 in cold, hard cash ... I said $100/year ... pay the $100
> > when you first get the license, then send in $100/year each year

> > or your license gets cancelled ...
>
> Of course, you also well know that the US Treasury does not have a
> "pay as you go" plan. You pay full term up front cash.

More bullshit ... Congress could easily pass a law that would permit annual payments over the course of a 10 year license term ... if you don't pay, your license is revoked ... that's not so complicated, Hans, even you should be able to grasp the concept.

> > > Or maybe just rich kids should become hams?
> >
> > 2 bucks a week is not exactly "rich people's country" ... we're
> > really talking about what amounts to pocket change for a *huge*
> > majority of the population ...
>
> It *is* "rich people's country" when 10-year pre-payment of $1,000 is
> required.

That is YOUR fantasy/distortion ... it is NOT what *I* said. Please constrain your criticisms of my suggestions to what I actually suggest, and leave out your usual self-serving lies/distortions. (I know you pro-coders have REAL difficulty in being honest/fair, especially when you have nothing sensible to say, but please at least try.)

> I think most all of us (no matter what position we take on the issue
> of Morse testing) would agree that introducing young people to the
> Amateur Service hoping that they might thus become interested in
> technical and scientific careers is a "good idea". Your notion of
> "entry fees" is exclusionary and flies in the face of 97.1.
>
> > Sorry, Hans ... like most ARRL officials, you've lost touch with
> > REALITY (LONG ago).
>
> *You're* out of touch, Carl. I am not an ARRL official.

Gee, Hans ... last I knew you were an ARRL Vice-Director ... did you lose in the recent elections? Since you were not *my* Vice-Director, I did not notice the change, though anything that gets people like you out of office at the ARRL *HAS* to be a "good thing."

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Carl - wa6vse
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NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1353. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2139$22c91d60$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181499

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote in article <884804451.738983950@dejanews.com>...
> Carl R. Stevenson floated the notion of $1,000/10 year term
> licensing fee for amateur radio, and then said:
>
>
> > Many "avocations" require the dedication of some degree of
> > personal resources for equipment, supplies, etc.

Hans floated a self-serving, distorted misrepresentation of
what I said (as is his usual practice with anyone who is not
in the ARRL/FISTS/pro-code camp) and then said:

> Any avocation which depends on tangible items (radio equipment,
> stamps, model airplanes, etc.) require some expenditure for those
> tangible items.
>
> I know of *no* avocation which depends on a $1,000 expenditure for
> non-tangible "permission", except perhaps country-club golfing.

What difference does it make if the expenditure is for "tangible" or
"non-tangible" things?

> I hope Carl does not feel amateur radio should be as exclusionary as
> country-club golfing.

Gee, Hans ... I would assert that amateur radio *has been* AT LEAST
that exclusionary and elitists for decades ...

The Morse requirement is about as relevant to qualifications for HF
access as is the color of one's skin to one's ability to play golf ...
you code bigots have exercised your own form of discrimination that
is as arbitrary and unjustifiable as racism for decades in order to
exclude those "who are not white enough" (those who don't beep to your
satisfaction) from your "country club" on HF.

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1354. Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: gareth@capecod.net
Message-ID: <34bc4441.7584683@newshost.capecod.net>
Source record: 181500

Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
spread?
I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
this is no longer considered true.

de N1MSV

1355. Re: Attenuation of RF by water

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: pa3dbj@xs4all.nl
Message-ID: <34bd40a6.63537946@news.xs4all.nl>
Source record: 181501

On 14 Jan 1998 21:17:14 GMT, fzbruss@dilbert.ucdavis.edu (Michael
Bruss) wrote:

>I'm working on a project that will involve transmitting data from inside the
>body of animals. Can anyone supply a reference on the attenuation of RF by
>water, which should be the main RF absorber in animals, as a function of RF
>wavelength.
>
>Thanks and 73, Mike, KF6IMS
>
Why don't you excite the animal at a resonance frequency of one of
it's limbs? (I am serious)

73

Anton, PA3DBJ

1356. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69jd6v$8o9$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181502

In article <34BC8F0B.93189CB9@ibm.net>, "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
writes:

>Morse is strictly a recreational mode for elderly hams.

You, uh, wouldn't happen to have any studies which show that CW is
only used by "elderly" hams, would you?

No? Thought not. More No-Code Agenda "fact generation" rhetoric.

>The numbers of whom become smaller every day as old age takes it's toll.

According to FCC statistics at http://www.speroni.com/FCC, the number
of licensed amateurs in ALL license classes has been progressively
increasing each year (up 30K last year).

Sucks to get little things like "facts" in the way of a good rant, huh?

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1357. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69jchj$8ml$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181503
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <69iikp$7q9@dfw-ixnews10.ix.netcom.com>,
Gerald Schmitt <kc5egg@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>You know Dick the pro-code-test crowd keeps beating this memorization
>nonsense into the ground. Most people, non technical included, find it
>easier to just learn the material.

"Memorize" is somewhat of a misnomer, one I myself am guilty of using.

With a question pool exam program, it is very easy to drill on the
question pool a sufficient number of times so that you become
conditioned as to what the "correct" answer is to a question. You
don't actually "memorize" the question and the correct answer, you
just learn to recognize the question, and what the answer is.

This is the same type of situation people who use code tapes for
practice run into. They end up "memorizing" what is on the tape (no,
they couldn't write the tape down verbatim, but as they are listening
to the tape they remember what is coming up next...) effectively
rendering the tape useless. That's why on-the-air QSOs are much more
effective for building up code speed, not tapes.

MD
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-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1358. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69jd1v$8ng$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181504

In article <34BC8BAE.8D219635@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:

>You know, the above mind-set typifies those who claim we
>need "quality, not quantity" as far as hams go. What they
>really mean is that they don't have any use for hams who
>aren't like themselves. Too much of their sense of
>self-worth is wrapped up in whatever skill or trait they
>have that makes them feel superior to their brother
>amateurs. So much for tolerance!

Upon re-reading my quote, I realized that it sounded exactly
like something Stevenson would have posted. What's pretty funny
is that you flame me for making the same comment which Carl
has made on numerous occasions. But, I guess I get flamed for it
because I'm a "pro-coder" and not a "anti-coder" like Stevenson.

>What is wrong with an amateur who likes to communicate for
>fun, maybe doesn't have a technical background, and who
>isn't a "dedicated" communicator? Nothing, that's what.

There is nothing wrong with this type of person, but the
amateur radio service isn't the radio service for them.
There is nothing wrong with communicating on the radio for
fun -- 80-90% of my operating time is spent on the air
having "fun".

However, when the bands start to turn from amateur-related
discussions to pure FRS-type traffic, I think we have a problem.

Why? Well, for one, if all we have on VHF is FRS-traffic, then
obviously we don't need our VHF bands, do we? All our VHF bands
can just be sold, and the existing users (and their FRS-traffic)
can just as easily migrate to the FRS band.

Some things in moderation are not bad. There is nothing wrong
with FRS-type traffic in moderation. When it becomes the principle
use of our bands, though, I think we're in serious trouble.

MD
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-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1359. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69jda8$8pi$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181505

In article <34BC912D.11A5@sccoast.net>,
Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>> kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote...
>>
>> Let's change a few words:
>>
>> > Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not
>> > keeping people out. If theory testing is an unnecessary barrier
>> > to that, then theory testing needs to be removed.
>>
>> Yep, that fits.
>
>REPLY...
>
> It does not fit because you ignored the key word, "unnecessary."
>Radio theory (rules, safety, etc.) are necessary. Testing for knowledge
>of CW is not.

Radio THEORY (knowledge of SSB, ATV, etc.) is something entirely different
than knowledge of rules/regs/safety issues.

Radio THEORY is completely unnecessary in today's predominently
store-bought, appliance-operator world.

The statement you made, as modified, fits.

MD
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-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1360. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bd4c04.1344182@news.total.net>
Source record: 181506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 10:20:04 -0800, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
wrote:
>For Local, i.e. short range communications, VHF and UHF reign supreme!

>However, if the disaster were on a Caribbean Island or other remote
>area, the long distance capability of HF would be used for emergency
>communications.

How many people on Caribbean Island have amateur rigs ?

>Imagine a hurricane which has caused a lot of damage and destroyed many
>buildings and antennas.

> A battery or generator operated HF radio with a
>simple "wire" antenna could be used to communicate with the mainland for
>disaster aid.

who has it anyway ? 1 in 1000 amateurs ?

>Under these conditions VHF and UHF are useless. They are superb for
>short range, but now amount of added power can realistically make them
>long range radios (under normal circumstances).

>p.s. THINK!

thinking something that doesn't make senses is useless isn't it ??

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

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1361. Re: Stevenson Confuses "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34BD3CFE.3318@geocities.com>
Source record: 181507

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> wrote in article
> ><68uu69$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>...
> >> "KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:
> >>
large hack of verbage
>
> Amazing how easily you confuse yourself, Squiggy. 'Problem with dedication'. I
> would think that anybody who doesn't have two weeks to learn Morse code fits
> more into that catagory. Turn the church sermon into the no code debate, like
> usual. Maybe you can explain to us why most people who don't have a drivers
> license never get speeding tickets.....
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

There are people who can learn code in perhaps a day, weeks or two weeks
as you suggest. There are others who in fact have spents months and
years working to not suceed with Morse. One of basis of NoCode
positions (the better ones at least) are that the skills needed to learn
and use Morse are unrelated to the other priveldges that require it to
be learned. I have yet to see anyone explain how being able to
transcirbe text from Morse makes me better to use Voice and Packet modes
(esp the latter I would not even hear a CW signal after I have started)

1362. The herpes of NG's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <69jnm7phr1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 181508

Have you ever noticed that the ones with the *cool* names (cutie boy, the cool guy, etc.) do the most posting, say the most inane things, lack any intellectual substance and thrive on the reactions provoked by their bigoted posts? It is this reaction that they crave. They use any and all means to keep the spotlight and attention on themselves. Why else would you post the same message twice within approximately five hours? 10:38 and 5:29 [Ans: Because you did not provoke a large enough response the first time.]

Their posts never (?) list their real name. These people are ashamed to put their name on what they post. They hide behind facades and snipe at everything -- people, principles, customs, mores, the old, the young and anything else they cannot comprehend.

They are the herpes of newsgroups --- nothing fatal, but a source of constant irritation.

Gary Bowes
K3GB

unsubscribing from the ng
to the other 99% of this ng, "thanks".... I've enjoyed the visit.

1363. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: mike <mike@endor.com>
Message-ID: <69jg85$agg@snews3.zippo.com>
Source record: 181509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

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You dont even dare to use your name. Can't people just enjoy CW....
If you don't want to learn it just don't. Nobody really cares weather you
use CW or not so quit your bitching and don't do it.
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Cutie Boy wrote in message <34bd0628.2057503@news.total.net>...
> I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
>use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
>people instead of plug 'n play calculator.
>
>Abacus features:
>
> - Requires practise to use it
> - Old mode. More than 1000 years old.
> - Very slow.
> - Inaccurate
> - Can be used during the Emergency because it doesn't use any
>batteries (so what ?)
>
>
> If you really force school kids to learn Abacus, you must be
>really silly. (don't take me wrong. I know abacus and I
>sometimes use its method when I calculate something in my head.
>I always complain something after I try it... I have a qualification
>that qualifies 10 9-11 x 25 digits +/- calculations within 10
>minutes, 20 6-7 & 6-7 x or / calculations within 10 minutes and
>more...)
>
>
>This is very similar to CW/No-CW debate. CW requires practise, old
>mode, relatively very slow, inaccurate and "could" be (?) used during
>the emergency... but if you really think CW is heaven and does
>everything, you are deadend.
>
>Be a pro-abacus and many don't care.
>Be a pro-CW and many don't care.
>
>
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>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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>Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>_____
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>ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1364. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BD6D90.ED2C7ABD@ibm.net>
Source record: 181510

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>

> >What is wrong with an amateur who likes to communicate for
> >fun, maybe doesn't have a technical background, and who
> >isn't a "dedicated" communicator? Nothing, that's what.
>
> There is nothing wrong with this type of person, but the
> amateur radio service isn't the radio service for them.

I couldn't disagree with you more.

Then Mike continues.

> However, when the bands start to turn from amateur-related
> discussions to pure FRS-type traffic, I think we have a problem.

I agree with this, if it is "pure." I have no perception
that we are anywhere remotely near this situation, either on
VHF or HF. We sure aren't in Southern Calif. 99% of the
VHF activity is plain old QSOs, very much like HF.

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Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

1365. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BD6EBB.812AC4D9@ibm.net>
Source record: 181511

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>

> Sucks to get little things like "facts" in the way of a good rant, huh?
>
Mike, you wouldn't know a fact, if it bit you in the arse.
I say it is mainly a passtime for oldsters, and so it is. I
have my logbook to prove it: Age hr is 105, fought in WW1,
73 QSL sure" ... lotta qsos like that, old fellow.

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Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

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Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
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1366. Re: The herpes of NG's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tony Degnan <tdegnan@sport4u.com>
Message-ID: <69jq0g$s8b@argentina.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181512

VERY WELL PUT!

1367. DXTRA WEBSITE NEW!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Radio Station N8LDY <cqdxer@alliance.net>
Message-ID: <34BD6E01.436FBD8B@alliance.net>
Source record: 181513

The DXTRA website is now On-Line! If you have an interest in DX and other Amateur Radio topics you will love DXTRA! We have many other points of interest as well..so come and pay us a visit...the URL is listed below.
http://members.tripod.com/~CYBERHAM/index.html

Thank You
DXTRA WebCaster..Chuck..N8LDY

1368. Re: Wanted: Yaesu FT8000R mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69jsd0$2ba@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181514

ka2ykc@aol.com (KA2YKC) wrote:

>Does anyone have the mod for the Yaesu FT8000R ??

>Any doc files or web site pointers would be greatly appreciated.

>RADIO and/or NEWSGROUP POLICE NEED NOT REPLY !!!!!!!!!!!!

>73 Eric

Call Yaesu service, I just got mine back from them. They did the mod
under warranty at no charge.

73, Jim KH2D

1369. REPEATER CONTROLLER out of a PC??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <69jvv5$23i$1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 181515
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Anyone have any info on how to make a repeater controller out of say an
old 286?? you use the sound card (s blaster) and .voc files for the ID,
and batch / some other programming to do the timing and PTT/COR
and message selection on the parallel ports....

anyone have any info/software on stuff like this???
thanks,
Joe
--
Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
email: n8ouz@usa.net
WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz

1370. CQ K7RMJ & W6RCA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: NE7X <NE7X@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <34BCE4D8.307F@amsat.org>
Source record: 181516

Wow!!! The two of you really like to stir up the hornets nest here.

Cecil, meet my long time old friend, Frank K7RMJ
Frank, meet my long time old friend, Cecil W6RCA

O, by the way, I just got my new "Thanskgiving Club" callsign
from the FCC. Now I hold "four" callsigns.

KC7ZZO = Thanksgiving Club <==(soon to be replaced with WB7ASR)
KC7TMB = Intel Club
WB7DDQ = High Freqs of AZ
NE7X = Personal

73s and keep the flames going on the news groups.

Tom NE7X...

1371. Re: yaseu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: hershman <hershman@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BD81A6.F34A2C39@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181517
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I had that radio and the mod is simple. If you remove the top cover to the radio and look
directly behind the display PCB you will see a wire with a small black switch. Simply
move the black switch and you can transmit 100 watts from 1.6 mhz to 30 mhz.
It is legal to Transmit anywhere you want if there is an EMERGENCY that involves loss
of LIFE or PROPERTY.

Howard Gould wrote:

> Mike Capone wrote:
> >
> > On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 01:58:29 -0800, Dan K Nelson <postmaster@fbi.gov>
> > wrote:
> >
> > >michael.downing@lvvwd.com wrote:
> > >>
> > >> Does anybody know how to mod a yaseu 757 gx II to expand the transmit
> > >> frequency coverage? I've got a problem tuning an antenna and need to find
> > >> the resonance points.
> > >>
> > >> ---------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> > >> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
> > >
> > >Boy, that's a good one....
> > >
> > >73,
> > >
> > Well, although illegal, thats the EASY way out to finding out how much
> > your antenna is off. A "legal" way is to get an SWR anylyzer like MFJ
> > makes, or any of the other "Rf anylyst" type devices. Rather pricey
> > tho at $100-200, but easy way to match up antennas without having to
> > use a tranciever.
> >
> > -Mike
> Mike hit it on the head, besides if you really want to expand the
> transmit, you can do it illegally for 19.95 witb the purchase of a mod
> book available at local HRO or supplier. For another ham to give you
> that info would be in violation of code of ethics and you are on your
> own when you do decide to transmit out of ham bands. If you have a valid
> MARS license you can get the info your looking for with no problem by
> showing proof of to the manufacturer or local HRO or other supplier.
> Howie W$NVF

1372. The Trading Post

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kyle Chavis <wa4pgm@moonstar.com>
Message-ID: <NEWTNews.884848057.20884.wa4pgm@wa4pgm.moonstar.com>
Source record: 181518
Cross-posted to: va.forsale,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,nc.general,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf

The Trading Post is a place your can read or post amateur
radio, scanner or
shortwave equipment. Items will be posted for 30 days or
depending upon the
amount of post on the board. Be sure to include any
contact information and a
honest description of your gear for sale.

http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?id=7181

Thank You,
Kyle

1373. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34BD91BE.7F74@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181519

Gareth Crispell wrote:
>
> Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
> everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
> station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
> spread?
> I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
> however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
> this is no longer considered true.
>
> de N1MSV

Oh boy .. you best stand by on this one.

Are you are under the impression that a SSB signal covers 6 KC of
sprectrum ?
A SSB signal that covers 3 KC would be a bit broad by todays standards.
Typically
it would be from abt 2.8 to 2.3 KC .. depending on the filtering. Some
receivers
have a narrow filter for SSB that is 1.8 KC, so 1.8 KC is plenty wide to
understand
a SSB signal, or either side band of an AM signal.

If you are transmitting on, for example, 7200 KC then on LSB your signal
will
be from 7200 down to about 7197.2 (or less). For USB it will be from
7200 up
to about 7202.8 (or less). This is on a clean rig of course.

An AM signal, designed to good communications standards, on 7200 would
have
a signal from 7203 to 7197.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1374. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BD941E.3D0A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181520
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:
Comparing phone and
> CW verbige is pretty dumb anyway as few people encode
> (or type) profanities.

Obviously he hasn't been reading Stevenson's postings

1375. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34BDAD18.3D90@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181521
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 10:20:04 -0800, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
> wrote:
> >For Local, i.e. short range communications, VHF and UHF reign supreme!
>
> >However, if the disaster were on a Caribbean Island or other remote
> >area, the long distance capability of HF would be used for emergency
> >communications.
>
> How many people on Caribbean Island have amateur rigs ?
>
> >Imagine a hurricane which has caused a lot of damage and destroyed many
> >buildings and antennas.
>
> > A battery or generator operated HF radio with a
> >simple "wire" antenna could be used to communicate with the mainland for
> >disaster aid.
>
> who has it anyway ? 1 in 1000 amateurs ?
>
> >Under these conditions VHF and UHF are useless. They are superb for
> >short range, but now amount of added power can realistically make them
> >long range radios (under normal circumstances).
>
> >p.s. THINK!
>
> thinking something that doesn't make senses is useless isn't it ??
>
> ____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)

> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

If you learned the code and got on HF, you would learn first hand that
there are quite a few, at least relative to the population.

Thpppt!

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1376. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com>
Message-ID: <69lc4r$qr3$1@usenet48.supernews.com>
Source record: 181522
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I think you are missing the real point. Morse code is a flawed code. No upper and lower case, no curly braces, etc., etc. Way too primitive for the 21st century.

Two suggestions. I think what we should be doing is learning to send ASCII or extended ASCII using dits and dahs. All characters would then be 7 or 8 units long. This would allow us to uuencode pictures of our families and not just do the boring: TNX FER CALL OM = UR RST 599 and so on.

My second idea is to sample all CW QSO's for one month and come up with extended numeric macros. Just as 73 = best regards, #672 would be: NAME HR IS DAVE DAVE and #362 would be WELL XYL IS CALLING FOR DINNER SO 73 AND CUL. Wouldn't need a PC or UNIX box even. Just a Palm Pilot.

Of course, then we get a lot of folks wanting a No Pilot class of license....

73, W0RNL, Dave, in Sunnyvale (or # 735892)

User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys wrote in message
<68u5pb$q7c$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>...
>George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:
>
>> >
>> > >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have been
>> reading about using the internet
>> > >for telephony via your computer.
>> >
>> > what's the purpose of this ??
>> >
>> > efficiency ?????
>> >
>

>Morse Code on the Internet..... yup.... the dawn of a new era.....
>
>73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP
>

1377. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114001901.TAA24353@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181636

In article <Pine.BSI.3.95.980113115718.25793B-100000@home.dp.net>, tech
<tech@dp.net> writes:

>> Someone else posted that if retesting ever materialized, they'd let their
>
>license lapse and then lobby to sell off the amateur bands to the highest
>
>bidder.

> you can count me in on that as well.

ME TOO!!!!!!!!!!

Do you suppose that maybe that's just what the government wants you to do?
Perfect solution as far as Washington is concerned...they no longer have to
bother with amateur radio issues and can make big $$$ by selling off the
spectrum.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1378. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114001900.TAA24355@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181637

In article <01bd2038$f1849fa0$599192ce@default>, "Frenmar Omstienille"
<pindor1@zortech.net> writes:

>Well, if all are not on for 17 hours and all is congested for 7 hours
>then
only 30% of the total useable time is being used. Since 7 hours is
>the
only time used then it is 100% of the operating time and we can say
>that
the bands are congested 100% of the time. This being the case, we
>must
have too many hams.

Don't worry. This will soon correct itself. Many become silent keys every day
and this is the only hobby I know of that actively discourages new members to
thake their places.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1379. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114001901.TAA15472@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181638

In article <19980113155400.KAA13507@ladder01.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>Bull your just to Damn lazy to leaRN cw, YOU HAVE THAT TYPICAL GIVE
>FOR
NOTHING ATTITUDE

Not only is your spelling and (mis)capitalization atrocious, I see you can't read very well, either. As I have stated many times in the past, I currently hold an amateur license with HF privileges. I have passed the code test.

Now...what's your excuse for having such poor grammatical/usage/spelling skills?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1380. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114001900.TAA15481@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181639

In article <19980113153701.KAA01134@ladder02.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>As it should be, dont like it wait 10 Years maybe it will change, for me
>its
back to HF and work some of this great DX

You'd do much more to help yourself if you'd work on your inadequate spelling/usage/capitalization skills instead.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1381. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114001900.TAA24358@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181640

In article <01bd2033$499ba540$599192ce@default>, "Frenmar Omstienille"
<pindor1@zortech.net> writes:

>Especially when we are talking about publicly-owned trequencies
>and
government -issued licenses.
Even more need for this filter.

How about we let the courts decide the relevance (or lack thereof) of Morse code testing in 1998? This is ultimately where the matter will end up.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1382. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69h1o4enm1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181641

pardon my being so blunt Rambo, but if it is so discouraging, why are
YOU still hanging around these news groups??

Regards, Frank

DE K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <19980114001900.TAA24355@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com says...
>
>In article <01bd2038$f1849fa0$599192ce@default>, "Frenmar Omstienille"
><pindor1@zortech.net> writes:
>
>>Well, if all are not on for 17 hours and all is congested for 7 hours
>>then
>only 30% of the total useable time is being used. Since 7 hours is
>>the
>only time used then it is 100% of the operating time and we can say
>>that
>the bands are congested 100% of the time. This being the case, we
>>must
>have too many hams.
>
>
>Don't worry. This will soon correct itself. Many become silent keys
every day
>and this is the only hobby I know of that actively discourages new
members to
>thake their places.
>
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1383. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69h2p1enm2@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181642

In article <34BB257D.29A3@sccoast.net>, stewart@sccoast.net says...
>
>> wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) wrote...
>>
>> > When you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one
>> > simple fact: CW is nothing more than a filter to restrict access
>> > to the HF Bands.
>>
>> As it should be
>
>REPLY...
>
> In section 97.1 of its rules, the FCC describes the basis and purpose
>of the amateur service. One of those principles is...
>
> 97.1(d) Expansion of the existing reservior
> within the amateur radio service of trained
> operators, technicians and electronic experts.
>
> Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not keeping
>people out. If CW testing is an unnecessary barrier to that, then CW
>testing needs to be removed.
>
>Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

Greetings Dwight,

Myth about cw? Not sure which myth is referred to above, however I think you hit the nail on the head with, "If CW is an unnecessary barrier..." That is the big question. Is it really unnecessary? Has it been necessary since the invention of voice modulation? What defines the term, "necessary"?

I for one am still undecided on the code testing issue. I am leaning toward a license structure where certain portions of the HF bands are restricted to CW use and make access to only those portions require cw proficiency testing. Then the question pops up, How much and which part of each band will be reserved for cw? Whew... I remember the debates and arguments over incentive licensing. People were whining about that one for years after it was done.

Just food for thought...

Regards, Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

1384. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69h3l2enm3@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181643
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

In article <34bccce6.1244586@news.dial.pipex.com>,
no.junk.mail@thank.you says...
>
>On Tue, 13 Jan 1998 06:44:39 -0800, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
>>Ahhhh Walt, you missed the point. In the "early 50's", 11m was a ham
>>band. I remember an 11m contest to try to get the interest up and
>>save the band for hams.
>
>I'm sure that was your intention, Cecil, that your readers would "miss
>the point" as you put it. I was referring to the CBers of the
>mid-fifties, about whom I used to read in the Popular Electronics
>magazine of the time. In those days, CBers were respectable people
>who used the newly released CB allocation sensibly, for the purpose
>for which it was intended .... unlike its present-day occupants.
>
>Regards,
>G3NYY
>
>--
>Walt Davidson Email: walt@ dial.pipex.com
>The original multiple choice exam question:
>"To be, or not to be? That is the question!"

In 1960 it sounded about the same as it does today in Arizona.

Regards, Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

1385. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69h8ju$j6c$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181644
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On 1998/01/13 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>>>When
>>you strip away all the myth around CW your left with one simple fact:
>>CW is
>>nothing more than a filter to restrict access to the HF Bands.
>
> As it
> >should be
>
>
>Not when we're talking about publicly-owned frequencies and government-issued
>licenses.
>

Spoken like a true anarchist of the airwaves.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1386. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69h8qh$j6c$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181645
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 1998/01/13 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>At which time it will be a moot point since the hobby formerly known as
>"amateur radio" will have long ago been killed off by forced Morse knowledge
>and general lack of interest.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I agree with the latter reason.

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1387. Re: The Old Days (was Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69h95b$j6c$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181646
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On 1998/01/13 nocwtest@aol.com (No CW Test)

>>Until then, I guess we'll just continue to hear about how hard some of us
>>worked for our license back in the old days, and how lazy and whiney
>>everybody else is.
>
>When I was young we had to whittle our own ICs out of wood.
>
>
>
>Len Anderson

"...and the clown expected the village to believe him, because his master
was so great and wise. But he was still the fool he ever was."

--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1388. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd209d$42e99300$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181647

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote in article <884101742.529727490@dejanews.com>...
> Carl Stevenson said this about license fees for US
> amateurs:
>
> > I said $100 per year ... not $1000 ... in other words about what
> > you'd pay for dinner for two and a couple of drinks at a nice
> > restaurant ... if ham radio is not "worth" that to you, you're
> > not very dedicated. If you can't afford that, your financial
> > situation is such that you ought to be spending your time
> > on a second job, or schooling/training to get a better one, rather
> > than wasting time and spectrum calling CQ DX or CQ Contest.
>
> I am most surprised to see the above comments from Carl
> who I thought was opposed to arbitrary "barriers" to entrance
> to the Amateur Radio service.

Note that I questioned the "dedication" of those for whom
ham radio "was not worth" $100/year in fees (that I suggested
should be earmarked for use by the FCC for enforcement in the
ham bands from which the funds came.)

I don't see legitimate licensing fees with legitimate purposes
where the funds are used for the betterment of the service as
being at all "arbitrary."

> Now Carl would support a $1,000 (10 years x $100) "entry fee" for
> a teenager getting his first license, or a young wage earner trying
> to support a new family!

I never suggested that anyone would/should have to come up with
$1000 in cold, hard cash ... I said $100/year ... pay the $100
when you first get the license, then send in $100/year each year
or your license gets cancelled ...

> (And we haven't even started to talk about
> actually assembling a station yet!) Can you imagine ANYONE, even
> a reasonably affluent adult, plunking down $1,000 to get a simple
> license to engage in an avocation?

See above and PLEASE stop adding your own, ridiculous, self-serving
distortions ...

> He calls it equivalent to a nice dinner for two and a couple of drinks.

For most folks who can *really* afford the time and expense of ham
radio, that is true ...

> for the folks we want to
> get interested in this hobby, a "good dinner" is a #2 meal-deal at the
> local McDonalds, or the special down at the university cafeteria, not
> lobster and chardonnay at the Hilton.

Lobster and Chardonnay at the Hilton will set you back more than
$100 ... anyone who uses "McDonalds" and "good dinner" in a serious
manner with the intent of implying that the former and the latter
actually have any overlap in THIS universe is clearly deluded :-)

Remember, we're talking about a lousy 2 bucks per week here, not some
exorbitant amount ... most high school and college kids will end up
being subsidized by parents and/or their own initiative in having a
part-time job.

I would have no problem in exempting students under the age of 21 from
low-income families from payment of the fee, either ...

> Or maybe just rich kids should become hams?

2 bucks a week is not exactly "rich people's country" ... we're
really talking about what amounts to pocket change for a *huge*
majority of the population ... I'm sure that there will be some
group of welfare-state-minded-liberals (like those who insist on
government-mandated life support for Morse) who will figure out
some scheme for subsidizing the hordes of homeless hams who can't
really panhandle an extra 2 bucks per week to pay their license
fees (you know, the guys with the all-band trap verticals and
solar arrays on their cardboard box houses in the local alleyways).

In other words, please cut the crap about the suggestion for
a $100/year license fee (earmarked for enforcement) being "elitist"
and "exclusionary." 99.999% of the population who could afford
ANY other aspect of ham radio (gear of ANY kind, a place to set up
a station, any time at all away from pursuing basic survival needs,
etc.) can find a (legal, legitimate) way to come up with 2 bucks a
week or qualify for an exemption.

I don't have a hang-up about the $100/year figure ... it could just
as easily be $50/year or even $10 ... I REALLY just wanted to see how
much the pro-code faction (who bitches and moans about how forced
Morse testing is "necessary" to require one to "work for one's license"
and to "prove dedication to the hobby") would react to the concept of
actually having to "put their money where their mouths are" ...
THE REACTIONS HAVE BEEN QUITE PREDICTABLE ...

> Sorry Carl, you've lost touch with the meaning of "avocation".

Many "avocations" require the dedication of some degree of
personal resources for equipment, supplies, etc.

Sorry, Hans ... like most ARRL officials, you've lost touch with
REALITY (LONG ago).

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1389. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd209d$53e7dae0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181648

See my response to Hans ...

KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote in article
<68tsbd$esi@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> $ 100.00 A Year Liscensing Fee. I Guess Freedom Of Speach Does Have A
> Price, Or Are We Just Being Punished For Exercising Our Rights & Abilities.
> Gregg KD5BAY Where In Texas Our Freedom & Rights Are # 1.
>
>

1390. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd209e$22c688c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181649

Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> wrote in article
<68uu69$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>...
> "KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:
>
> >$ 100.00 A Year Liscensing Fee. I Guess Freedom Of Speach Does Have A
> >Price, Or Are We Just Being Punished For Exercising Our Rights & Abilities.
> >Gregg KD5BAY Where In Texas Our Freedom & Rights Are # 1.
>
> Well, no Greg, in your case, I think you are being punished for NOT
exercising
> your abilities, if you want to consider it 'punishment'. You might want to
> check the Texas Constitution, and see if the use of HF is mentioned there,
you
> never know.
>
> In the proposal for licensing fees that Carl has submitted to the FCC, I
believe
> it says that the fee for Texas is $500 a year. Everything is bigger in
Texas,
> you know......
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

Readers of the above should take note that, as usual, Mr Kehler has "put words in my mouth."

I have NOT "submitted a proposal for licensing fees to the FCC" ... I simply stated here that, perhaps, those who rail about how one must "work for one's license" and "prove one's 'dedication to the hobby'" (through the current program of forced Morse learning/testing, of course) should have no problem in "putting their money where their mouths are" if the money was earmarked for FCC enforcement in the ham bands ...

Seems that the pro-code crowd has a problem both with "dedication" AND with the idea that there might be some REAL enforcement of the rules. (This seems to correlate with the fact that, by far, most NALs are issued to coded hams with "higher" class licenses.)

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1391. Re: E-publish

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd20a3$5748f880$ce8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 181650
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.video.marketplace,rec.video.satellite.dbs,alt.marketplace.books,alt.marketplace.books-on-tape,alt.business.home.pc

Hmmm. Indictments were just handed down for a scheme like this based in NY, weren't they?

Guess I'll pass - no money to donate to get-rich-quick scoundrels.

> Epub wrote in article:
> SUBJECT: ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING RICHES !!!!
>
> The main reason for this letter is to convince you that this
> system is honest, lawful, extremely profitable, and is a way
> to get a considerable amount of money in a short time.

1392. Amateur Radio Support PBB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: <>
Message-ID: <884750488@phx-az.com>
Source record: 181651

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1393. F6FBB Listserv Available

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: <>
Message-ID: <884750492@phx-az.com>
Source record: 181652

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< F6FBB-LIST >
----------------------------------------------------------------

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In the body of your message enter:

subscribe f6fbb-list

Example: subscribe f6fbb-list

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1394. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69hgs1$1lq@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

no.junk.mail@thank.you (Walt Davidson) wrote:

>On Mon, 12 Jan 1998 15:36:21 GMT, billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl)
>wrote:

>>There has been absolutely no statistical support for any
>>assertion that code filters out while the theory test
>>doesn't.

>The evidence is there for all to see. Just compare the garbage
>typically heard on VHF repeaters with the disciplined activity on the
>HF bands, especially in the CW sub-bands.

Strange, I keep hearing about the garbage on the repeaters
but when I drive around the northeast I find no such behavior.
Even on a comparative basis, HF phone (i.e. speech) is
no example of exemplary behavior. Comparing phone and
CW verbige is pretty dumb anyway as few people encode
(or type) profanities.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1395. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69hhkt$1lq@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181654
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

no.junk.mail@thank.you (Walt Davidson) wrote:

>On Tue, 13 Jan 1998 06:24:10 -0800, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>>Evidently people like you think "10-4 Good Buddy" is profane.

>Hardly profane .... rather, inane in the extreme.

Why is the use of 10 codes any different then Q codes. One hears
Q codes used all the time on amateur phone. Didn't the 10
codes originate with law enforcement BEFORE CB
adopted them.

>>Do you also object to foreign languages on your repeaters?

>Only pseudo-American ones, conversing in childish CB jargon of US and
>Mexican origin.

Childish CB jargon.... like there's no amateur jargon
used at all.

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1396. Re: LISTEN A CELLULAR PHONE WHITH A RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rickie Bill <kf40mc@gte.net>
Message-ID: <69hj56$r1i$1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 181655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Eric Cuthbert wrote:

> kingsnake wrote:
> >
> > How does a year in the slammer sound???
> >
> > ricardo wrote:
> > >
> > > I see on Portuguese TV ,a program about cellular phones a year ago,
> > > and whe can see a man whith a radio (whith some modifications,) listen a
> > > conversation from a cellular phone,i donï¿½t remenber very well, but i think
> > > he also use a satellite receiver whith the radio.
> > > (in Portugal they use GSM,on 900Mhz and 1800Mhz)
> > > He only tell, that a person whith some electronic knowledge can do that,
> > >
> > > Itï¿½s possible ? how ?
> > > --
> > > Ricardo Marques
> > > ricardo.marques@mail.sonet.pt
>
> It may be illegal in the US of A but not everywhere......here in the Great White
> North it is legal to listen to any wireless signal be it celluar phone, baby monitors,
> cordless phones, gov't stuff or anything else as long as you don't repeat it or use it
> to your own benefit... ie...stock market etc.....Whats the difference between
> listening to your neighbour on a cell phone or listening to the police making a report
> about your neighbour (which, I believe, is legal in the U.S.A.). If you are using a
> wireless transmitter, you should have the common sence not to devulge any
> personal information over any wireless transmition anyways....
>
> Allocations of frequencies aren't private by anymeans and if you have the
> receivers to receive or the software to decode then you should have the right to
> listen.....it may not be moral but it shouldn't be prohibited.
>
> There are mods on the internet for just about any amateur radio to receive cellular
> as well as non-distructive mods (non-permenent) for most cellular phones to
> become cellular scanners. And I'm sure that someone is working on or has already
> developed a way to decode digital encryption for celluar phones.....it's only
> natural...something we can''t have, we want!!
>
> My 2 cents worth anyways....
>
> -=73=- Eric - va3ewcc

All that I want to add is. Radio freq. Move Thru FREE space. They also enter my home and my body. I feel that if these wave enter my home or body I can do with them as I please. This means I can take these waves that enter my home and demod them the way I want. I have a right to know what is in my home, in my body, and in FREE space.

Nuf' Said......

1397. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69h7rr$4o@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181656

john c. frenzel wrote:

> To be contrasted with
> modulated CW where the morse signal is moduated onto the carrier as a
> tone and the carrier is always present.

Carrier always present? Nope. The carrier can be keyed.
Our 500 kHz transmitter at radio station NMO was always
kept in the A2 (MCW) mode with carrier being keyed. Listened
to with a receiver's BFO turned on sounded beautiful - the BFO
mixing with the transmitted tone created all sorts of lovely
harmonics, broadening the transmitted signal.

Try "sending" code by pressing your arm up/down on a piano keyboard
to get an idea how A2 through a BFO sounds.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

P.S. Snipping the filter caps in the B+ of your transmitter's
power supply will modulate your CW signal with a 120 Hz "tone."
Good for breaking through pile-ups. (Not legal in the U.S. -
wait until your next DXpedition to Cuba to try it.)

1398. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34bc5709.14508090@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Thanks for the added insight on H&W traffic; our RACES group has very
little focus on it and more on our 'Client Agencies' needs. Also,
California is not the whole west coast, just the crazy part of it:-}
Howard
KE6MAK
On 12 Jan 1998 12:31:23 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
(Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34b9bff7.11601973@news.earthlink.net>,
> <hmkarse@earthlink.net> wrote:
>
>>And any communications from the affected area to other areas will be
>>on.....HF!
>
>I disagree. H&W traffic, as of late, has been more effectively handled
>by Internet traffic. Since the is usually *some* degree of a communications
>infrastructure in a disaster, H&W traffic is still passed over VHF to
>parties on the rim of the disaster, who in turn pass the traffic over still
>operational phone circuits onto the Internet.
>
>>I live in Southern California and all of our
>>emergency communications plans utilize VHF/UHF for local coms and HF
>>for statewide/national coms.
>
>CA is somewhat of an anomaly, given it consumes virtually the entire west coast.
>
>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>-- with my guns.
>--
>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1399. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <69h7c1$f2v$1@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 181658
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34B9754F.75F1@sedona.intel.com>, W6RCA@IBM.NET wrote:
>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>> ... I believe that more people are using CW today than ever before.
>
>Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there
>were wall-to-wall CW signals. Now there is an average of two or three.
>--
>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

Trying to have a QSO on 40 meters nowadays is damn near impossible. What with the broadcasters in the way and all. Boy I'm so glad I got a portion of a useless band when I got to tech plus. I will say 80 jumps at night though with CW.

73,
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
Member: AAVSO Solar Division
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

1400. SGC 2020

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: blair thompson <blairt@direct.ca>
Message-ID: <34BC7442.3B99@direct.ca>
Source record: 181659

The battery pack for the forthcoming SGC 2020 seems gargantuan...10 D cells. A "cast of thousands" to take out into the field. Seems like few hams will power up the rig this way. Otherwise, sounds nifty from the specs.Wish the Canadian buck wasn't underperforming right now. That exchange rate would really blackjack me.
Blair VE7HHH

1401. Amateur Radio Clip Art

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com>
Message-ID: <34BC99E0.73E6@qni.com>
Source record: 181660

Ham radio clip art for your web pages and publishing
needs can be found at Zed Zed's Clip Art.

http://surf.to/ham.radio

73
KG0ZZ

1402. QST Digest - last issue (Long - 32k)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: wvanho@infinet.com
Message-ID: <69i4po$oom@news1.infinet.com>
Source record: 181661
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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TECHNICAL ARTICLES (TA)

Title>TA1:A Computer Keyboard CW Encoder
Author>Alspaugh, Ron - W6NKS
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 32-35
Abstract>Describes a CW encoder that uses a computer keyboard, without a computer. Contains construction details for a controller circuit. The author offers a pre-programmed CPU chip for sale, but not source code.

Digest>W6NKS describes a Morse-code generator that responds to input directly from a standard computer keyboard, without a computer. The only added hardware required is a programmable controller that can be built on a PC-board about 2- x 3-inches (51- x 76-mm.) in size. It uses an 87C751 microcontroller plus a few other components and a keying relay, the contacts of which can be connected to the keying jack of

almost any transceiver. A schematic diagram and complete parts list is included.

The microcontroller must be loaded with software, but the author does not describe it, nor does he make the source code available. Instead, he offers to supply a preprogrammed chip.

The encoder generates code at any desired speed from 4- to 69-words-per-minute (wpm); the default value is 15-wpm. An audio transducer is mounted on the board and supplies a sidetone for monitoring or code-practice use.

Two message buffers are included; one for preloaded messages, such as for calling CQ, and the other to allow typing ahead while in QSOs. Both buffers hold up to twenty-five characters, but typing ahead of the output is limited to no more than twelve characters. When the buffer gets within three characters of full, an LED indicator lights. For smooth transmitting, the author recommends that the operator type at full speed until the LED lights, then wait until the encoder catches up before going on. A hand key or switch be should be wired in parallel with the output contacts, since there is no way that the encoder can be made to hold key-down conditions for tuning, or other purposes.

A PC-board for this project can be obtained from FAR Circuits, 18N640 Field Ct., Dundee, IL 60118-9269 for a price of $5.60, including domestic shipping. The programmed microcontroller is available for $20, including domestic shipping, or $24 outside the USA, from the author at: Ron Alspaugh - W6NKS, Box 1534, Grass Valley, CA 95945.

Title>TA2:The Triple Trickler
Author>Meyer, Mark L. - WU0L
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 36-38
Abstract>Construction of a switching system to cycle a trickle charger between several batteries to keep them fully charged while they are not being used.

Digest>To keep lead-acid batteries fully charged and ready to go at any time, a trickle charge is necessary. WU0L has three relatively heavy-duty batteries for his rig, his RV and his motorcycle; sometimes many weeks or months pass when one or more of them are not used. In order to avoid the necessity of manually connecting a charger to each at intervals, he designed a simple circuit that automatically cycles a trickle charger onto each of them, in turn.

Although his circuit is built for three outputs, it can be expanded to as many as ten. However, the author warns that if it is used with ten batteries, each will only be charged one-tenth of the time and that may not be sufficient.

His system uses a wall-cube DC power source to provide the charging current at rates up to 0.4-Amps. It should be emphasized that it is to be used only for trickle-charging a battery that is fully charged at the

start. The switching circuit utilizes a 555 timer that issues an output pulse approximately every 13-minutes. That pulse goes to a 4017 decade counter that is wired so that one of its output pins is positive at all times, and it steps from one pin to the next each time a pulse is received. Since he originally designed the switching system for only three batteries, only the first three pins are enabled and after the third position times out, the cycle returns to the first pin.

Each active pin is connected to a power MOSFET that delivers the charge current to its respective battery whenever its input is positive. To add the capacity to handle an additional battery, it is only necessary to add another MOSFET and rearrange a jumper wire that controls the recycling point of the counter.

A PC-board for this project is available from FAR Circuits at the address given in the preceding article, for $5.50 including domestic shipping. A complete circuit diagram and parts list are included in the article.

Title>TA3:An Ultra-Simple Receiver for 6 Meters
Author>Kitchin, Charles - N1TEV
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 39-41
Abstract>Construction of a super-regenerative receiver for 6-meters.

Digest>This article describes a simple receiver for the 6-meter band that is capable of receiving AM, SSB, FM and CW signals. It can be operated for short periods using only a 9-Volt transistor battery. For long-term use two 6-Volt lantern batteries, in series, will operate it for many months.

It uses a super-regenerative detector with one stage of RF amplification ahead of it, and an IC audio amplifier after it. Tuning is controlled by a 50-pF. variable capacitor. Because it is very sensitive, a gear-reduced dial is strongly recommended. Likewise, the regeneration control is very critical and the author recommends using a 10-turn pot for it. The combination makes the receiver easy to operate. For best performance, the regeneration control should be readjusted each time the tuning is changed.

Construction of the receiver is not difficult, but certain precautions must be followed. It should be built on a single PC-board and it should have a metal front panel. The tuning coil must not be mounted directly on the circuit board; it should be mounted well above the board on some sort of standoff insulators. It must be kept well away from the chassis ground and any other metal parts. If the entire receiver is to be built inside a metal box, it should be thoroughly checked on the bench to be sure oscillation occurs before it is mounted in the box.

A schematic diagram and parts list is included in the article. The author also provides complete instructions for initial tuning and adjustments.

PRODUCT REVIEW (PR)
Conductor: Rick Lindquist - N1RL
Sr. Asst. Technical Editor

Title>PR1:QST Compares - Economy and No-Frills 2-Meter FM Hand-Held Transceivers
Author>Kleinman, Joel - N1BKE
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 60-68
Abstract>Performance review of 2-meter H-Ts: ADI AT-201, Alinco DJ-190T, Alinco DJ-S11T, ICOM IC-T2A, Kenwood TH-235A, Midland 73-030, and Standard C156A.

Digest>This is a performance review of seven 2-meter H-Ts: the ADI AT-201; the Alinco DJ-190T; the Alinco DJ-S11T; the ICOM IC-T2A; the Kenwood TH-235A; the Midland 73-030; and the Standard C156A. Although they are all single-band FM handhelds, it is not quite correct to call all of them "No-Frills"; some offer a number of features generally seen only in more expensive gear.

The prices really do deserve the appellation "Economy", as the most expensive one of the group has a current street price of about $215. All of them provide memory channels; all provide switchable power outputs; all contain a CTCSS encoder; all are well-built and operate well. They all operate on internal batteries and, in almost all cases, they can also be plugged into a 12-volt DC supply. When operated on external power, they will develop higher RF output.

ADI AT-201
The AT-201 contains 40 memory channels and has a keypad. It performs well and provides a maximum 2.5-watt output when working on internal batteries, which are NiCd. The reviewers found the LCD display to be too small for comfort. A typical selling price is $170.

Alinco DJ-190T
This unit does not contain a keypad; programming the 40 memories requires five different steps, but is not difficult. The LCD display is remarkably large and legible. The rig's maximum output power, on batteries, is 1.5-watts. Standard batteries are NiCd. The current street price is $173.

Alinco DJ-S11T
The DJ-S11T is the smallest of the seven, only about half the size of the largest ones. It can easily slip into a shirt pocket. Unlike all the others, it does not have a "rubber duck" antenna; it uses a fixed telescoping whip.

The maximum power output is only 0.34-watts and the unit operates on three AA batteries. It provides 20 memory channels; programming them is somewhat more complex than with units having keypads. The reviewers found that the limited power prevented them from accessing repeaters

that were more than one mile (1.6-km.) away, which they felt is a severe limitation. The average purchase price is $120.

ICOM IC-T2A
The IC-T2A is rugged and a good performer. The received audio was stronger and clearer than most of the others. It provides 40 memory channels and the keypad is large and easy to operate. The controls can be user-programmed. The power supply is 8 AA NiCd cells instead of the typical monolithic battery pack. The output power is 4-watts while on internal batteries. The reviewers criticized the LCD display as "a bit too small for easy use". The typical selling price is $170.

Kenwood TH-235A
The TH-235A includes a keypad, but has a minimum of other controls. The reviewers found that programming the unit is a pleasure; it was the simplest of all seven to program. The display is too small for some icons to be seen easily. The maximum output power is rated as 1.5-watts, but the reviewed model put out 2.5-watts while using the internal NiCd battery pack. It provides 60 memory channels. A common street price is $173.

Midland 73-030
The Midland unit may be hard to find in US stores. It contains a keypad, has an adequate display, performs well and seems well built. It provides 73 memory channels and uses a NiCd battery pack. The maximum power output is 2.8-watts maximum on battery power. Its street price is $215.

Standard C156A
The C156A is rugged and good looking. It has a keypad and adequate LCD display. Reviewers found it somewhat difficult to program. It provides 100 memory channels and this is the only one in the group that allows a name to be appended to each channel, using up to seven letters for each. It uses four AA batteries for internal power and puts out 1.8-watts. The street selling price is $200.

TECHNICAL CORRESPONDENCE (TC)
Conductor: Paul Pagel - N1FB
Assoc. Technical Editor

Title>TC1:Which Solar Activity Measurement Should I Use?
Author>Luetzelschwab, R. Carl - K9LA
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 71-72
Abstract>To calculate radio propagation with modern software, one should use the smoothed solar flux or sunspot number, not the daily measurements.

Digest>K9LA makes a persuasive case that one cannot expect to have good results in calculating radio propagation characteristics using the value of the K-index or the solar flux number, as observed on the current

day. There is too much variability from hour-to-hour and day-to-day. The proper method of using the available prediction software is to take the smoothed solar flux or smoothed sunspot number, because they were the variables used in developing the ionospheric model upon which the programs depend.

Title>TC2:Chrysler Responds
Author>Gilmore, Bill - WB8FPQ
Source>QST Dec 97, p. 72
Abstract>For electrical safety, mobile equipment should be grounded to body sheet metal, NOT directly to the battery terminal.

Digest>WB8FPQ is a project engineer with the Chrysler Corporation and replies to a question from N8BLK in "The Doctor is IN", QST Aug 97. Contrary to most common beliefs, mobile radio equipment should be grounded to vehicle body sheet metal, NOT directly to the battery terminal. When the equipment is correctly connected, if the battery negative lead opens, the current being supplied by the alternator is safely returned to the engine block; or if the vehicle is off, it cannot draw starter current through any path. That is the only way to ensure a safe condition for all wiring and accessories.

HINTS AND KINKS (HK)
Conductor: Bob Schetgen - KU7G
Sr. Asst. Technical Editor

Title>HK1:Rewinding Relays for 12-Volt Operation
Author>Wade, Paul - N1BWT
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 69-70
Abstract>How to rewind DC relays to operate on different voltage.

Digest>In hamfest flea markets 24-volt and 48-volt DC relays are relatively common and inexpensive. They can be made much more convenient if they are rewound to operate on 12-volts. The author has derived equations that determine the number of turns and wire size required to make the conversion.

Magnetic force in the relay structure that causes it to operate is determined by the product of current flow times the number of turns of wire in the coil. To make a new winding equivalent to the original, one needs to duplicate the original number of ampere-turns using more amps and fewer turns. But the new coil will have to take up no more space than the original one.

The number of turns of wire that can fit in a given space is inversely proportional to the square of the wire diameter. Also, the resistance of copper wire per foot is inversely proportional to the square of the diameter. And the power that is dissipated in the coil is proportional to the current squared times the resistance. From these three

relationships, the author proves that for any size of wire that fills the bobbin, the same amount of power consumed provides the same number of ampere-turns. From that, the size of wire can be calculated that will draw the proper amount of current at the lower voltage to consume the same number of watts as before.

The standard American Wire Gauge (AWG) numbers are reduced by one for each increase of 1.26:1 in cross-sectional area, so the author shows the following relationships between supply voltage and wire size:

Original Desired Size Change
28-V. 12-V. 4
48-V. 12-V. 6
115-v. 12-V. 10

In other words, if a 48-Volt relay is found to be wound with No. 38 AWG wire, converting it to 12-volts would require wire six gauge numbers heavier, or No. 32. Winding the same bobbin as uniformly and as tightly as possible to fill exactly the same space as the original coil should provide a coil that will work exactly the same on 12-Volts DC as the original did on 48-Volts.

Title>HK2:Paint Spray Heads as Knobs
Author>Joy, Lawrence W. - WN8P
Source>QST Dec 97, p. 70
Abstract>Some small electronic variable components have very small diameter shafts. Control buttons on spray cans can sometimes be used as knobs.

Digest>WN8P needed a replacement knob for a rotary switch and the shaft was too small for any of the knobs in his junk box. He found that a control button from the top of a spray could fit the shaft tightly and it served the purpose very well.

Title>HK3:A Good Sidetone Oscillator
Author>Bramwell, Denton - K7OWJ
Source>QST Dec 97, p. 70
Abstract>For a pleasant tone, build a sine wave audio oscillator using a phase-shift circuit.

Digest>These days, most hams wanting simple audio oscillators would probably build them using digital ICs, such as 555 timers. K7OWI needed one for a CW sidetone application and found that the digital circuits he tried tended toward key clicks, chirps and harsh notes.

He decided that what he needed was a sine-wave oscillator, which he built using a transistor in a phase-shift oscillator circuit. It has worked out well. He has included a schematic diagram and parts list with his letter.

NEW HAM COMPANION

Title>NHC1:The Doctor is IN
Author>Various
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 49-50
Abstract>Questions and answers on subjects of primary interest to new hams.

Digest>Questions discussed in this issue include: how to measure the impedance of headphones and microphones; MARS frequencies; connecting stereo outputs to monaural inputs; appropriate ground buses; legality of cross-band contacts; incompatible standards for 56-kbps modems; spread-spectrum communication; coherent CW; and others.

Title>NHC2:On the Road - the Joys of HF Mobile
Author>Ford, Steve - WB8IMY
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 51-54
Abstract>Hams who commute via automobile can take advantage of the driving time for operating amateur radio.

Digest>Many hams, especially those with small children, find that they have very little free time in which to enjoy their hobby. But many of them spend a half hour, or more, commuting to and from work every weekday. WB8IMY relates how he has succeeded in making use of his commuting time to work DX on the HF bands.

He permanently installed an ICOM IC-706 HF transceiver in his automobile and mounted a 20-meter Ham Stick antenna on the trunk lid. He selected the IC-706 because it has a detachable control panel that he has mounted at a convenient place next to the shift lever. It is connected to the main body of the transceiver located in the trunk by a cable that he snaked under the transmission hump between the front seats. The power wiring was fished through the grommeted hole in the fire wall that carries all the car's other electric wiring. He connected it directly to the battery terminals, with fuses inserted in both wires.

Now he enjoys his radio activities at times when he otherwise would have had only the frustrations of commuter traffic to contend with.

Title>NHC3:The Crystal Radio
Author>Evison, Dave - W7DE
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 56-57
Abstract>Building a crystal radio using modern components.

Digest>If amateur radio is to continue to thrive, clearly more young people must be enticed into it. Many old timers will agree with W7DE when he writes that the best way to interest youngsters is to introduce them to the electronic components and wiring of radios, rather than to treat them as just electrical appliances. Many of the seniors began with crystal radios, and they are still is good vehicles to pique kids' curiosity.

This article provides construction details for a crystal radio. The detector is a 1N34 germanium signal diode, instead of a cats whisker! But the rest of the components would have been familiar to an experimenter in the 1920s. A schematic diagram and full parts list is included, as well as several photographs of the finished item.

Title>NHC4:HF QRP "Foxhunting"
Author>Mugleston, Brad - KB0ROL
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 58-59
Abstract>Describes a type of radio contests for hams using very low power. They have no relationship to direction-finding "fox hunts".

Digest>Most hams recognize the word: "foxhunting" to mean trying to find a hidden transmitter using radio direction finding. The kind of foxhunting KB0ROL is writing about is not that; he is describing a QRP activity that was initiated by K5FO, the founder of the Internet QRP Club. This club is dedicated to the use of Internet to bring together QRP enthusiasts.

QRP foxhunts are a form of contest similar to "sweepstakes", in which QRP operators try to work as many other similar stations as possible. They occur on Monday through Thursday from October through March on both the General and the Novice/Technician Plus portions of the 40-meter band. Starting frequencies are: 7.040- and 7.110-mHz. for General Class and Technician Class operators, respectively.

Dates and times are posted on the World Wide Web site: http://qrp.cc.nd.edu/QRP-L/index.html. Alternatively, any interested person can get full information via E-mail by subscribing to the QRP-L E-Mail Reflector. All messages sent to the Reflector are automatically routed to everyone on the subscriber list. To become a subscriber, send an E-mail message to: listserve@lehigh.edu. Make the body of the message:
subscribe qrp-l
<your name>
<your call>
Or else, communicate directly on the QRP Club Web site:
http://qrp.cc.nd.edu/QRP-L/index.html

One does not need to become a member of the Internet QRP Club to be a subscriber.

GENERAL INTEREST ARTICLES (GI)

Title>GI1:The Boise River Festival - An Amateur Radio Showcase
Author>Barrett, Tony - N7MTZ and Wade, Steve - KF7YC
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 28-31
Abstract>Boise, Idaho hams play a vital role in management of a major yearly event that draws many thousands of visitors to the city.

Digest>The Boise River Festival is a yearly event that lasts for three days every June. It brings as many as a million visitors into Boise, Idaho. Traffic control, event scheduling, medical emergencies, and all of the other factors involved in an event that involves such a large number of people, present major problems. But all those problems are ameliorated if there are good and continuous communications throughout the city.

Ham radio operators play a major role in the event and 1997 represents the seventh year it was held. The hams, through experience, have developed their roles to high degrees of efficiency. Hams work in close cooperation with the Boise Police Department and serve as additional eyes and ears when it comes to public safety. They also have become known as Festival Ambassadors who answer questions for the public. If they do not know the answers immediately, they are in continuous radio contact by H-Ts with the people who can answer them.

For the last several years, N7MOE and several others have equipped mobile units with amateur television cameras (ATV). These units give not only verbal reports, but actually transmit surveillance camera scans of any problem areas to monitors in the Police Department Command Center.

These amateur activities not only play a major role in making the festival safe and fun for all, but also bring a great deal of favorable attention to amateur radio as a hobby.

Title>GI2:SAREX - Looking for Tomorrow's Scientists Today
Author>Hollenbeck, Michelle "Missy" D. - AA0OF
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 42-43
Abstract>A shuttle astronaut communicates with school children.

Digest>In September, 1996, the space shuttle Atlantis was in orbit. One of the astronauts aboard was Jay Apt - N5QWL, and he conducted Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiments (SAREX) during which he communicated with school children via amateur radio. One of the classes that talked with him was at Andover Middle School, Andover, Kansas. During one pass overhead, Apt answered twenty questions by students from an audience of about 200 people gathered in the school cafeteria. Several months later, he visited the school and met face-to-face with many of the pupils he had talked with by radio. This article describes the event. It was written by the teacher who managed the entire meeting, both the original radio contact and also the arrangements for Apt's visit.

Title>GI3:The Digital Audio Radio Service
Author>Kleinschmidt, Kirk A. - NT0Z
Source>QST Dec 97, pp. 44-47
Abstract>Soon satellites will begin broadcasting digital hi-fidelity audio to USA listeners.

Digest>In April, 1997 the U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued approvals to two competing companies to establish satellite-based digital audio radio service (DARS). Each will launch a geosynchronous satellite provide CD-quality audio broadcasting beamed to all 50 states of the United States.

Each will broadcast in a 12.5-mHz. portion of the 25-mHz. wide DARS band at 2.320- to 2.345-gHz. With sophisticated compression techniques, each transmitter will be modulated to carry 50 audio channels, 30 of them ultra-high fidelity for music and 20 more with lower fidelity for voice.

For reception, patch antennas about the size of a silver dollar will be used. Because most radio listeners are travelers in vehicles, primary attention in equipment design is being given to mobile receivers. It is projected that the satellites will be launched late-1999 and early-2000. Receivers will be in full production and available to the public at approximately the same time. It is estimated that they will be priced at about $150, each.

Without doubt, there will be amateurs who will experiment with DARS technology for amateur operations. It will be interesting to see what impact they may have in the ham radio of the future.

Title>GI4:Radio Coaches
Author>Gagne, Jennifer - N1TDY
Source>QST Dec 97, p. 48
Abstract>ARRL plans how hams can cooperate with a Federal program to mentor children and adolescents in the amateur radio hobby.

Digest>Earlier this year Presidents Clinton and Bush, along with other prominent political, business and professional leaders held a conference and created a multi-year campaign to be called: "America's Promise, the Alliance for Youth". The program seeks commitments from people across the country to help insure that young people have access to five critical resources:

1. Ongoing relationship with caring adults.
2. Safe places and structured activities during nonschool hours for learning and growing.
3. A healthy start through proper medical care.
4. Marketable skills through effective education.
5. Opportunities to serve their local communities.

In response to the call, the ARRL Board of Directors created a "Radio Coaches" program to encourage amateurs' involvement in youth activities. The ARRL is asking all its Affiliated and Special Service clubs to form a "Coaching Team" that will build a relationship with a school, community organization or other institution. Acting in a manner analogous to coaches of athletic teams, they will coach young people on the elements of electronics and the magic of radio communication through ham radio. The ARRL will supply recommended plans and other information to try to maximize the effects of these activities.

For more information, contact the ARRL Field Service Department via
E-Mail: coaches@arrl.org.

1403. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC8BAE.8D219635@ibm.net>
Source record: 181662

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> I see a bunch of people who would be better suited in the FRS. I
> don't think we need more of them. We need more dedicated communicators
> and technical innovators. We don't need more mundane "pick up milk on
> the way home, honey".
>

You know, the above mind-set typifies those who claim we need "quality, not quantity" as far as hams go. What they really mean is that they don't have any use for hams who aren't like themselves. Too much of their sense of self-worth is wrapped up in whatever skill or trait they have that makes them feel superior to their brother amateurs. So much for tolerance!

What is wrong with an amateur who likes to communicate for fun, maybe doesn't have a technical background, and who isn't a "dedicated" communicator? Nothing, that's what. That probably describes most amateurs. It sure as hell describes me. Amateur radio is my lifelong hobby, but hey, it is a hobby. You don't have to be an electrical engineer to be an amateur, and you shouldn't have to be. It is a hobby, not a calling.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

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Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

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China has bought the White House."

1404. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC8FFF.C07044DB@ibm.net>
Source record: 181663

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
Actually re-testing may be just what we need to rejuvenate
the hobby, if
> you can't cut it then your probably the guy screwing up my SSB QSO on the satellite.
>
> Tim, ka8ddz

God, that's exactly the theory that was behind incentive
licensing, which practically killed off the hobby in short
order. We never, never learn. And nope, I'm not the guy
screwing up your SSB QSO on the satellite.

--
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1405. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC90A6.6C55014F@ibm.net>
Source record: 181664

Gary Coffman wrote:
>

> I'm not asking that the exams for renewal be *harder* for an experienced
> and long time licensed amateur than for someone fresh off the street.

Fortunately, it doesn't make a darn what you are asking, in
this regards. Retesting has about as much chance of
becoming law as I do of becoming President. Both are
crackpot ideas that will never see the light of day. :)

How the heck did this idiotic thread ever get started
anyway? We all get tired of arguing about Morse Code?
--
Roger J. Buffington
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1406. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC8C5D.ACDDEB74@ibm.net>
Source record: 181665

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>

> I wouldn't have any problems re-passing my code exam, would you?
>

Nope. But so what? Morse Code is strictly a recreational
mode, mainly for elderly hams. No reason to require busy
working people who have already passed their Morse test to
get their general, advanced, or extra class to waste their
time re-honing a recreational skill for which they have no
use or interest.

--
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1407. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC8F0B.93189CB9@ibm.net>
Source record: 181666

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Roger, W6VZV wrote:
>
> > For example, many, perhaps most hams are disinterested in
> > CW. They bone up, pass the test once, and promptly forget
> > CW. What is wrong with that?
>
> I disagree. CW is sort of like riding a bike. Once you learn it you have it
> with you the rest of your life. You may be rusty and have to bone up a little
> to get your speed up but you don't have to go through the whole learning
> process again.
>

For some yes. For some no. And my point is that the
"boning up a little" is a complete waste of time. Who
cares? Morse is strictly a recreational mode for elderly
hams.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

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1408. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BC8E8D.81E5272A@ibm.net>
Source record: 181667

Gary Coffman wrote:
>

>
> What we need are amateurs who can prove that they have retained the
> knowledge and skills the government considers necessary for them to
> have in order to be radio amateurs.

Why? Why do we need these things? When I look at most of
the questions in the pool, I mainly see things that I
learned strictly for passing the test. Not things that I
use being a radio amateur. All that crap about figuring out
impedence, and those other formulas. I passed 'em all, back
in the days of FCC testing (except for the extra: took it in
'92) ... utterly useless. (I rarely have met any amateur
who ever used any of that crap). The stuff that I have
really used, such as RFI abatement techniques via toroids,
grounding of the station for safety, etc., is conspicuously
absent from the tests. Exception: regulation stuff like
band limits, power limits, etc.

Most amateurs learn what they need in order to be good
amateurs not from the tests, but from their experience as
amateurs. Same as in many professions, such as law or
finance (my two callings). Re-testing is a half-baked, even
a crackpot notion. Its consequence would be the demise of
the hobby. Don't think so? Just look at the effect
incentive licensing had. Re-testing would take the
incentive licensing idiocy (almost everyone agrees that is
what it was) to its extreme. It would kill the hobby dead.

What really gets me is that you people would impose this
burden on hundreds of thousands of amateurs without any real
showing that there is a "harm" that needs to be
"corrected." You would just do it because it seems like a
good idea, maybe over your evening cocktails. Well, that's
in the best spirit of Big Government. Thank God none of you
is in any kind of position of power over your fellows, or
ever likely to be.

--
Roger J. Buffington
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1409. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114131200.IAA17525@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181668

In article <69hht8$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) writes:

>Frank, you must be new here. CBDumbo (AKA 'Spew' Durigan,
>KF4DDM,
(mnmaniac@aol.com)) suffers from a very bad case of ticket envy.
>He's been
pestering people here for years, he just disappears now and then
>when he can't
take the heat, and then reappears with another identity a few
>months later.

Been listening to/parroting your buddy Tommy again...eh, Jimmy?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1410. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114131500.IAA17702@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181669

In article <34BC8E8D.81E5272A@ibm.net>, "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
writes:

>Why? Why do we need these things? When I look at most of
the questions in
>the pool, I mainly see things that I
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use being a radio amateur. All that crap about figuring
>out
impedence, and those other formulas.

Also a real lack of material that is relevant to today's amateur communication needs. An entire test element on Morse code, but nothing on digipeters? Uh, sure...makes sense to me.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1411. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980114131601.IAA26276@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181670

In article <34BC8F0B.93189CB9@ibm.net>, "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
writes:

>For some yes. For some no. And my point is that the
"boning up a little" is
>a complete waste of time. Who
cares? Morse is strictly a recreational mode
>for elderly
hams.

The numbers of whom become smaller every day as old age takes it's toll.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1412. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BCC2FD.EB@ibm.net>
Source record: 181671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:
> Strange, I keep hearing about the garbage on the repeaters
> but when I drive around the northeast I find no such behavior.

What's funny, Bill, is that one of the retired old HF phartz
who uses the open Intel repeater, is complaining that a
particular conversation on the repeater was "gobblygook". The
topic of that particular "technical" conversation involved
complex impedances. "What the h___ does 'j' stand for? Why
don't you guys talk in English?" When I explained the function
of 'j', the old guy thought I was pulling his leg. :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1413. Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bcb959.363668@news.total.net>
Source record: 181672
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
people instead of plug 'n play calculator.

Abacus features:

- Requires practise to use it
- Old mode. More than 1000 years old.
- Very slow.
- Inaccurate
- Can be used during the Emergency because it doesn't use any
batteries (so what ?)

If you really force school kids to learn Abacus, you must be
really silly. (don't take me wrong. I know abacus and I
sometimes use its method when I calculate something in my head.
I always complain something after I try it... I have a qualification
that qualifies 10 9-11 x 25 digits +/- calculations within 10
minutes, 20 6-7 & 6-7 x or / calculations within 10 minutes and
more...)

This is very similar to CW/No-CW debate. CW requires practise, old
mode, relatively very slow, inaccurate and "could" be (?) used during
the emergency... but if you really think CW is heaven and does
everything, you are deadend.

Be a pro-abacus and many don't care.
Be a pro-CW and many don't care.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.

Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1414. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BCC6AA.6ECB@ibm.net>
Source record: 181673
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:
> Childish CB jargon.... like there's no amateur jargon
> used at all.

What's funny, Bill, is the other day I said, "Handle here is Cecil" just like I have been saying for 46 years. The guy came back and said, "We hams don't use that CB-type lingo. How long have you been a ham?" I replied, "Since before the 11m CB band existed". Most younger hams don't realize that the CBers picked up their lingo from the other services, including a lot from hams just like us. It's just one more way that ham radio reminds me of a religion which includes the Morse code ritual, the CBer scapegoat, the commoners (techs) and the high priests (extras), and the attacks upon anyone rational enough to point out their silliness.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1415. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BCBDBB.2938@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181674
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:>
And as a filter it (CW) doesn't result in any more elimination of bad
> apples than the theory test does.

In the time when one had to *learn* to pass the test instead of the
current memory exercise, that was true. Today, no. The code test *is*
the only remaining true qualification, and is likely to remain so for
the time it remains.

Dick W0EX

Any test will keep out
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> of code, then why doesn't VHF exhibit a proliferation of
> bad apple behavior any more than HF does?
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK
> ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> No Code International, member - 1007
> Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1416. Re: Masa is back

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bcbe4e.1632523@news.total.net>
Source record: 181675
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 10 Jan 1998 17:38:41 -0500, Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
wrote:

>There was a piece on the local CBC radio outlet on Friday, and I thought
>also on the six oclock local CBC tv news (I might be mistaken about the
>latter, since I was "watching" CBC tv via an FM BCB radio) about hams
>providing communication, here in Montreal and in Quebec City.

Sheldon (VE2SHW) who works at Radio HF in Montreal provided the
excellent amateur radio interview with CBC radio across Canada (live).

>There was very little preparation, which probably is the key to emergeny
>preparation. Until it happens to you, it is too abstract to think through
>the details, and all the lists of things to have on hand and be prepared
>can always be put off till tomorrow.

I had at least 100 batteries before this occured. I could use them
for HT and for flash light.

>My power was off for only 24 hours, and that at the end of a week of power
>problems elsewhere in the city. As long as the security of the power was
>there, it was easy to wait till later to get some batteries and food that
>you can eat without heat.

Our power was off for about 24 hours and generator started to work so
we didn't get much problems.

>I'll not have the problem again, though there may never again be a
>problem. I'm going to get that 12V gelcell battery that I've been
>planning to get, just in case, to be able to power a radio and some small
>bulbs, which would be definitely better than AA cells and a flashlight
>that wasn't working all that well.

>This doesn't really answer the question about hams, because I don't know
>the situation. I realize in this situation how nice it would have been to
>have a 2m rig.

that's the thing. most of the traffics (emergency included) are
passed on 2m (or 440 repeaters...) not 30m CW or something.
You will be alone if you don't have a voice VHF rig.

Believe me. If you listened to some of the repeaters, most of the
emergency traffics are handled by no coders. (majority of VHF and
UHF rigs are owned by no coders ?)
Many coders tried to chit chat on the repeaters just like as they do
on CW or something and they were kicked off.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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1417. Icom PCR1000 info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stefano Merendino <merendin@usa.net>
Message-ID: <01bd20d8$bf6c1c00$9a9b14c2@user>
Source record: 181676

I'm probably going to buy the new icom scanner IC-PCR1000!

Did anyone test it?
How is it?
Is it better than the IC-R10?

Thanks!

Merendin@usa.net

1418. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc5egg@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <69iikp$7q9@dfw-ixnews10.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181677
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In <34BCBDBB.2938@scan.missouri.org> Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> writes:
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>the time it remains.
>
>Dick W0EX
>

You know Dick the pro-code-test crowd keeps beating this memorization nonsense into the ground. Most people, non technical included, find it easier to just learn the material.

My wife recently got her ticket and starting off she had question pools flash cards etc. and after a day or so she came to me and said, "I'm not going to memorize all this, teach me what it means." So we entered a learning phase and she went on to perfect scores on all the written tests she took. Her comment after testing, "I don't see why or how anyone could memorize all those questions." Naturally there are things you have to memorize like band edges and rules but it much easier just to memorize the information rather than a large number of questions.

Now I realize that this is not a statistical sample but I did find it interesting that a totally non technical person prefered to learn the material rather than memorize hundreds of questions.

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1419. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34BC912D.11A5@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181678

> kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote...
>
> Let's change a few words:
>
> > Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not
> > keeping people out. If theory testing is an unnecessary barrier
> > to that, then theory testing needs to be removed.
>
> Yep, that fits.

REPLY...

It does not fit because you ignored the key word, "unnecessary."
Radio theory (rules, safety, etc.) are necessary. Testing for knowledge
of CW is not.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1420. Finding a webpage

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: john sumner <afn60669@afn.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.95.980114103206.85374A-100000@freenet2.afn.org>
Source record: 181679
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.shortwave

Could anyone point me into the right place to find the webpage for the 3945 amateur radio group i lost the address and i need help

I am a stranger in a
even stranger land
WARNING all of my
email is forwarded
to my hotmail account
jsumner34@hotmail.com
suspended until 1/6/98

1421. Stevenson Confuses "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69ip3k$o0l@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181680

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Jim Kehler <kh2d@kuentos.guam.net> wrote in article
><68uu69$a6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>...
>> "KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:
>>
>> >$ 100.00 A Year Liscensing Fee. I Guess Freedom Of Speach Does Have A
>> >Price, Or Are We Just Being Punished For Exercising Our Rights & Abilities.
>> >Gregg KD5BAY Where In Texas Our Freedom & Rights Are # 1.
>>
>> Well, no Greg, in your case, I think you are being punished for NOT
>exercising
>> your abilities, if you want to consider it 'punishment'. You might want to
>> check the Texas Constitution, and see if the use of HF is mentioned there,
>you
>> never know.
>>
>> In the proposal for licensing fees that Carl has submitted to the FCC, I
>believe
>> it says that the fee for Texas is $500 a year. Everything is bigger in
>Texas,
>> you know......
>>
>> 73, Jim KH2D

>Readers of the above should take note that, as usual, Mr Kehler has "put
>words in my mouth."

To take words out of your mouth, Sqiggy, 'Go Borrow or Rent a Clue'.
Readers of the above should take note that, as usual, Mr. Squiggy is so busy
looking for a no code argument that he wouldn't recoginize humor if somebody
beat him to death with a pile of comic books.

>I have NOT "submitted a proposal for licensing fees to the FCC" ... I simply
>stated here that, perhaps, those who rail about how one must "work for one's
>license" and "prove one's 'dedication to the hobby'" (through the current
>program of forced Morse learning/testing, of course) should have no problem
>in "putting their money where their mouths are" if the money was earmarked
>for FCC enforcement in the ham bands ...

We realize that you have NOT submitted anything to the FCC. You never will.
I don't have a problem with paying a yearly fee for a license. I don't think
$100 is enuff. $100 is a mediocre dinner where I live. I think $1000 would get
rid of more of the dead wood. If you'd like to donate $1000 to the FCC for
enforcement, I'll be glad to match it. Which reminds me, I haven't received a
bill from your shrink yet.

>Seems that the pro-code crowd has a problem both with "dedication" AND
>with the idea that there might be some REAL enforcement of the rules.
>(This seems to correlate with the fact that, by far, most NALs are issued
>to coded hams with "higher" class licenses.)

Amazing how easily you confuse yourself, Squiggy. 'Problem with dedication'. I would think that anybody who doesn't have two weeks to learn Morse code fits more into that catagory. Turn the church sermon into the no code debate, like usual. Maybe you can explain to us why most people who don't have a drivers license never get speeding tickets.....

73, Jim KH2D

1422. K8EF Web Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: gfoley@freenet.columbus.oh.us
Message-ID: <69ipru$m0u@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>
Source record: 181681

Some may be interested in

http://home.columbus.rr.com/gfoley/radio

73 and Happy New Year

Gerry K8EF

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Gerry

1423. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Metcalf <pmetcalf@xyplex.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2114$30aabbc0$17acb38c@pmetcalf.xyplex.com>
Source record: 181682
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

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It is most likely Intermodulation that is causing you to hear the ambulance
service. Intermodulation is the mixing of 2 or more frequencies resulting
in the creation of another frequency. This frequency may fall within your
bandpass and sound right on.

-> Phil
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Graham VE1FC <ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca> wrote in article
<34adb5a9.0@198.164.187.20>...
> I have both a 202 and a 242.....
> The 202 is GREAT.. excellent receive..
> The 242 is just too dam broadband on receive...
> I receive the local ambulance on the 147.165 machine here in town.. I
wish
> the 242 was narrow band like the 202.... Also sensitivity is poor on the
> 144-148 mhz area... Hell I got the 3 year contract... Might as well slap
it
> on the counter for them to look at....
>
> All said and done the Radio Shack radios are good.. as far as I am
concerned
> ..
> Graham
> ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca
> http://www.surfcity.nb.ca/~ve1fc
>
> Cutie Boy wrote in message <34abc5f8.164334@news.total.net>...
> >On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 01:25:09 -0800, "Ted Lee"
> ><amway@nospam.rogers.wave.ca> wrote:
> >
> >>I first spend $400 Cdn to purchase that radio.
> >
> >I bought it for $299.
> >
> >>Next month it was on sale for $329, I should of waited,
> >
> >RS reimburses you a price difference if within 30 days (I always buy
> >a stuff when it's on sale. It's usual to see $100-$150 discount on
> >certain products).
> >
> >RS Canada sells a card that gives you a 10% discount on anything from
> >regular price at $15 I think. If you buy something over $100, you

> >will get the card free.
> >
> >If something is priced $400, you will able to get it $360 instead.
> >
> >Many people don't know this... just a tip from "cutie boy" :)
> >
> >
> >>Brought it in again for repairs. This time the warranty ran out. So it
> cost
> >>me $120 to fix.
> >
> >>Waited four months. Replace more chips, at my cost, no labour cost
since
> >>under repair 90 day warranty. Cost me an other $90.
> >
> >>I listen about 200 minutes for every minute transmitted!!
> >
> >>My old 2nd hand Kenwood TR-7800 works great, never had a program.
> >
> >I realize some of the RS stuffs don't work after a couple of days.
> >It happened to me a couple of times... but usually these things
> >happen in first 30 days and can be replaced very easily.
> >
> >
> >Make sure you buy an extend warranty on high priced products.
> >My HTX-202 went to repair for a couple of times and I got a new one.
> >If I had no extended warranty, my HTX-202 just became a garbage (202
> >comes only 90 day warranty).
> >
> >>Here my brand new HTX-212 spending more time in the shop that actual
> usage!
> >
> >I am using HTX-242. Seems it's working OK.
> >
> >
> >>I have a HTX-202, works great, along with my ICOM IC-02AT which I've
been
> >>using 320 days a year since 1989.
> >
> >>no problems with voltage, or swr.
> >
> >
> >> So why did the HTX-212 fail me twice?
> >
> >you didn't have a luck.
> >
> >
> >>So next time, buy the extended warranty for Radio Shack radios.
> >

> >depends on what you purchase though...
> >
> >I don't buy any extended warranties on scanners... but I do buy it
> >on amateur stuffs.
> >
> >
> >>never again to buy a Radio Shack mobile.
> >
> >
> >My 242 is working OK. My 202 wasn't working OK.
> >kinda opposite eh ??
> >
> >
> >_____
> >
> >Gar�on Mignon (�galement connu comme M@S@)
> >Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> >�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
> >Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
> >Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> >URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> > http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> > http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
McGill)
> >_____
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> sollicit�s!!
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1424. Re: Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BCFEA4.51D5@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181683
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
> use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
> people instead of plug 'n play calculator.
>

A Sign of the Times and indeed the No-Code philosophy--He has already forgotten he has a brain to do basic math with, if he ever knew. Quite likely he wasn't "required" to learn such mundane things as the multiplication tables and long division--That's where we are in education today, but no matter, an electronic calculator will save the day! Technology to the Rescue, Forever!
Wonder if it's stuck to his butt, he sure wouldn't want to lose it.

Dick W0EX

1425. WANTED: Active 6 Meter repeater freqs for East TN and surounding area

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-14 00:00:00 UTC
From: chia@news.utk.edu
Message-ID: <69ivimaun2@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
Source record: 181684

Looking for active 6 Meter repeaters in the East TN and surounding
area. I have one so far, so anyone with info please E-Mail me or post it
here. Thanks ahead of time.

KF4UAE

chia@korrnet.org

1426. Heath HW2P/HW4P Tone Bd

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: gmartin@rbc.org
Message-ID: <884895574.481165317@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181435

Hi
Looking for info on a Tone Bd (CTSS)unit For Heath HW2P/HW4P HT
need info on getting one or pin outs to conn. to unit, Diagram to
built etc. Also Who Made it for Heath?
Contact W8JJD
George Martin, Email gmartin@rbc.org
Phone 616-942-6770 ext 2587 TNX

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1427. Re: 146.52 and monitoring

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BE6C05.A38141FC@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181436

Mark Johnson wrote:

> I've been known to beep '52' in Morse on the car horn when
> passing or being passed by an appropriately-antennaed car,
> particularly one with callsign plates.

And if you are VERY lucky the ham in the other car will actually be able to know cw and copy what you send. On the other hand he may think you are honking at him for other reasons and take a shot at you.....

If some have their way you will just have to start holding up a poster with your message on it. Of course that will not last very long because after they get rid of the cw requirement they will start whining that it is too hard to read .....

> The other method of getting attention in this situation is to display
> five fingers followed by two fingers; I've done that and gotten a
> response on the radio when traffic was heavy enough I didn't want
> to use the horn.
>
> WB9QLR
>

A couple of the repeater groups here offer bumper stickers with the repeater or simplex frequency of your choice. You can get them to go on your bumper or in your back window.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1428. what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd21ca$758b0f40$LocalHost@default>
Source record: 181437

a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abrieviations stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well i asked what "ham" was. one guy said it was a cut from a pig.
well, that made me think about the comparison between "hams" and pigs. pigs as a whole are very lovable. they only require lots of food, a cool place to relax, and plenty of attention when other animals are around. in fact if a pig see's that he is not the center of attention, he will start making loud & annoying noises.
a week ago, i went to a ham club meeting with a "ham" that is helping me with my code practice. there was lots of food with plenty of club members gathered around filling their plates. As a matter of fact, the table was so crowded, i had to force my way in to get a drink.
After everyone cleaned the tables off, the talking started. well the guy at the podium did the least of the chatter, with everyone talking over him to make their point. it dint take long for the noise to get loud and annoying.
OH YEA, one more point. the heat wasn't working too good, so everyone was complaining about the cold. chock one up for the "hams".

1429. Re: ALINCO DJ180 Problem!!!! Please Help.!!URGENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd21cb$bf8230a0$0e1871ce@default>
Source record: 181438

a series of buttons have to be pusshed at the same time on power up. a friend tells me to try freq,vfo,split at the same time.???? the right combination will give you a word displayed when turned on. you only have to turn th unit off then on again to get the freq display. on my adi, the word is pass.

ffdd232 wrote in article <69l9oh$p5e@sdrn.zippo.com>...
> Please help me with the following problem:
>
> I have come into possesion of HT Alinco DJ180, but the problem is that
> the only thing that is shown on the display is: Ch and the number of the
channel
> i tried to RESET it but apparently no effect.!!
>
> I guess that someone has Jumpered something inside radio thus preventing
> outside modification.! ?
>
>
> Please help if you know WHAt and WHERE to CUT
>
> Thanx.
>
>
> mail me at vr100@rosey.com
>

1430. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884898537.633929737@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181439

rogerjb@ibm.net waved his store-bought callsign and wrote:

> .... as in many professions, such as law or finance (my two callings).

The May Day parade in Moscow is the largest, most important military parade of the year. In the early 90's parade, Yeltsin and Gorbachev invited Ronnie Reagan to come watch it with them.

The parade commenced with a battalion of tanks, followed by a division of infantry, followed by armored personnel carriers and mobile artillery. They had mobile ballistic missile launchers, electronic jamming vehicles, and throughout the entire time the formations were overflown by squadrons of the most advanced interceptors, fighters, and long-range tactical and strategic bombers. Reagan, who had never been this close to war in his life, except in the movies, was suitably impressed.

Then he noticed that, way back at the end of the parade, there was a disorganized, messy bunch of men in rumpled suits tagging along behind the last artillery pieces. "Who are they?" he asked.

"Ah," said Yeltsin, "those are our lawyers and economists!"

"But I thought this parade was military..." said Ronnie, confused.

"Mr. Reagan," said Gorbachev, "have you SEEN the damage those men can do?"

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1431. Re: REPEATER CONTROLLER out of a PC??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115182500.NAA09779@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181440

sounds like a great idea. I have access to some old 286 machines. Where can I get information about this concept?

-KF4RTY
Jeremy

1432. GMRS HTs for TRADE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34BE8191.17F1@asu.edu>
Source record: 181441

I have a pair of Radio Shack PRS-101 ten channel GMRS transceivers I
want to trade
for one of the items listed below. The radios are hardly used, 10-10,
and come with
AC adapters/battery chargers. Output is switchable, .09 and 2 watts.
Speaker-mic/Headset
jack. I will trade the above, originally $179.00 each, for
one of the following, in good condition:

1) A 9600-baud TNC that will work with a Mac OR
2) A Ranger 2950 OR
3) A Yaesu VX-1R OR
4) A 6M mobile, especially Yaesu FT-690 OR
5) An Index Labs QRP+ transceiver

All inquiries via email please. Thanks

--Will White

will.white@asu.edu

1433. Re: Cutie Boy Wrote

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BE808D.A81E0DD5@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 22:12:29 -0600, Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
> wrote:
>
> >Have you ever thought about thinking before engaging your tounge ?
>
> I don't have to think anything.

Yep, that about says it all. And indeed, you are doing a wonderful job of
it.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1434. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115221800.RAA02021@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181443

>>>
>>> I would like to enable the full 27 mhz band on a ts 830s. If anyone can
>>> advise how, would be grateful.
>>>
>>> Regards
>>> Andrew.
>>>

I'm gonna address this post right back to the original poster. Andrew, I notice that you did not ask the other three questions that would have to be addressed before I would consider showing you the mod you are asking for:

1 how to reduce power to below 4 watts

The legal max output on AM CB is 4 watts. Your superior modulation and a good antenna/ground system will make your rig sound far more powerful tnan the guys with a stick stuck on thier pickup truck mirror. You definitely need to run modest power output. There are so many users of the CB bands that you will be sure to be interfeing with somebody when running a strong signal. Not only will drawing attention to you increase the risk of you getting caught, but you will be interfering with other stations that you cannot even hear, so the common courtesy of listening first before transmitting won't be sufficient. Reduce your power output to a watt or 2 first before asking for the frequency mod.

2 Output filtering

The output filtering on your rig is optimized for the ham bands. You need to get yourself a nice PI network tuner to those harmonics off, and know somebody with a scope to check your output.

3 Responsible operating.

I would have to see evidence that you are a skilled and responsible operator before turning you loose on CB with a rig capable of runnong 100 watts, tuning out-of-band- split, and off- frequency. I would have to be convinced that you are concerned enough about the quality of your signal to learn about spectral purity and how to test your output with o-scope, spectrum analyzer, etc. I would have to be convinced that you would never, for any reason, operate in a discourteous manner or with poor technique.

I will give you a hint. If you study RF design for a few months, you might be able to figure it out from your schematic. If you find it on your own, I guess you will have earned the right. If not, it is irrelevant... nobody can stop you from modifying your radio... only using it in an illegal manner.

Even with good operating practices, legal output, etc, you still can't legally use your rig on CB mainly becaise it has the capability to tune off-frequency.

OK, so where does that leave us? Well, Andrew, you still have yourself a nice ham rig there, and there is one thing you canuse it for legally besides just SWLing.... working other hams using your own callsign issued by the FCC.

Getting licensed is not such a big deal. 6 year old kids have earned ham tickets! There are deaf hams, blind hams, paraplegic hams, hams with learning disorders, all with one thing in common: an "I think I can" attitude. All you need to heat up a wire with that rig of yours is a Novice License. One simple little written exam, a 5 WPM morse exam, and that's it! The questions and answers are published, wo you can test yourself before you take the exam. If you can answer the questions on your own, you can do it at the exam session. 5 WPM code is also a no-brainer. Download SUPERMORSE 4.16 from my web page:

http://members.aol.com/RCrusoe/ab5vh.index.html

and i guarantee you will be doing 5 WPM plus in a week or two if you work out 2 or 3 times a day for 10 minutes a stretch. Read the doc files and you will learn all there is to know about learning the code.

I'll make you a deal... give me your Novice, Tech Plus, or General callsign, and I'll tell you a little bit more about what you're looking for.

Radio Shack usually carries "Now You're Talking!", which is the study guide for the Novice and both Technician licenses. Crack that book, and take it one comfortable bite at a time. The book is not full of techno-babble and is long on explaining concepts that the aspirng ham may have trouble with. Not only does the book prepate you for your exam, but it also goes into station setup, buying or otherwise acquiring gear, legal requirements, effective, responsible, and considerate operating techniques, and really just about everything the new ham needs to get on the air where the REAL learning starts.

If you decide to go for your license, and you bought the book or some other study guide, and you have downloaded SUPERMORSE, give me an e-mail shout if you need any help at all. If you decide "Naaaahhh!" well, I understand. Just realize that for most new hams with HF priveleges, the biggest hurdle to getting on the air is a rig, and you have one that most new hams would trade their teeth for. Shame to just use it for bootlegging!

Good luck, Andrew, and please think about this.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
dit dit

1435. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34BE8CB6.214C962@mindspring.com>
Source record: 181444

Not too long ago I saw a special
on TLC/Discovery and a Chinese student
smoked about five others in a calculation
contest. He was armed with an abacus; they
were armed with calculators. Neat.

Phil
--
Phil Heaton
ke4krt@mindspring.com
http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

1436. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69m323$b6p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181445

In article <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
Spew Durigan <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>1) Invite newcomers, lessen and then drop the Morse requiremen (immediately to
>5WPM or less for all classes of license, then remove when the ITU allows), and
>try like hell to get as many fresh voices on-the-air as possible. Then attempt
>to organize these newcomers politically and use their newfound strength to
>lobby for retention of the current allocations.

I.... I.... I sense deja-vu. Am I reading a message from the mid-80's. I
could swear this is an argument for the creation of the codeless tech
license. Yes, yes, that's it... The no-code license. It is going to save
amateur radio. And here is why... <insert above quoted text here>

>2) Keep discouraging newcomers, keep the code, watch the numbers of licensees
>continue to stagnate or drop

"continue" implies an action which is already or is currently happening.
The number of new hams, in ALL license classes (http://www.speroni.com/FCC)
have *increased* continuously every year. 30K new hams last year, in all
license categories!

Sorry, but the "number of licensees" is not dropping or stagnating. Only
in your dreams.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1437. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34BE8D51.1CF1@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181446

DANO wrote:
>
> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abrieviations
> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well i asked what "ham" was. one guy said it
> was a cut from a pig.

So you can be the first one on your block to know:

In the early days of Amateur Radio, before people were assigned calls
and merely made one up there were 3 young men that put together a
station.
They must have been quiet active as when they quit using a combination
of their last names, one started with H; one started with A; and the
other
started with M and abbreviated it to HAM, the word HAM became associated
with Amateur Radio.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1438. Re: Cutie Boy Wrote

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34be94bf.1093099@news.total.net>
Source record: 181447
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 14:33:01 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

>> >Have you ever thought about thinking before engaging your tounge ?
>>
>> I don't have to think anything.
>
>Yep, that about says it all. And indeed, you are doing a wonderful job of
>it.
>
>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA

please do not quote something that doesn't follow what the originators
try to say.

you should know how to quote something in English.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1439. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115231800.SAA20139@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181448

>
>I have read a few messages which talk about OOK morse. Would
>somewone enlighten me on what OOK morse is?
>Larry ve3fxq
>
On/Off Keying. The term is seldom used these days since practically all morse
code is in fact OOK. There have been other modes in the pastusing Morse.
FSK, Frequency Shift Keying telegraphy is one.

OOK is more all-encompassing than the term CW. For instance, OOK would include
MCW, Modulated CW which is receivble by ordinary AM mode receivers. Basically
any mmode involving turning something on and off to transmit Morse Code signals
is OOK

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
dit dit

1440. Re: Cutie Boy Wrote

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34bf991d.83590344@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181449
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 23:00:18 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

>On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 14:33:01 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
>wrote:
>
>>> >Have you ever thought about thinking before engaging your tounge ?
>>>
>>> I don't have to think anything.
>>
>>Yep, that about says it all. And indeed, you are doing a wonderful job of
>>it.
>>
>>73
>>Mark
>>WA0DCA
>
>please do not quote something that doesn't follow what the originators
>try to say.
>
>you should know how to quote something in English.
>
to say this means that you are a racist

1441. APRS to be featured on Spectrum Saturday

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Spectrum Radio Program <spectrum@orn.com>
Message-ID: <69m9l5$p10$1@ha2.rdc1.nj.home.com>
Source record: 181450
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.packet,rec.radio.shortwave

This week on Spectrum we will be talking to Steve Dimse K4HG who will be talking about APRS. (Automatic Position Reporting System) You can also call in and ask questions live.

Spectrum airs live Sunday at 0200 UTC (2200 EST Saturday) on:

GE1-6, Clark Belt, 7.56 MHz WIDE AUDIO
WWCR, Nashville TN, 5070 KHz SHORTWAVE
WODI, Brookneal VA, 1230 KHz AM

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1442. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69mb33$htc@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181451

DANO wrote:
>
> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abbreviations
> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well i asked what "ham" was. one guy said
it
> was a cut from a pig.

The origin of the word "ham" in reference to amateur radio operators is
explained here:

http://www.arrl.org/whyham.html

Glenn, AA5PK

1443. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34BEAF6F.2BCF@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181452

M Johnson wrote:
>
> CBRambo wrote:
>
> > I wasn't aware that a callsign was required in order to use a computer,
> > access
> > the Internet, or post a message on USENET. When was that law enacted?
>
> I will talk real slow and with little words so you will understand it.
>
> If you notice just about all of the users to this group use either their name
> and or call on their posts. They are not hiding behind mommy's skirts like
> you do. They are at least willing to stand by what they say and be identified
> as a real person. You on the other hand can only be taken for what you have
> presented yourself as. A faceless and gutless wanna be who can talk tough
> with the keyboard but does not have the balls to back up your dribble with the
> identity of a real person. In other words a typical internet troll who really
> does not have a life outside of your computer screen.
>
> I don't believe you have ever passed a cw test. Just another tall tale from a
> wanna be who wants mommy to buy him a ham license rather than work for one.
>
> >
> >
> > "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
>
> In the trailer park using mommy's computer and aol account
>
> > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
> He tries but nobody can understand the mumbling coming from behind his
> mommy's skirts.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

Thank you for your post, and I agree! Mark for President(hi hi)!!!

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1444. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Pender <steam@megsinet.net>
Message-ID: <69mcqd$f33$2@news.megsinet.net>
Source record: 181453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Get yourself a bandpass filter, since our two meter receivers are all built with front ends as wide as barn doors these days.

D.C. I. has an excellent one. AES carries it. This WILL cure your problem.

_____
Mike Pender Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.
Steam@megsinet.net or N9IVO@Amsat.org
Fax: 708-795-7003
Amateur Radio Call: N9IVO W.A.S. DXCC 10X-66444
A.M.A 529703
I.B.E.W. Local 9 Lineman 17 years.

1445. Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ron Boyd <rdboyd@hiwaay.net>
Message-ID: <34BEE5B4.6756@hiwaay.net>
Source record: 181454

Hello:

The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee is to cover a license period of 10 years.

It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?

73 de Ron

1446. Re: ALINCO DJ 180 PROBLEM >> Pleasee HELP Urgent.!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69mjj7$iau@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Ar77mj wrote:

>I have obtained Alinco DJ 180 HT which is unfortunately blocked in some way
>The only thing that can be seen on the DISPLAY is: Ch and the number of the
>channel, the standard RESET procedure doesn't help.!! so i do presume
>that some JUMPER wire is soldered inside.!!!

>If someone knows What and where to CUT please POST.!! or e-mail
>at vr100@rosey.com

>THANX

Try calling Alinco's tech support, I'm sure they can help you. Almost all of the radio manufacturers have people who are able to answer questions over the telephone.

73, Jim KH2D

1447. Looking For IC207H Mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Krueger <atec@gglbbs.com>
Message-ID: <34BEDA1A.7175913F@gglbbs.com>
Source record: 181456

Looking for mods for IC207H.

Tnx Bob
atec@gglbbs.com

1448. Re: Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BEDCC5.46E4@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

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Dan Finn wrote:
>
> mega@no-spam.mjk.com wrote:
> >
> > cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
> >
> > > I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
> > >use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
> > >people instead of plug 'n play calculator.
> >
> > You honestly and truely don't get it, do you?
> >
> > --mjk--
>
> Ha ha ha, great post! He gets it. Plug-and-play 'calculators',
> plug-and-play rice box radios with plug-and play no-tune solid state
> amps, using plug-and-play antennas.
>
> 73
>
> KR4AJ

A Plug and Play operator......
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1449. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R1501982154300001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 181458

In article <34BEE5B4.6756@hiwaay.net>, rdboyd@hiwaay.net wrote:

>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?

I think it is safe to say it will be at least $50. Any other numbers would
be pure guesswork.

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

1450. Re: Amateur Radio Clip Art

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34BED774.1585@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181459

> janet11@nospam.ibm.net (Janet) wrote...
>
> I got it, but it took forever to load.

REPLY..

I was able to get through also, but I have agree with Janet - the
server will not win any speed awards (it is real slow).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1451. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: paul@actiontel.com
Message-ID: <34bd8976.221038283@news.abilene.com>
Source record: 181460

Carl Stevenson wrote this:

>The Morse requirement is about as relevant to qualifications for HF
>access as is the color of one's skin to one's ability to play golf ...
>you code bigots have exercised your own form of discrimination that
>is as arbitrary and unjustifiable as racism for decades in order to
>exclude those "who are not white enough" (those who don't beep to your
>satisfaction) from your "country club" on HF.

I'm really sorry you feel this way about the code. Obviously your opinion is not shared by the majority of HAMS. As for me? Ham Radio ain't golf and country clubs and no code weenies ain't Tiger Woods. Just because something you desire requires hard work and is not easy, that does not mean it is discriminatory. That's just your twisted spin on it.

As for the $100.00 annual fee, man..... Thank God you don't hold public office.

Paul

N5DUP

AM Lives!

1452. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: paul@actiontel.com
Message-ID: <34bd8fb7.222640006@news.abilene.com>
Source record: 181461

Gareth Crispell wrote:

>Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>spread?
>I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>this is no longer considered true.

It's true. I do that running legal limit. It's so easy, turn the mike
gain down.

Paul
N5DUP

AM Lives...

1453. Re: What is OOK morse?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lee St.Clair" <w7ax@montananet.com>
Message-ID: <01bd213a$84160fa0$5a2d28cf@default>
Source record: 181523

It means'on/off keying'

larry <lar01@sprynet.com> wrote in article
<34b7d2ab.23970313@news.sprynet.com>...
> I have read a few messages which talk about OOK morse. Would
> somewone enlighten me on what OOK morse is?
> Larry ve3fxq
>
>

1454. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115014101.UAA06673@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181524

In article <34BD1E68.700519B@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> IAs I have stated many times in the past, I currently
>
>hold an amateur license with HF privileges. I have passed the code
>test.

Now Now, little boy. You know it is not nice to tell fibs to your
>elders. If
you really had done so you would not be whining and crying and
>hiding behind a
fake name with no call sign.

I wasn't aware that a callsign was required in order to use a computer, access
the Internet, or post a message on USENET. When was that law enacted?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1455. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69jqln$is6$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181525

In article <19980114131200.IAA17525@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com
says...
>
>In article <69hht8$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim
>Kehler) writes:
>
>>Frank, you must be new here. CBDumbo (AKA 'Spew' Durigan,
>>KF4DDM,
>(mnmaniac@aol.com)) suffers from a very bad case of ticket envy.
>>He's been
>pestering people here for years, he just disappears now and then
>>when he can't
>take the heat, and then reappears with another identity a few
>>months later.
>
>
>Been listening to/parroting your buddy Tommy again...eh, Jimmy?
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

How about settling things once and for all...convince us that we're wrong
in our assumptions.

You've done nothing so far except make fatuous remarks.
--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1456. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69jr22$is6$4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181526

On 1998/01/14 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>Do you suppose that maybe that's just what the government wants you to do?
>Perfect solution as far as Washington is concerned...they no longer have to
>bother with amateur radio issues and can make big $$$ by selling off the
>spectrum.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Re-testing will never materialize without a fight and the ARRL
putting the proper "spin" on the issue, should it even become an NPR. The
ARRL stands to lose a lot more in the way of "memberships" and, more
importantly, power.
--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1457. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69jr94$is6$5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181527
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 1998/01/14 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)

>>Not when we're talking about publicly-owned frequencies and
>>government-issued
>>licenses.
>>
>
>Spoken like a true anarchist of the airwaves.
>
>
>How so, Tommy? How does advocating removal of an outdated and irrelevant
>requirement of licensing make me an "anarchist?"
>
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Considering your past glorification of freebanders, I'd say the title fits.
I would have thought you'd take it as a complement.
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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1458. Re: FreeBand (FB) Radio Includes 12, 11, & 10 meters now.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: w4pqwhs@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115024000.VAA15688@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181528

Roger, you bring up some good pointsabout the conduct on the ham bands and the policing of the bands..FCC has taken a "hands off" approach to most of theham related problems,ARRL has been sued or threatened suit for advising someone of their infractions, if you as an individual reprimand someone, thats just what most of them want, a hassle..probably what we need to do is get a serious movement going in the radio clubs and other organized groups to have a trained and knowledgeable committee to work on this at the local level. What do you think? Harold W4PQW

1459. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115030600.WAA19775@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181529

Take the out-put of the interfered - with radio(audio), and plug it into your stereo. Put at least (1) speaker against the wall, facing the neighbor. When the next call is placed, CRANK UP THE VOLUME.

Deny everything when they come to your door.

After a few times they will stop using that 'phone, and it won't cost you anything!

Your Welcome,

K&#65533;MB

1460. Wanted: Mods for Kenwood TM-261A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Steven Loeffler <loeffler@mail.wiscnet.net>
Message-ID: <34BE2410.5CD44CDA@mail.wiscnet.net>
Source record: 181530

I am looking for any mods for the Kenwood TM-261A 2 meter mobile
transceiver. Please respond to: loeffler@mail.wiscnet.net

Vy 73,

Steve - WB9ZRE

1461. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69k2dc$d73$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181531

Roger,

You OBVIOUSLY QSO with different people than I do. Hmmmm.... after reading your comments I can understand WHY you QSO with different people than I do, too!

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <34BD6EBB.812AC4D9@ibm.net>, rogerjb@ibm.net says...
>
>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>>
>
>> Sucks to get little things like "facts" in the way of a good rant, huh?
>>
>Mike, you wouldn't know a fact, if it bit you in the arse.
>I say it is mainly a passtime for oldsters, and so it is. I
>have my logbook to prove it: Age hr is 105, fought in WW1,
>73 QSL sure" ... lotta qsos like that, old fellow.
>
>--
>Roger J. Buffington
>W6VZV
>
>
>"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
>Grandfather...
>Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."
>
>"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
>the White House bought new china.
>Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
>China has bought the White House."

1462. Re: SGC 2020

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: frog207Lillypads@juno.com
Message-ID: <69k3bm$62g$2@news.ncal.verio.com>
Source record: 181532

In article <34BC7442.3B99@direct.ca>, blairt@direct.ca wrote:
>The battery pack for the forthcoming SGC 2020 seems gargantuan...10 D
>cells. A "cast of thousands" to take out into the field. Seems like few
>hams will power up the rig this way. Otherwise, sounds nifty from the
>specs.Wish the Canadian buck wasn't underperforming right now. That
>exchange rate would really blackjack me.
>Blair VE7HHH

The battery pack is about the same size as the small radio. But the big problem is the cost. If I understood their web site data correctly, the battery pack costs MORE than the radio.
Very nice looking little unit, though. I'm looking forward to seeing it in a dealer's showroom in February.

Ed W7DXZ

REPLY INFO:
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Return address modified to prevent automatic SPAM response.
TO REPLY: remove the "lillypads" from my return address.
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1463. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69k31p$d73$2@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181533
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Gee... It must be mighty lonely up there looking down on everyone.

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <34BC5263.310D@asu.edu>, will.white@asu.edu says...
>
>Glen Quarnstrom wrote:
>>
>> Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>>
>> >Gary Coffman wrote:
>> >> . But Morse tests have nothing to do with
>> >> behavior, good or bad. \
>> >
>> >
>> >Except, that passing a 13 WPM test requires a lot of study, alot of
>> >committment, something CBers have a short supply of
>>
>> Oh, bullshit.
>>
>> If it weren't for CBers, guys like you wouldn't have anyone to look
>> down on.
>
>
>I have plenty of other groups to look down on. Dittoheads, MLMers,
>Microsofties, Flat-taxers, CDa-ers, to name but a few. . . .:)

1464. Re: radio shacks 2-meter rigs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: whisper@igs.net
Message-ID: <34bda02e.15909245@news.igs.net>
Source record: 181534
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

My HTX 202 has performed under very tough conditions for over 4 years now, flawlessly.
There seemed to be a group of them however, roughly two to three years ago that had some serious problems with the finals and bias.Also some modulation problems were reported.
I think when they tried to speed up production to meet demand, quality control went out the window.
On the subject of intermod, I have found the HTX 202 superior to most portables. If you modify them for wide band receive however, there are serious problems with rejection.
Just remember it is a portable, and any comparison must be with other portables.

Just my thoughts.

Peter DeWolf
VE3YYY

On 14 Jan 1998 17:44:06 GMT, "Phil Metcalf" <pmetcalf@xyplex.com> wrote:

>
>
>It is most likely Intermodulation that is causing you to hear the ambulance
>service. Intermodulation is the mixing of 2 or more frequencies resulting
>in the creation of another frequency. This frequency may fall within your
>bandpass and sound right on.
>
>-> Phil
>
>Graham VE1FC <ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca> wrote in article
><34adb5a9.0@198.164.187.20>...
>> I have both a 202 and a 242.....
>> The 202 is GREAT.. excellent receive..
>> The 242 is just too dam broadband on receive...
>> I receive the local ambulance on the 147.165 machine here in town.. I
>wish
>> the 242 was narrow band like the 202.... Also sensitivity is poor on the
>> 144-148 mhz area... Hell I got the 3 year contract... Might as well slap
>it
>> on the counter for them to look at....
>>
>> All said and done the Radio Shack radios are good.. as far as I am

>concerned
>> ..
>> Graham
>> ve1fc@nbnet.nb.ca
>> http://www.surfcity.nb.ca/~ve1fc
>>
>> Cutie Boy wrote in message <34abc5f8.164334@news.total.net>...
>> >On Mon, 29 Dec 1997 01:25:09 -0800, "Ted Lee"
>> ><amway@nospam.rogers.wave.ca> wrote:
>> >
>> >>I first spend $400 Cdn to purchase that radio.
>> >
>> >I bought it for $299.
>> >
>> >>Next month it was on sale for $329, I should of waited,
>> >
>> >RS reimburses you a price difference if within 30 days (I always buy
>> >a stuff when it's on sale. It's usual to see $100-$150 discount on
>> >certain products).
>> >
>> >RS Canada sells a card that gives you a 10% discount on anything from
>> >regular price at $15 I think. If you buy something over $100, you
>> >will get the card free.
>> >
>> >If something is priced $400, you will able to get it $360 instead.
>> >
>> >Many people don't know this... just a tip from "cutie boy" :)
>> >
>> >
>> >>Brought it in again for repairs. This time the warranty ran out. So it
>> cost
>> >>me $120 to fix.
>> >
>> >>Waited four months. Replace more chips, at my cost, no labour cost
>since
>> >>under repair 90 day warranty. Cost me an other $90.
>> >
>> >>I listen about 200 minutes for every minute transmitted!!
>> >
>> >>My old 2nd hand Kenwood TR-7800 works great, never had a program.
>> >
>> >I realize some of the RS stuffs don't work after a couple of days.
>> >It happened to me a couple of times... but usually these things
>> >happen in first 30 days and can be replaced very easily.
>> >
>> >
>> >Make sure you buy an extend warranty on high priced products.
>> >My HTX-202 went to repair for a couple of times and I got a new one.
>> >If I had no extended warranty, my HTX-202 just became a garbage (202

>> >comes only 90 day warranty).
>> >
>> >>Here my brand new HTX-212 spending more time in the shop that actual
>> usage!
>> >
>> >I am using HTX-242. Seems it's working OK.
>> >
>> >
>> >>I have a HTX-202, works great, along with my ICOM IC-02AT which I've
>been
>> >>using 320 days a year since 1989.
>> >
>> >>no problems with voltage, or swr.
>> >
>> >
>> >> So why did the HTX-212 fail me twice?
>> >
>> >you didn't have a luck.
>> >
>> >
>> >>So next time, buy the extended warranty for Radio Shack radios.
>> >
>> >depends on what you purchase though...
>> >
>> >I don't buy any extended warranties on scanners... but I do buy it
>> >on amateur stuffs.
>> >
>> >
>> >>never again to buy a Radio Shack mobile.
>> >
>> >
>> >My 242 is working OK. My 202 wasn't working OK.
>> >kinda opposite eh ??
>> >
>> >
>> >_____
>> >
>> >Gar�on Mignon (�galement connu comme M@S@)
>> >Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>> >�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>> >Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>> >Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>> >URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>> > http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>> > http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
>McGill)
>> >_____
>> >***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>> >***Please remove "ham" to reply.***

>> >
>> >ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non
>> sollicit&#65533;s!!
>>
>>
>>

1465. Re: CQ K7RMJ & W6RCA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69k580$d73$3@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181535

Who me?? {{innocent grin}}

I don't see any hornets...:-} (winks at Cecil)

Pleased to meet you Cecil.

Good to see you again Tom... You should toss your two cents worth into
the group and see what floats...:-} There are a lot of good ideas to be
found here!

See you on 7040,

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

In article <34BCE4D8.307F@amsat.org>, NE7X@amsat.org says...
>
>Wow!!! The two of you really like to stir up the hornets nest here.
>
>Cecil, meet my long time old friend, Frank K7RMJ
>Frank, meet my long time old friend, Cecil W6RCA
>
>O, by the way, I just got my new "Thanskgiving Club" callsign
>from the FCC. Now I hold "four" callsigns.
>
>KC7ZZO = Thanksgiving Club <==(soon to be replaced with WB7ASR)
>KC7TMB = Intel Club
>WB7DDQ = High Freqs of AZ
>NE7X = Personal
>
>73s and keep the flames going on the news groups.
>
>Tom NE7X...

1466. Need antenna tuner advice.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: patbrown@webtv.net
Message-ID: <69k5v0$3kv$1@newsd-122.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 181536

Please help. I am trying to decide whether to buy a Kenwood AT-50 auto antenna tuner or a MFJ 989 tuner. I'm using a Kenwood TS-50 and an Outbacker Perth Plus antenna. I live on the ground floor of a two-story apartment complex and have no real way to ground the antenna I'm using, so a tuner is about my only option. Anyone with experience using either of these tuners or the Outbacker Perth Plus antenna that could help me out would be appreciated.

1467. Webpage UPDATE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Albert AERTS <albertaerts@innet.be>
Message-ID: <34BDAFAB.24971ECE@innet.be>
Source record: 181537
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,uk.radio.amateur,nl.radio.amateur

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The "ON6TS Fact Sheet" which is accessible through the
"Aerts Family Homepage" has been UPDATED.

http://www.club.innet.be/~pub012134

73's de Albert

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Amateur Radio Callsign: ON6TS
HF Pactor: 14076.5, 18106.5 or 21076.5 mark carrier
Email: albertaerts@innet.be
URL: http://www.club.innet.be/~pub01234
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1468. Re: Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: petermaus@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115082801.DAA12093@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181538

>Abacus features:
>
> - Requires practise to use it
> - Old mode. More than 1000 years old.
> - Very slow.
> - Inaccurate
> - Can be used during the Emergency because it doesn't use any batteries
(so what?)

There is nothing inaccurate about the abacus. Just as there is nothing inaccurate about long division, or multiplication tables. Technology fails. We tend to forget that. Packet is certainly more contemporary than CW, but in the event of a technology failure, CW can be improvised, and communication continued, packet cannot.

Isaac Asimov wrote a story years ago about a social order that was so used to technology, that everyone carried a personal computer with them that was interfaced, wirelessly, to a humongous, common mainframe. This, by the way, was years before Newton or Thinkpad, and even before the Bowmar Brain. But the story was that the computers upon which everone depended, suddenly failed. All of them everywhere. Improbable, true. But the point is, that no one was prepared to carry on without them. Because all other modes of processing data, and at that time the major use of computers was mathematical, so no one knew things like long division. It was a humorous exercise getting back to a functioning social order again, and also a very clear message was presented. Old, obsolete, is not necessarily bad.

If lightning, or heaven forfend, a sudden EMP from a weapon should strike our solid state, microchip based digital culture, who would be prepared with vacuum tube technology to continue at least a portion of our technological operations so that the social order can be maintained? Not many. And true, Hams have a reputation these days of being trapped in the past. But think about this realistically, and you'll realize that when technology fails, the only people ready to act will be those whose understanding includes the old, the obsolete, and the simpler levels of technology, to continue, at reduced speed certainly, but to continue. Such has been the service of the ham from the inception of the Amateur radio hobby.

As for the code requirement? Look at it as the secret handshake to get into the club. Its easy to learn, but it does take some effort. And let's get real here, if you can learn the complex subtleties of digital transmission and encryption, don't tell me you can't learn CW code. Its that you choose not to. Hey, its required to get into the club. Its another level of accomplishment. Its another notch in your belt of communication skills mastered. How the hell can that be a BAD thing?

Obsolete? Yeah probably. Slow? Maybe. Like the abacus, it depends on the operator. (And I can find at least two abacus operators who can produce faster results than I can with my calculator. That's a matter of commitment.) Old? Sure it is. So is The Bible. But that used to be called, "standing the test of time," Again, when did this become a bad thing? But given the state of the thinking in this country, I suppose even The Bible is considered obsolete these days. It certainly is clear that many don't care about that, either.

1469. Antenna in Japan for BBC SW...?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: groveti@bigfoot.com
Message-ID: <B0E3FA789668178B0C@0.0.0.0>
Source record: 181539

I'm using a Sony SW-100 with its stock 6-meter line antenna joined (not coupled) to a 10-metre length of standard PVC-covered antenna wire. I'm on the top (5th) floor of apartments facing south-south-east, and I've run the antenna vertically 3 meters, then 7 metres along the top rail of a fence made of 13mm/half-inch mild-steel bars (i.e., many verticals + two horizontal rails).

Reception is pretty poor, but I can't make any major changes in the layout except use my 7-metre long balcony (same fence design).Like the roof fence, it faces towards Hong Kong and Singapore, the major BBC relay stations around here

Any suggestions? The Sony antenna tuner/amp AN2 made no difference. Would dropping a vertical wire (max. 6 meters) be better? Insulation from the fence?I've thought about cutting the roof fence from earth with insulators so I have a 7m x 1.7m mild steel array, but I think the Apartment Police would object...

DD

1470. BBC World Service winter freq's on-line?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: groveti@bigfoot.com
Message-ID: <B0E3FA7B9668178BCB@0.0.0.0>
Source record: 181540

Lost my BBC magazine here in Japan.

Is there an on-line site for winter frequencies? an FAQ?

Maybe even e-mail addresses for Bush House, etc?

Thanks

DD

1471. Alinco Mod.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Antunes <andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt>
Message-ID: <69ki9u$bfl@news.EUnet.pt>
Source record: 181541
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,uk.radio.amateur

Hello everyone,
I have a Alinco DR-150. On the full power mode, it can only deliver 40
watts.
Does anyone know how to get more power of this equipment?
Thanks to all.

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Andre Antunes
andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt

1472. Alinco Mod.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Antunes <andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt>
Message-ID: <69kipq$bi8@news.EUnet.pt>
Source record: 181542
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,uk.radio.amateur

Hello everyone,
I have a Alinco DR-150. On the full power mode, it can only deliver 40
watts.
Does anyone know how to get more power of this equipment?
Thanks to all.

--
Andre Antunes
andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt

1473. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115093300.EAA28971@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181543

In article <19980111192500.OAA08830@ladder01.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>If you retested the No-Code you would Probably have a 1 to 2 percent pass >rate

How can this be when...according to the pro-code faction...only the code requires real learning while the theory tests are simply memorized?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1474. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115094000.EAA00197@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181544

In article <69bsnu$5so$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>On 1998/01/11 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>Question for Tommy: how does
>this (as you have claimed) show that I either
>currently live in Kansas
>and/or have previously lived in Florida?
>
>
>Note for those who are having a tough time following the quotations: "CB
>RAMBO
>is quoted as sending the lines prefaced by "-". The other party sent
>the ">"
>lines. Thus, "CB RAMBO" did NOT send the "I live in Wichita" line.
>
>
>
>What's your answer, Tommy?
>

>
Trying to change the subject of your racism aren't you?

No. I'm trying to get you to show proof of what you claim. To show proof of your accusations. Hey, I'm not gonna argue about your conclusion. Like I said before, you got me. I'm Drew from Florida or whoever you say I am. But let's see some substantiating evidence on how you arrived at this conclusion. You stated that I had posted that I live in Kansas. Upon forcing you to repost that to which you (erroneously) referred, I have proven that I did not make any such statement. I win round one.

>How about
>answering why your racist posts appear on ks.misc and not on
>any other state's newsgroup?

Gee, Tommy. There could be lots of reasons. Relatives in Wichita, perhaps? Friends? Business acquaintences? Perhaps I visited there and found the city a little too...uh, "ethnic" for my personal tastes. By the way, Tommy, your opinion that my post was "racist" is simply that...your opinion.

>How come you're so knowledgeable about
>Orlando being a "crime mecca" which, in another post, also happened to
>be on ks.misc and nowhere else?

Okay...if you insist. Since you obviously have way too much time on your hands, go ahead and post this one (I'm sure you've saved it on your hard drive because it means so much to you), and we'll go through this nonsense all over again.

>Proof you say? Proof can be interpreted in
>different ways depending on the
>context in which it is presented, just as I
>have done. So how about
>convincing me otherwise?

Doesn't work that way, Tommy. In this country, an individual is innocent until proven guilty. Not the other way around, as you have suggested should be the case here. I would also suggest that you obtain legally-permissable evidence before making accusations against someone, as you have done. If Drew from Florida were to see these posts of yours, he may well have grounds for a libel or defamation suit against you.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1475. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115094000.EAA17122@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181545

In article <19980113002900.TAA18834@ladder01.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>Then using your Dates, I guess we should say CW Testing should end
>somewhere
between 2025 and 2028, I would have no Problem with that.

Of course not. You'll be dead by then. Typical selfish thinking. This is the same type of logic employed by today's retirees who refuse to give up even a small fraction of their Social Security benefits in order to keep the system solvent for the very people who are now paying for their retirement via increasingly-high payroll taxes on their earnings. "Hey, I've got mine, the hell with you."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1476. Re: Help! TS-820/VFO-820

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: wb6wcw@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115095500.EAA20461@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181546

James:

Suggest you check for brokern wires in the cable to the VFO.
Either unscrew the backshells andn give them a visual inspection, or use an ohm meter for continuity check..

Gud Luck

Bill WB6WCW@aol.com

1477. SCHEMATIC NEEDED

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kk5uu@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115100600.FAA23080@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181547

I NEED A SCHEMATIC FOR MY 12V POWER SUPPLY IT IS A VISTA MODEL XXX-RM
IT HAS DUAL METERS AND VARIABLE OUTPUT MINE BLEW UP
PLEASE EMAIL ME IF YOU CAN HELP ME OUT
(KK5UU DAN)

KK5UU@AOL.COM

1478. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69l0t7$a8i$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181548

In article <34BD6EBB.812AC4D9@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:

>Mike, you wouldn't know a fact, if it bit you in the arse.
>I say it is mainly a passtime for oldsters, and so it is. I
>have my logbook to prove it: Age hr is 105, fought in WW1,
>73 QSL sure" ... lotta qsos like that, old fellow.

Lawyers should know better than to quote anecdotal evidence as
statistical "proof".

But then again, lawyers are known for twisting facts into lies.

Maybe if you took your radio outside the rest home and hooked up an
antenna you'd actually find some other people to work.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1479. ALINCO DJ 180 PROBLEM >> Pleasee HELP Urgent.!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ar77mj
Message-ID: <69ktrh$ksj@sdrn.zippo.com>
Source record: 181549
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have obtained Alinco DJ 180 HT which is unfortunately blocked in some way
The only thing that can be seen on the DISPLAY is: Ch and the number of the
channel, the standard RESET procedure doesn't help.!! so i do presume
that some JUMPER wire is soldered inside.!!!

If someone knows What and where to CUT please POST.!! or e-mail
at vr100@rosey.com

THANX

1480. WORK AT HOME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: ceduuwii70@mpx.COM.AU
Message-ID: <199801153992MAA40776@post.sanet.com.br>
Source record: 181550
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

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1481. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: mrcoach58@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115132900.IAA21976@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181551

HELLO I JUST WANT TO SAY TO YOU BY FAR YOU MAKE THE MOST SENSE AND REALLY ENJOYED YOUR COMMENTS. MY NAME IS JOHN N2HT IM THE GUY THAT WROTE THE FIRST ARTICLE THAT STARTED THIS MESS HA HA.I WISH MORE PEOPLE HAD YOUR COMMON SENSE HAPPY NEW YEAR JOHN EMAIL N2HT@JUNO.COM

1482. Alinco Mod.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Andre Antunes <andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt>
Message-ID: <69l3lf$flb@news.EUnet.pt>
Source record: 181552
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,uk.radio.amateur

Hello everyone,
I have a Alinco DR-150. On the full power mode, it can only deliver 40
watts.
Does anyone know how to get more power of this equipment?
Thanks to all.

--
Andre Antunes
andre.antunes@mail.eunet.pt

1483. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115132700.IAA22395@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181553

In article <69jr22$is6$4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>Re-testing will never materialize without a fight and the ARRL putting the
>proper "spin" on the issue, should it even become an NPR. The ARRL stands to
>lose a lot more in the way of "memberships" and, more importantly, power.

Can't believe it, but we actually agree on this one :-) As for the ARRL losing power, well...every cloud has a silver lining. Membership dollars to Oldington are dropping like a rock; I doubt they could afford to lose much more.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1484. Re: The herpes of NG's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115132800.IAA22441@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181554

In article <69jnm7phr1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>, "blueis"
<blueis@sprintmail.com> writes:

>They are the herpes of newsgroups --- nothing fatal, but a source of
constant
>irritation.

Good one, Gary :-) And thanks for not including me in that group. Although I can (and do) become quite opinionated sometimes, I try to make logical arguments and engage in constructive debate (well...most of the time :-), rather than just simply flaming for the sake of agitation.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1485. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115132800.IAA22479@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181555

In article <69jr94$is6$5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>On 1998/01/14 cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)

>>Not when we're talking about
>publicly-owned frequencies and
>>government-issued
>>licenses.
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>
>Spoken
>like a true anarchist of the airwaves.
>
>
>How so, Tommy? How does
>advocating removal of an outdated and irrelevant
>requirement of licensing
>make me an "anarchist?"
>
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna
>hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Considering your past glorification of freebanders,
>I'd say the title fits.
I would have thought you'd take it as a complement.

Again, you try to change the subject when called on the carpet for an inaccurate posty of yours. Stick to the question at hand, Tommy. Got it? Good? Okay now, let's try again:

>How so, Tommy? How does
>advocating removal of an outdated and irrelevant
>requirement of licensing
>make me an "anarchist?"

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1486. FT-900CAT POWER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: KB9MQX@EARTHLINK.NET
Message-ID: <884872613.1533542403@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181556

ANYBODY WHO KNOWS HOW TO INCREASE THE POWER IN MY FT-900
PLEASE E-MAIL ME THANKS.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1487. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115140201.JAA01081@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181557

In article <69jqln$is6$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>In article <19980114131200.IAA17525@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com
>
says...
>
>In article <69hht8$hmr@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>,
>kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim
>Kehler) writes:
>
>>Frank, you must be new here.
>CBDumbo (AKA 'Spew' Durigan,
>>KF4DDM,
>(mnmaniac@aol.com)) suffers from a
>very bad case of ticket envy.
>>He's been
>pestering people here for years,
>he just disappears now and then
>>when he can't
>take the heat, and then
>reappears with another identity a few
>>months later.
>
>
>Been listening
>to/parroting your buddy Tommy again...eh, Jimmy?
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol
>CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

How about settling things once
>and for all...convince us that we're wrong
in our assumptions.

Gee, do I have to repeat EVERYTHING for you, Tommy? Once again (and my apologies for the redundancy here to everyone else), our system of justice provides that a defendent is INNOCENT until proven GUILTY. The burden of proof is on YOU to PROVE that I am who you say I am. Not the other way around. So far, you have failed to do that. When I bring this to your attention, you respond by changing the subject, making unsubstantiated assumptions, or similar nonsense. Care to try again?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1488. Re: Amateur Radio Clip Art

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <8aXebCA98hv0EwG9@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 181558

In article <34BC99E0.73E6@qni.com>, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com> writes
>Ham radio clip art for your web pages and publishing
>needs can be found at Zed Zed's Clip Art.
>
>http://surf.to/ham.radio
>
>73
>KG0ZZ
I get a blank page using this URL
--
Don Ward G0MDO

1489. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884876042.1691811841@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181559

Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

> The Morse requirement is about as relevant to qualifications for HF
> access as is the color of one's skin to one's ability to play golf ...
> you code bigots have exercised your own form of discrimination that
> is as arbitrary and unjustifiable as racism for decades in order to
> exclude those "who are not white enough" (those who don't beep to your
> satisfaction) from your "country club" on HF.

Carl, Carl, Carl....

If you are going to try to debate with me, you should first determine
my position is on the issue you wish to debate. You have assumed
that I favor Morse testing, and by some extension of that assumption
you conclude that I am a bigot.

Your assumption, and the insulting conclusion you reach, are not
supported by facts.

73, Hans, K0HB

PS: I didn't lose any election. You really *are* out of touch!

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1490. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BE25CA.F9D@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

helmsman wrote: more people are using CW today than ever before.
> >
> >Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there
> >were wall-to-wall CW signals. Now there is an average of two or three.
> Could be true but Jan is the worst month for PM propagation
> and the number of sun spots are few.

To say nothing of all the foreign AM broadcast now ihabiting that
range--BAD! And now the Novice segment is 50 kc lower.
Dick W0EX

1491. Re: REPEATER CONTROLLER out of a PC??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: urolab@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <69l8vm$rat@sjx-ixn5.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181561
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Whatever you do...be sure to have at least a backup hardware fail-safe
timeout timer like a 555 or whatever in case of a computer lockup.

WB4DTC

In <69jvv5$23i$1@techsrv1.tech> jrerlewe@mtu.edu (Joseph) writes:
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>
>Anyone have any info on how to make a repeater controller out of say
an
>old 286?? you use the sound card (s blaster) and .voc files for the
ID,
>and batch / some other programming to do the timing and PTT/COR
>and message selection on the parallel ports....
>
>anyone have any info/software on stuff like this???
>thanks,
>Joe
>--
>Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ.
>Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
>email: n8ouz@usa.net
>WWW: http://radiolink.net/n8ouz

1492. Re: The so-called "Liberty Net" on 3950Khz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <69la4n$9fn@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181562

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>Doesn't work that way, Tommy. In this country, an individual is innocent until
>proven guilty.

>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I think in your case Spew that should be IGNORANT until proven guilty.....

73, Jim KH2D

1493. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115152900.KAA19135@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181563

The bottom line is that there are no longer enough "pure" hams (as Michael puts it) who are into amateur radio specifically for the technical aspects. There are no longer enough of these types active on the bands to justify retention of the current (large) amount of spectrum space that is allocated to the amateur radio service. So, as Congress begins to bow down to their campaign coffers and look for spectrum to reallocate, amateurs have two options:

1) Invite newcomers, lessen and then drop the Morse requiremen (immediately to 5WPM or less for all classes of license, then remove when the ITU allows), and try like hell to get as many fresh voices on-the-air as possible. Then attempt to organize these newcomers politically and use their newfound strength to lobby for retention of the current allocations.

or

2) Keep discouraging newcomers, keep the code, watch the numbers of licensees continue to stagnate or drop (except for the no-code Tech class), and face the inevitable political reality of having more and more taken away from the amateur service by a Congre$$ who is only too willing to do so.

Those are the two choices. Which one do you prefer?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1494. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BE35E8.568F@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181564
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Gerald Schmitt wrote:
> You know Dick the pro-code-test crowd keeps beating this memorization
> nonsense into the ground. Most people, non technical included, find it
> easier to just learn the material.
>
> My wife recently got her ticket and starting off she had question pools
> flash cards etc. and after a day or so she came to me and said, "I'm
> not going to memorize all this, teach me what it means." So we entered
> a learning phase and she went on to perfect scores on all the written
> tests she took. Her comment after testing, "I don't see why or how
> anyone could memorize all those questions." Naturally there are things
> you have to memorize like band edges and rules but it much easier just
> to memorize the information rather than a large number of questions.
>
> Now I realize that this is not a statistical sample but I did find it
> interesting that a totally non technical person prefered to learn the
> material rather than memorize hundreds of questions.
>

You're right, it's not a statistical sample, and I'd be extremely doubtful if your wife would withstand any serious technical challenge of her knowledge.

This is beginning to get seriously repetitous, but in the 8 years that I served as a VE administering tests, I found extremely few applicants who had, starting from scratch, gained any serious amount of real technical knowledge from studying for the tests, such that they were able to even converse intelligently on the subjects over which they had just been tested. Certainly they were rarely able to apply much of their learning to their stations. Those applicants who had prior technical knowledge are a different matter.

For beginning hams, this is normal, no one starts anything with experience, that is gained through continuing study, learning by doing, and work toward advancment. Our hobby is loaded with people who have never cracked a book, nor touched a key after passing their tests. So many newcomers just buy a radio/HT and from then on it's all talk. I gather that you consider this to be "OK", after all the test has been passed, what else should anyone expect, right?

Dick W0EX

1495. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <69ld5o$2d@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181565
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

On Wed, 14 Jan 1998 18:04:13 -0500, "mike" <mike@endor.com> posted:

>You dont even dare to use your name. ...

Yes, he has in the past ... check it out ... some folks just don't care to be spammed to death by e-mail .... =0)

> ... Can't people just enjoy CW....
>If you don't want to learn it just don't. Nobody really cares weather you
>use CW or not so quit your bitching and don't do it.

Good idea ... let's drop the Morse code TEST then, and everybody (except the pcTgob who justify their licenses' existence solely through beeping ability) will be happy .... =0)

>
>Cutie Boy wrote in message <34bd0628.2057503@news.total.net>...
>> I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
>>use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
>>people instead of plug 'n play calculator.
>>
>>Abacus features:
>>
>> - Requires practise to use it
>> - Old mode. More than 1000 years old.
>> - Very slow.
>> - Inaccurate
>> - Can be used during the Emergency because it doesn't use any
>>batteries (so what ?)
>>
>>
>> If you really force school kids to learn Abacus, you must be
>>really silly. (don't take me wrong. I know abacus and I
>>sometimes use its method when I calculate something in my head.
>>I always complain something after I try it... I have a qualification
>>that qualifies 10 9-11 x 25 digits +/- calculations within 10
>>minutes, 20 6-7 & 6-7 x or / calculations within 10 minutes and
>>more...)
>>
>>
>>This is very similar to CW/No-CW debate. CW requires practise, old
>>mode, relatively very slow, inaccurate and "could" be (?) used during
>>the emergency... but if you really think CW is heaven and does
>>everything, you are deadend.

>>
>>Be a pro-abacus and many don't care.
>>Be a pro-CW and many don't care.
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>>_____
>>Visit this excellent site
>>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>>http://www.nocode.org
>>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>>
>>Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
>>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>>&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
>>Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
>>Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
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1496. ALINCO DJ180 Problem!!!! Please Help.!!URGENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: ffdd232
Message-ID: <69l9oh$p5e@sdrn.zippo.com>
Source record: 181566

Please help me with the following problem:

I have come into possesion of HT Alinco DJ180, but the problem is that
the only thing that is shown on the display is: Ch and the number of the channel
i tried to RESET it but apparently no effect.!!

I guess that someone has Jumpered something inside radio thus preventing
outside modification.! ?

Please help if you know WHAt and WHERE to CUT

Thanx.

mail me at vr100@rosey.com

1497. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34be3630.190702831@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181567
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Wed, 07 Jan 1998 14:21:13 -0600, "C.A.S." <aaaadeletethis@topher.net> wrote:
>I've never seen a regulated HV power supply in a microwave
>oven, just a step up transformer and a half wave rectifier.
>
> Andy in Dallas w4oah

Have you ever seen a regulated plate supply in *any* vacuum tube amplifier? The maggie usually acts as the second half of a voltage doubler circuit. The doubler capacitor acts as a smoothing filter for the 120 Hz AC. There may be some residual "hum" on the FM signal, but that's easily filtered out at the receiver.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1498. "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jiann-Ming Su <js290@prism.gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <34BE4968.7960@prism.gatech.edu>
Source record: 181568
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250 mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these ranges. I am trying to learn something and also create my ï¿½master planï¿½ :) for equipment purchases where I can concentrate my limited resources. , anyway, you get the idea...

I currently use 2m and some 440 for my around town communications. My parents live on a farm in the North Georgia mountains and I love to experiment with communication systems in that environment. My experience so far says that 440 is basically useless (one mile and a few bends in the road and 440 is unreadable but 2m is 5-9+) 2m gives reasonable propagation, but even then we sometimes have trouble getting 8 miles as the crow flies simplex with 100w, a 7db antenna about 60ft up, but in other directions we can communication 100 miles under the right conditions. So the location is not the best, but that just gives more challenges! I also use the crossband repeat mode when I go hiking 440-2m but once again 440 has at most a one mile range HT to mobile. So it is not very useful for anything more than a walk in a city park, but the wilderness areas up there are quite large! I have also experimented with 2m and 440 in large buildings, ie a mall and the World Congress Center in Atlanta. Even there (where I thought 440 would show itï¿½s stuff) the 440 would unreadable but 2m had a 5-5 signal.
Conclusion: 440 simplex is useful for only very limited distances and 2m has several times the range.

With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?
10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G
Does 220 have characteristics like 440 or 2m (unfortunately I donï¿½t think there are any 220 dual band HTs) Would 220 be a better band if I want longer distance and in a mountainous area?
What about 6m or 10m FM? If I wanted to crossband when I hike, back to my car and then out on 2m, would 6m give me a reasonable range or even 10m FM? (I have been very unimpressed by CB performance though, I donï¿½t know if it was the band or the mode)
What about mobile to base SSB? I have tried different bands on HF (with a very suspect antenna contraption on my car) but even with 100w the performance wasnï¿½t much better than CB and 2m FM was 100 times better (there were some kinks, i.e. polarization and a home-brew mobile antenna)

Conclusion:
1. I would like to hear from people who use bands other than 2m and

440, who can comment and contrast their performance to those bands, especially in mountainous areas. using both mobile, HT or a combination. There must be some good reason why you put up or use a repeater other than 2m or 440!
2. Also some idea from people who are in similar situations and what kind of system they use.
3. People who can give some tip on SSB HF for ï¿½localï¿½ communications and ï¿½near angleï¿½ or ï¿½vertical angleï¿½ (I think) propagation modes. (they need to be as ï¿½localï¿½ <500 miles as possible, when I was in Ecuador I was always irritated by the US hams (especially on 80m) who would ragchew with someone across town for hours about their new 500w amp they were using and they were 5-9+30 overseas and totally oblivious)
3. I would be nice to not just have anecdotal stories, but halfway designed experiments or some theory or just pointing me to some sources, books, or places to post, because obviously the land mobile and police have done such studies.
4. Suggestions on antenna designs. vertical, horizontal, or cross polarization, endfed compared to centerfed stacked dipoles. I am generally more interested in area coverage compared to point to point, and working simplex or hitting a repeater mobile than hitting a repeater from home.

Sorry for the long post, but hopefully this will start up a good discussion.
you may reply to
lent@isye.gatech.edu
if you want to write more in depth or hear a more detailed version of my experiements.

73, Eddie KS4TY, HC1EYB

1499. Re: Amateur Radio Clip Art

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: janet11@nospam.ibm.net
Message-ID: <34be40ad.13022568@rtpnews.raleigh.ibm.com>
Source record: 181569

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 14:37:49 +0000, Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
wrote:

>In article <34BC99E0.73E6@qni.com>, Paul Tadlock <kg0zz@qni.com> writes
>>Ham radio clip art for your web pages and publishing
>>needs can be found at Zed Zed's Clip Art.
>>
>>http://surf.to/ham.radio
>>
>>73
>>KG0ZZ
>I get a blank page using this URL

I got it, but it took forever to load. I have to admit I was hoping
for more, but a few things were good.

Janet - WB9ZPH

1500. Re: 6 meters and Hawaii

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Booth <booth@pactitle.com>
Message-ID: <34BE4370.DAF2E02A@pactitle.com>
Source record: 181570

kb8jlv@worldnet.att.net wrote:

> Anyone listening towards us here in Hawaii? I listen for the Upper 48 a
> good bit and call CQ also. Or is the distance just to great between the
> west coast and Hawaii? Stan/KB8JLV/KH6

What freq you listen on?? 50.125? or 50.110?

I call CQ on 50.125 to the West and S/West just about every night around
10:00pdt

73....
Dave Booth KC6WFS

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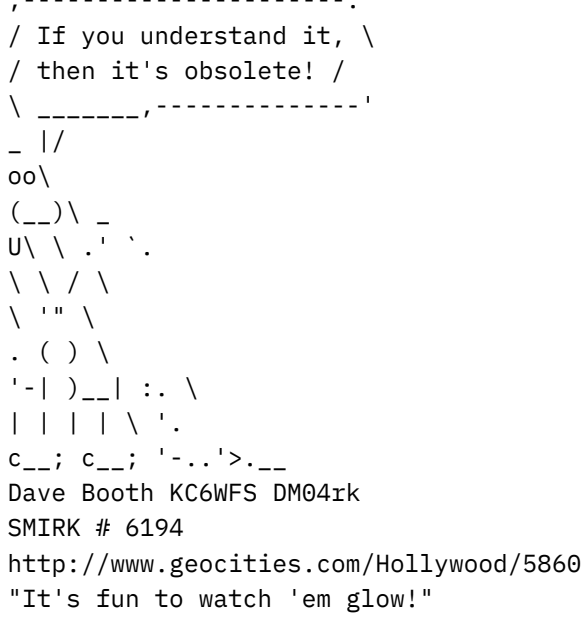

Dave Booth KC6WFS DM04rk
SMIRK # 6194
http://www.geocities.com/Hollywood/5860
"It's fun to watch 'em glow!"

1501. How uses KW5Q's SBFFTv1,2 filter program ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Message-ID: <34be3fe0.2410348@news.interbusiness.it>
Source record: 181571

Hallo to you,
I would like to know what kind of sound blaster are you using with
>SUCCESS< with the KW5Q's SBFFT v1,2 DSP filter program.
I have tried 5 (five): 2 Creative 16, 1 OPTI 931, 1 Audio Excel, 1
Avance Logic 100.
Only one of the 2 Creative SB16s works with some reluctances only
under win95, the others are practically muted or no load at all the
sbfft v1,2 program.

I would appreciate any good comment or idea.
Of course I have tried almost all irq\dma combinations.

Best 73 es gl de Fil IC8POF , LOCATOR JN70CN.

Buon divertimento e saluti da Filippo
fpetagna@mbox.caprinet.it
Insula Capri
Mare_Nostrum

Remove :" -key* " to send e-mail

1502. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BE475F.364CC438@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181572

CBRambo wrote:

> I wasn't aware that a callsign was required in order to use a computer,
> access
> the Internet, or post a message on USENET. When was that law enacted?

I will talk real slow and with little words so you will understand it.

If you notice just about all of the users to this group use either their name and or call on their posts. They are not hiding behind mommy's skirts like you do. They are at least willing to stand by what they say and be identified as a real person. You on the other hand can only be taken for what you have presented yourself as. A faceless and gutless wanna be who can talk tough with the keyboard but does not have the balls to back up your dribble with the identity of a real person. In other words a typical internet troll who really does not have a life outside of your computer screen.

I don't believe you have ever passed a cw test. Just another tall tale from a wanna be who wants mommy to buy him a ham license rather than work for one.

>
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

In the trailer park using mommy's computer and aol account

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

He tries but nobody can understand the mumbling coming from behind his mommy's skirts.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1503. gate 4 vanity calls

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: mdowning@rdatasys.com
Message-ID: <884882438.1980563461@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181573

There were more gate 4 vanity calls issued yesterday. I count
at least 500 issued or updated.

Check http://www.wm7d.net/fcc/callsign.html
or http://www.wm7d.net/fcc/call_report3.html

--------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1504. Re: FreeBand (FB) Radio Includes 12, 11, & 10 meters now.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34BE4B0C.651CECDC@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181574

W4pqw HS wrote:

> Roger, you bring up some good pointsabout the conduct on the ham bands and
> the
> policing of the bands..FCC has taken a "hands off" approach to most of
> theham
> related problems,ARRL has been sued or threatened suit for advising someone
> of
> their infractions, if you as an individual reprimand someone, thats just
> what
> most of them want, a hassle..probably what we need to do is get a serious
> movement going in the radio clubs and other organized groups to have a
> trained
> and knowledgeable committee to work on this at the local level. What do you
>
> think? Harold W4PQW

It should start at the local level for sure. I think most clubs already have a mechanism to handle some of these problems. The trouble begins when the offender just ignores or tells the club to bug off. What can be done then? Not much. If the offender is on a repeater the control station can take down the computer when he uses it. Local hams can refuse to talk with him. Enough complaints to the FCC may finally get them to take action but by the time that happens months may have passed.

HF is even harder. The offender does not have to worry about being ignored by the locals as long as he or she can find a similar buddy somewhere else to talk to. I don't think there are really that many bad ops. They just get all of the attention. Heck maybe the solution is to buy them all computers and internet accounts. Then they will find it is much easier and more responsive to troll the news groups and it does not take half the effort.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1505. Re: 146.52 and monitoring

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Johnson <mark.johnson@symbios.com>
Message-ID: <34BE693A.43BC@symbios.com>
Source record: 181575

Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I] wrote:

> I've made lots of simplex 2m QSOs while on long trips, and
> have frequently been called (and vice versa) by other hams
> as we passed each other.
>
> A friend of mine has a nice cardboard placard which goes in
> the back window during trips, which simply says
>
> 146.52 446.00

I've been known to beep '52' in Morse on the car horn when passing or being passed by an appropriately-antennaed car, particularly one with callsign plates. On at least one occasion, we ended up eating supper with another ham-family at a rest area -- both of us were carrying sandwiches and needed a break anyway.

The other method of getting attention in this situation is to display five fingers followed by two fingers; I've done that and gotten a response on the radio when traffic was heavy enough I didn't want to use the horn.

WB9QLR

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1506. Re: 2M Pager?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Robert Lyons <boblyons@umich.edu>
Message-ID: <34BE53E2.6D12@umich.edu>
Source record: 181576
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

William Huckaba wrote:
>
> I once saw (about a year ago) an article somewhere on the usenet about
> re-crystaling a pager (like motorola classic), and some software to turn a
> regular pager into one that works on the 2M (via a packet radio).
>
> I was wondering if anyone knew anything about this... if so please write me at
>
> todkapuz@flash.net
>
> Thanks!
>
> -William KC5QYO

Check your local newsstand this month for an electronics mag (can't remember which one - Pop Electronics?) that shows how to build a POCSAG encoder. You hook up their simple circuit to your computer and your transciever (must be capable of the required baud rate) and can receive the POCSAG on a modified pager. They also cite two companies who are willing to sell pagers without paging contracts and will recrystal the pager to the frequency of your choice. The article lists some radio models that are capable of sending POCSAG, and while I didn't recognize the model numbers, at least one was an Icom, so I suspect it to be a ham-band transciever.

73 de Bob, KI8AB

(P.S. - there was a POCSAG decoder in the same mag in March '97, apparently)

1507. Re: FT-900CAT POWER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34BE5544.18F47025@shore.net>
Source record: 181577

KB9MQX@EARTHLINK.NET wrote:
>
> ANYBODY WHO KNOWS HOW TO INCREASE THE POWER IN MY FT-900
> PLEASE E-MAIL ME THANKS.

If you increased the power by 6db to 400 watts it would roughly be a 1
"S" unit difference at the other end.

1. You can't do it.
2. Study physics.
3. Buy an amplifier.
4. Nuff sed.

1508. Re: GE Master 2 HELP PLEASE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Stadtherr <bstadtherr@tcsn.net>
Message-ID: <34BE56D8.6708@tcsn.net>
Source record: 181578
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap

Well, OK... here we go

1 DC CONV CONT
2 MIC LO
3 RX MUTE
4 MIC HI
5 SPARE
6 CG DISABLE
7 SPARE
8 F1
9 F2
10 F3
11 F4
12 F5
13 F6
14 F7
15 F8
16 CAS
17 SQ ARM
18 VOL/SQ LO
19 VOL ARM
20 VOL/SQ HI
21 CONTROL A-
22 RX PA
23 SQ DISABLE
24** IGN SWITCH
25 PTT
26 BLKR DISABLE
27 SPKR LO
28 SPKR HI
29** A+
30** A-
31 F9
32 F10
33 SPARE
34 SPARE
35 F11
36 F12
37 SPARE
38 SPARE
39 TX A+
40 TX A-

Have a blast,
Bob KI6WO

1509. IL hamfest/computerfest calendar

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: parnass@bell-labs.com
Message-ID: <69lkom$4i5@ssbunews.ih.lucent.com>
Source record: 181579
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,sci.electronics.repair,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

HAMFEST/COMPUTERFEST CALENDAR 1998 - NORTHERN ILLINOIS
last updated January 14, 1998 |

o Please report additions or changes to Bob Parnass, AJ9S, office phone: (630)979-5414, electronic mail: parnass@bell-labs.com. Thanks to Dennis Dale, Rick D. Wilson, and ARRL for providing some of the information.

JANUARY 1998

Jan 11 (Sun), Waukesha, WI - 25th Annual Midwinter Swapfest. Waukesha County EXPO Center, Waukesha, WI. West Allis Radio Amateur Club (WARAC) 8:00 AM $3.00/$4.00. Amateur Exams. Ham Radio. Computer. Electronics. For Information Contact WARAC Swapfest, PO Box 1072, Milwaukee, WI, 53201 or Phil Gural, W9NAW, S67 W12944 Larkspur Rd., Muskego, WI 53150-3435. tel (414)425-3649.

Jan 25 (Sun) - Villa Park, IL - Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs Mid Winter Hamfest - '97 at the Odeum Exposition Center 1033 N. Villa Ave., Villa Park, IL. Admission $6. Doors open at 08:00 till 14:00 . Lucent employee ticket sales: Jack Feldman and John Broughton. Info: Donald Motz, N9NYX, PO Box QSL, Wheaton, IL 60189. tel. 630-665-7757. | E-mail: donlin@xnet.com (Shortage of nearby parking. Held | inside and is usually crowded. - AJ9S)

FEBRUARY 1998

Feb 15 (Sun), Rock Island, IL - Davenport ARC. QCCA Expo Center, 2621-4th Ave., Rock Island. 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Talk in 146.88 and 146.64 MHz. info: Kent Williams, K9UQI, 4245 10th St., East Moline, IL 61244-4154. tel. 309-796-0718. Fax: 309-796-0629. E-mail: k9uqi@arcsupport.com. http://www.arcsupport.com/drac

MARCH 1998

Mar 8 (Sun) - Waukesha, WI. SEWFARS Swapfest. Info: Mary J. Adams, KB9IFF, tel. 414-358-1003. E-mail: mjadams@execpc.com.

March 15 (Sun): Sterling-Rock Falls ARS, Sterling, IL info: Lloyd Sherman, KB9APW, PO Box 521, Sterling, IL 61081-0521. tel. 815-336-2434, E-mail: lsherman@essexl.com

March 22 (Sun): Grayslake, IL - LAMARS hamfest, Lake County fairgrounds. All indoors. Admission $5 at gate, free parking. Setup at 6 AM, doors open at 8 AM. Info: Dave Gudewicz, KB9KDA, 5 Brigantine Lane, Grayslake, IL 60030. tel. 847-223-1088. (Small fest, but usually interesting - AJ9S.)

APRIL 1998

April 5 (Sun): Madison, WI. Madison Area Repeater Association. Info: Jeremy Charles, N9VHT, PO Box 8890, Madison, WI 53708-8890. tel. 608-245-8890. http://www.cs.wisc.edu/~jeremyc/mara/swapfest/

MAY 1998

May 2 (Sat), Cedarburg, WI - Ozaukee Radio Club Swapfest, For Information Contact O.R.C. Swapfest Committee, W58 N985 Essex Dr, Cedarburg, WI 53012-1439 or call Gabe at 414-377-2784 between 6:00 and 8:00 PM.

May 15 - 17 (Fri - Sun), Dayton, OH - Dayton HamVention |

JUNE 1998 |

Jun 7 (Sun), Princeton, IL - Starved Rock RC. info: Debbie | Burton, N9DRU, 1153 Union St., Marseilles, IL 61341. tel. | 815-795-2201 (Usually an excellent hamfest. Unlimited space | outdoor flea market, some indoor space, though few big name | commercial vendors. Crude restroom facilities. - AJ9S)

Jun 14 (Sun), Wheaton, IL - Six Meter Club of Chicago. | info: Joseph Gutwein, WA9RIJ, 7109 Blackburn Ave., Downers | Grove, IL 60516-3925. tel. 630-963-4922 |

JULY 1998

Jul 12 (Sun), Peotone, IL. Kankakee Area Radio Society. | Will County fairgrounds. info: Don Kerouac, K9NR, 6311 East | Flora St., Kankakee, IL 60901. tel. 815-939-7548, E-mail: | k9nr@juno.com.

Jul 19 (Sun), Sugar Grove, IL. Fox River Radio League. | Waubonsee Community College. For tables, tickets, and | information: contact N9UZC James E. Von Olnhausen, | n9uzc@amsat.org, (630)-879-3042, FRRL, Box 673, Batavia, IL | 60510-0673. (good, small to midsized hamfest. Modern rest- | room facilities. - AJ9S) |

AUGUST 1998

Aug 2 (Sun), Peotone, IL. Hamfesters Radio Club. Will | County fairgrounds. info: Dave Brasel, NF9N, 6933 West | 110th St., Worth, IL 60482. tel. 708-448-0580 (Usually an | excellent hamfest - AJ9S). |

Aug 23 (Sun), Woodstock, IL. Tri-County Radio Group. |
McHenry County fairgrounds. info: Bob Grosse, N9KXG, PO Box |
3107, Skokie, IL 60077-6107 tel. 708-944-0500. E-mail: |
tcrg@hotmail.com, http://quality-enterprises.com/tcrg/ |
(fairly good, small to mid sized hamfest - AJ9S). |

SEPTEMBER 1998

Sep 19, 20 (Sat & Sun), Peoria, IL. Peoria Area ARC. info: |
Jim Williams, N9HHU, Box 3508, Peoria, IL 61612-3508. tel. |
309-692-3378. Fax: 309-698-8643. E-mail: |
jimeoc@worldnet.att.net, http://www.w9uvi.org |

Sept 26, 27 (Sat & Sun), Grayslake, IL Chicago FM Club. |
Lake County fairgrounds. info: Mike Brost, WA9FTS, 5127 |
North Monterey Ave., Norridge, IL 60656-3245. tel. |
708-457-0966 (the biggest and best hamfest in northern IL - |
AJ9S) |

OCTOBER 1998

NOVEMBER 1998

NOTES - Computer Central and Giant Computer shows

Computer Central computer shows are held at the College of
DuPage, Main Arena of the Physical Education Building Park
Blvd & College Road, Glen Ellyn, Il. 708-940-7547. $5
admission with card, normal admission $6.00. Opens 9:30 am
- 3:00 pm.

Giant Computer shows are usually held at the Orland Park
Civic Center, 147th St. & LaGrange Rd., Orland Park, IL or
at the DuPage County Fairgrounds, County Farm & Manchester
Rds., Wheaton, IL. Admission is $6. Show hours are 9:30 AM
- 3 PM. To get on the mailing list or get more information,
call (708)974-3123. See http://www.gicancomputershow.com

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1510. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <69lor3$43e@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 181580
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34BE35E8.568F@scan.missouri.org>,
Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> This is beginning to get seriously repetitous, but in the 8 years
>that I served as a VE administering tests, I found extremely few
>applicants who had, starting from scratch, gained any serious amount of
>real technical knowledge from studying for the tests, such that they
>were able to even converse intelligently on the subjects over which they
>had just been tested.

Hummmm, sounds exactly like a fresh college graduate. I think the
experience one gains in operating, and building a station provides most
of what we as amateurs value as useful knowlege. We can then converse
in terms of our own experience. You should know this Dick. You expect
too much from "book learnin'".

> For beginning hams, this is normal, no one starts anything with
>experience, that is gained through continuing study, learning by doing,
>and work toward advancment. Our hobby is loaded with people who have
>never cracked a book, nor touched a key after passing their tests. So
>many newcomers just buy a radio/HT and from then on it's all talk. I
>gather that you consider this to be "OK", after all the test has been
>passed, what else should anyone expect, right?
>
>Dick W0EX

1511. SWAP: GMRS transceivers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34BE6B85.142F@asu.edu>
Source record: 181581
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have a pair of Radio Shack PRS-101 GMRS transceivers for trade. The radio are hardly used. They are ten channel, switchable 0.9 and 2 watts, complete with battery chargers for each. Jack for speaker mic or headset. New, they were $179.00 each. I would like to trade them for either:

1) a 9600 baud TNC or
2) a Yaesu VX-1R or
3) a Ranger 2950 or
4) a 6M mobile, especially interested in the Yaesu FT-690 or
5) an Index Labs QRP+ transceiver

If you have one of the above items and are interested in a trade, please contact me via e-mail. Thanks.

--Will White

1512. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181582

The bottom line is that there are no longer enough "pure" hams (as Michael puts it) who are into amateur radio specifically for the technical aspects. There are no longer enough of these types active on the bands to justify retention of the current (large) amount of spectrum space that is allocated to the amateur radio service. So, as Congress begins to bow down to their campaign coffers and look for spectrum to reallocate, amateurs have two options:

1) Invite newcomers, lessen and then drop the Morse requiremen (immediately to 5WPM or less for all classes of license, then remove when the ITU allows), and try like hell to get as many fresh voices on-the-air as possible. Then attempt to organize these newcomers politically and use their newfound strength to lobby for retention of the current allocations.

or

2) Keep discouraging newcomers, keep the code, watch the numbers of licensees continue to stagnate or drop (except for the no-code Tech class), and face the inevitable political reality of having more and more taken away from the amateur service by a Congre$$ who is only too willing to do so.

Those are the two choices. Which one do you prefer?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1513. Re: libraries (was Re: ANTENNA LENGTH)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Madjid BOUKRI <mboukri@cam.org>
Message-ID: <34BE60CC.939F696F@cam.org>
Source record: 181583
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Cutie Boy wrote:
> Garï¿½on Mignon (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

Et mï¿½me pas foutu d'ï¿½crire du Franï¿½ais correct en plus.

Madjid BOUKRI, VE2GMI - http://www.CAM.ORG/~mboukri
NEC4WIN & NEC4WIN95 Antenna Simulation Software

1514. Re: Abacus and Calculator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-15 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BE660F.1303@ibm.net>
Source record: 181584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner

mega@no-spam.mjk.com wrote:
>
> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
> > I am sure Pro-CWers suggest school kids to learn abacus and
> >use this old obselete "mode" which requires a lot of effort for some
> >people instead of plug 'n play calculator.
>
> You honestly and truely don't get it, do you?
>
> --mjk--

Ha ha ha, great post! He gets it. Plug-and-play 'calculators',
plug-and-play rice box radios with plug-and play no-tune solid state
amps, using plug-and-play antennas.

73

KR4AJ

1515. 6 meter rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: sciguy8000@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116152001.KAA26473@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181385

Know anyone wanting to sell a 6 meter rig??

I need a used 6 meter rig for ssb and cw
in working condition,
but have a tight budget right now

please let me know by
email sciguy8000@aol.com

Thanks guys and
73
WyGGR
Midvale, Utah

1516. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BF6FB4.748CA84C@ibm.net>
Source record: 181386

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
> Hi Roger - So you're implying working people are busier today than
> yesteryear? I guess these days must have more hours in 'em, for my
> dad put in 12-15 hour days for many many years building his business
> decades ago. One wonders how working hams of yesteryear could find
> the time to learn the code, yet today's working hams can't...
>
> Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

The difference is relevance, Jeff. Most people, including
busy working adults, and young people who are working to
keep their GPAs up, are willing to find the time to learn a
useful licensing requirement. However, Morse Code flunks
this test. It is not useful for anything except
recreation. Few hams join the hobby because they want to
use Morse Code. Morse is a passtime largely of elderly
hams; hardly an attraction in this age of the internet.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

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Grandfather...
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From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BF700A.1CE6C532@ibm.net>
Source record: 181387

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> But then again, lawyers are known for twisting facts into lies.
>
> Maybe if you took your radio outside the rest home and hooked up an
> antenna you'd actually find some other people to work.
>

Did over a dozen QSOs last weekend, Mikey. SSB and digital.

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1518. Crystal Holder Information

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: abcd@goldfish.com
Message-ID: <34bf5fd4.9253253@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 181388
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Can anyone help me with some additional XTAL HOLDER information.

Take a look at what I have so far:

http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/ham/xtalhold.htm

Take a look.

This will give everyone information about crystal sizes for SOME mid-era rocks. What I need to add is data on the OLDER ones like CR-1/A, FT-171 etc.

What about any overseas designations too? We could add them also!

Also, I need some of the newer ones like HC-33/U and HC-49/U etc. etc. Can you help???

Bry, AF4K

1519. Help? With Technical Manual for GE PE/PY Model FM Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116154001.KAA28480@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181389

Hi all,

I have access to several GE Master Progress Line PE/PY Model 2-way FM radios. Where can I get a hold of the technical manual. I would like to convert these radios for a local repeater. Any help would greatly appreciated. Your suggestions and comments are always welcomed.

Thanks and ' 73
-Jeremy
KF4RTY

1520. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <884965023.1164640260@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181390

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:

> Last I knew, you were an ARRL Vice-Director ... since you were
> not *MY* Vice-Director, I felt fortunate.

I also felt fortunate, and for the same reason.

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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"We're in the middle of a flame war because he refuses to
acknowledge my technical superiority and his simian ancestry."
-- Dilbert
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----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1521. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Big_Daddie <big_daddie@*bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <FPLv.193$CK1.646837@news2.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181391
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

A cheap solution...??
You're getting a harmonic of the 46mhz cordless band. I have the same problem with my motorola cordless and my 2 mtr rigs. My cordless give me a choice of channels with a button push. That solved <moved> my problem. Maybe your neighbor's phone is able to change channels the same way.

bd

K.Klevesahl wrote in message <34BB4AAD.4CF3@spnt.com>...
>Cutie Boy wrote:
>>
>> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>>
>> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>> using it ?
<snip>

1522. Re: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Motreff St&#65533;phane <smotreff@FranceNet.fr>
Message-ID: <34BFE315.46C5@FranceNet.fr>
Source record: 181392

Hi from France
I'm searching informations about users club in companies which make
business to business.
Thanks to answer me

1523. COAX 100 FT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <69o3ot$jbn@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181393

FOR SALE: ANDREWS COAX CABLE SOLD BY THE FT
FSJ4-50B SUPERFLEX 1/2 IN HARDLINE
50 OHM 25 FT MIN ORDER
85 CENTS PER FT PLUS SHIP CHG

500 FT ROLLS AVAIL. $450.00 EA

1524. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BF7689.640A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Mark VandeWettering wrote:

RC> Our hobby is loaded with people who have
> >never cracked a book, nor touched a key after passing their tests. So
> >many newcomers just buy a radio/HT and from then on it's all talk. I
> >gather that you consider this to be "OK", after all the test has been
> >passed, what else should anyone expect, right?
>
> Many of the people you mention have stylish vanity callsigns too.
>

Yes,---as of late last year, *ALL* ham radio licensees are eligible for
a vanity callsign. You too. $50 and it's yours.

Dick W0EX

1525. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34bf9435.280321974@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 12:37:44 -0500, Jiann-Ming Su <js290@prism.gatech.edu> wrote:
>I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local
>communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250
>mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance
>characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these
>ranges. I am trying to learn something and also create my &#65533;master plan&#65533;
>:) for equipment purchases where I can concentrate my limited
>resources. , anyway, you get the idea...
>
>I currently use 2m and some 440 for my around town communications. My
>parents live on a farm in the North Georgia mountains and I love to
>experiment with communication systems in that environment. My
>experience so far says that 440 is basically useless (one mile and a few
>bends in the road and 440 is unreadable but 2m is 5-9+) 2m gives
>reasonable propagation, but even then we sometimes have trouble getting
>8 miles as the crow flies simplex with 100w, a 7db antenna about 60ft
>up, but in other directions we can communication 100 miles under the
>right conditions. So the location is not the best, but that just gives
>more challenges! I also use the crossband repeat mode when I go hiking
>440-2m but once again 440 has at most a one mile range HT to mobile. So
>it is not very useful for anything more than a walk in a city park, but
>the wilderness areas up there are quite large! I have also experimented
>with 2m and 440 in large buildings, ie a mall and the World Congress
>Center in Atlanta. Even there (where I thought 440 would show it&#65533;s
>stuff) the 440 would unreadable but 2m had a 5-5 signal.
>Conclusion: 440 simplex is useful for only very limited distances and
>2m has several times the range.

Try it using antennas of the same *physical* size on the two bands.
You may then be surprised to find out that 70cm will work better than
2m in most situations. The difference in path loss between the two
bands is almost completely due to the difference in effective aperture
of antennas of the same *electrical* size used on the two bands.

In other words, if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on
each band, it should come as no surprise that the three times
smaller 70cm antenna will capture less signal power. But if you
use antennas of the same physical size on each band, the "path
loss" for the two will also be the same.

The reason for this is that the signal spreads out in a spherical
wavefront from the transmission point. At a given distance, there
will be a certain signal strength in volts per meter. For the same
transmit ERP, this will be the same on 2m and on 70cm. But if

your antenna is only a third as many meters long, it will capture
only a third as many volts. That's why the "path loss" is different
for the two bands. It really has nothing to do with attenuation
through the transmission medium, it is just geometry at work.

(Note that there are differences in the attenuation of various
transmission mediums, IE trees, walls, etc, at the various
frequencies too, but that is typically a minor effect compared
to the difference in antenna aperture.)

>With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?
>10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G

The *physically* bigger the antenna, the less "path loss" it will have.
So if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on each of these
bands, 10m will be best and 1.2 GHz will be the worst. If you use
antennas of the same physical size on each band, however, 1.2 GHz
will be best and 10m worst. (That's because the electrically larger
1.2 GHz *transmit* antenna will put more ERP toward the horizon.
Couple that with the now equal aperture of the receive antennas,
and the higher frequency works better.)

>What about mobile to base SSB? I have tried different bands on HF (with
>a very suspect antenna contraption on my car) but even with 100w the
>performance wasn't much better than CB and 2m FM was 100 times better
>(there were some kinks, i.e. polarization and a home-brew mobile
>antenna)

SSB will work better than FM in strict inverse ratio of their respective
occupied bandwidths when signals are below the FM threshold. When
signals are above the FM threshold, FM quieting will make it superior.
The FM threshold for most modern equipment is in the neighborhood
of 0.5 microvolts delivered to the receiver front end. So when both
signals are weak and noisy, SSB will do better, but once you pass
the FM threshold, the FM signal will have the advantage.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1526. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: 633 <UNSPAM@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <69o57m$nek@examiner.concentric.net>
Source record: 181396

Answer 3: Haven't Any Manners

CBRambo wrote in message <19980116141901.JAA11310@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>Question: what does "HAM" stand for?
>
>
>Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods
>
>Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
>
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1527. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Joseph M. Jones" <jjones76@primary.net>
Message-ID: <34BF9468.39631D69@primary.net>
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> answer for the question of "maintaining standards" will have to be found
> before there could be hope for resolution on this issue.
>
> These notions of work ethic, earning a license, devotion to the

> hobby/service, must eventually be dispelled and give way to discussions of
> requisite and relevant operator qualifications. Morse could continue to
> be a part of that discussion. But our emphasis in testing that mode should
> ultimately fall into place along side the other equally important modes we
> use.
>
> Until then, I guess we'll just continue to hear about how hard some of us
> worked for our license back in the old days, and how lazy and whiney
> everybody else is. Keep it coming guys, it's really impressive to listen
> to - and oh....very persuasive as well!
>
> 73,
>
> AC6XG

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

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From: "Joseph M. Jones" <jjones76@primary.net>
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> requisite and relevant operator qualifications. Morse could continue to
> be a part of that discussion. But our emphasis in testing that mode should
> ultimately fall into place along side the other equally important modes we
> use.
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> Until then, I guess we'll just continue to hear about how hard some of us
> worked for our license back in the old days, and how lazy and whiney
> everybody else is. Keep it coming guys, it's really impressive to listen
> to - and oh....very persuasive as well!
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> 73,
>
> AC6XG

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

1529. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Joseph M. Jones" <jjones76@primary.net>
Message-ID: <34BF94F6.5592AA03@primary.net>
Source record: 181399
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

First let me appolagize for butting in on a discussion that I probalby have no bussiness getting in to.
I myself have yet to get my licence, but one day I hope to get it(when I get the time to study for it).

from what I've read of this discussion, it seems to me that the consern here as J Kelley said is
that it's not that people want to maintain the standard requirements to get in so much as it's
the standards of conduct. so wouldn't it be more appropreate to makee stricter policy on conduct.
that way the goals of the amateur service are maintained, and it will still filter out the "CB riff raff"
that you don't want.

once again, I appolagize for intruding(and for any spelling mistakes I made)

Hope to be able to talk to some of you on the air one of these days

Joseph M. Jones
jjones76@primary.net
prospective amateur operator

James W. KELLEY wrote:

> In article <69dd7p$jco@jupiter.planet.net>,
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:
> >
> >This is absolute rubbish. It has no basis in fact at all and
> >you should know that. IF CW acted as such a filter then
> >we'd expect to find the riff raff of CB types (not a description
> >I agree with by the way) on VHF and the simple fact is
> >that we find no more or less bad apples on VHF (the nocode
> >techs) then we do on HF where code is required.
>
> >There has been absolutely no statistical support for any
> >assertion that code filters out while the theory test
> >doesn't.
>
> I entirely agree. It appears the debate, although centered on the Morse
> issue, is really about who we should keep out of amateur radio. Although
> there are some among the pro-code group who are sincere in their views
> about the merits of code, I think most defend the code requirement simply
> because they fear the unruly hoardes which might be unleashed onto their

> bands. The thing that none of them would admit is that they are not so
> much pro-CW as they are anti-CB. They aren't as much pro-code as they are
> anti no-code. They use their "virtue of code" arguments as camoflage for
> their deep-seated resentments of those with views and values which differ
> from theirs.
>
> Who we should keep out, or rather how many we should keep out - perhaps
> that's the issue. The more people we keep out, the more "special" we are -
> the more exclusive the club, as it were. Those who show the greatest
> concern, I feel, hold this "exclusivity" in highest regard - higher even
> than code itself.
>
> It is their fear that motivates them to defend the code tests against all
> reason - fear of losing.....something. What else besides fear - fear of
> the unknown perhaps - could explain the ferocity with which they maintain
> their claims about the necessity for a radio operator to manually modulate
> and demodulate the encrypted message on a carrier. Yes, CW is a unique
> feature of the amateur service - one which will naturally persist until
> the point when, if ever, it becomes completely unsatisfactory to use by
> everyone under every circumstance. Personally, I would mourn the loss -
> just like I mourned the loss of our national treasure Jimmy Stewart. That
> loss was of course inevitable.
>
> The code group argues against something which nobody here has proposed or
> would wish to achieve: to make getting licenses easier for it's own sake,
> and to let the un-ruly take over the bands. And they do this using the
> guise of upholding standards and defending the practicality and efficiency
> of Morse.
>
> There is no "need" to make licenses any easier to obtain. There is
> likewise no need to make it more difficult than necessary. (After all,
> not everyone aspires to be like us!) The best thing you can say about the
> code requirement as a filter is that it sorta keeps potential LIDS out -
> kinda - as well as other folks. But all of the exams do this - with
> similar efficacy.
>
> It's probably true at this point that 1A "filters" out a greater number
> of people than does element 3A. On the other hand, elements 3b and 4
> probably "filter" out more than element 1B. This should argue for a shift
> in that direction - toward more comprehensive written exams, and away from
> code exams.
>
> All it should really take to appease the loyal opposition is a proposal to
> change the exam structure in such a way as to maintain the current
> efficacy for "LID filtering" as a replacement for the code test. That
> efficacy is not significant, but it is also not negligible. A suitable
> answer for the question of "maintaining standards" will have to be found
> before there could be hope for resolution on this issue.
>
> These notions of work ethic, earning a license, devotion to the

> hobby/service, must eventually be dispelled and give way to discussions of
> requisite and relevant operator qualifications. Morse could continue to
> be a part of that discussion. But our emphasis in testing that mode should
> ultimately fall into place along side the other equally important modes we
> use.
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> Until then, I guess we'll just continue to hear about how hard some of us
> worked for our license back in the old days, and how lazy and whiney
> everybody else is. Keep it coming guys, it's really impressive to listen
> to - and oh....very persuasive as well!
>
> 73,
>
> AC6XG

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1530. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69o62l$d4o$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181400

In article <19980116141901.JAA20357@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>And it has. If not for the creation of the no-code license, you would have
>lost a great deal of your VHF/UHF spectrum allocation by now? Want proof? The
>stubborn refusal of the ARRL...the so-called "voice of amateur radio"...to
>embrace ANY sort of no-code license in the mid 80s was directly responsible
>for the loss of 40% of your 220Mhz band in the late 80s.

There is no evidence to support the assertion that the League's
stance on code testing in any way influenced the direction of the FCC
in awarding 220mhz to UPS.

Even if ham radio had 2 or 3 times the number of hams it had back in the
late 80's (which would put the numbers at roughly where they are today, give
or take several thousand), there is no reason to believe that the outcome
would be any different.

Hams have this over-inflated value of their self-worth. The equation is
really simple: money talks. IF UPS wanted our frequencies, they would
have them, even if it cost a couple million more in "campaign contributions"
to grease the right palms to place pressure on FCC officials.

That's it, in a nutshell. Period. Concoct all the conspiracy theories and
doomsday scenarios you want; none of them are remotely valid, although they
make interesting fiction.

>How about you show us a breakdown of this, by license class. You will find
>what I say to be true; amateur radio is stagnant in all classes of license
>except for the no-code Technician class.

Once again, you're talking out of your backside.

I gave you the URL. Go visit the site and see for yourself. Your claim is
demonstrably false.

http://www.speroni.com/FCC has a complete breakdown, monthly, of all
license classes. The number of licensees in ALL classes has shown a
progressive INCREASE every year.

Despite the Chicken Littles of the world, Amateur Radio continues to be a
healthy, thriving hobby.

I guess you'll have to find another demon to exorcise, because your "code test"
demon turned out to be a charlatan.

MD
--

-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1531. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net
Message-ID: <69o8phcdh1@news.ptialaska.net>
Source record: 181401

take it out to back yard, wrap in multiple layers of aluminum foil, dig hole 4 feet deep, put wrapped radio in hole, replace dirt on top of radio.

There you have just protected your radio from EMP. Definitly 100% protection.

The survivalist whacko's always but two of every electronic device so they can use one and bury the other, for use after the big one and they return to the surface to rebuild our great civilization.

Bruce AL7AQ

1532. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34BFBC60.303F@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181402

You forgot one:

Have Already Mastered (Code)

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

CBRambo wrote:
>
> Question: what does "HAM" stand for?
>
> Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods
>
> Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1533. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34BFBB36.7298@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181403
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:
>
> >AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
> >TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
> >THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..
>
> I learned code in a day. I took the test on the same day and passed
> it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
> Listen to some HFs. You will see it.
>

Ok Cootie Boy .. but everyone is not as smart as you, or is it as big a
liar ?

Cirtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1534. Need Schematic for Kenwood TM741

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: nospam.ralph.w.bierbaum@medtronic.com
Message-ID: <34BFD18D.E6D@medtronic.com>
Source record: 181404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I need a schematic for a Kenwood TM741. Will copy/return and pay for shipping or will pay for copying and shipping. Please reply to bier949@skypoint.com or remove nospam from this address.

Thanks

de N0AWN

1535. Re: Icom PCR1000 info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Crocker <billc@rust.net>
Message-ID: <69omkt$mp0$1@news7.ispnews.com>
Source record: 181405

Stefano:

It's a super radio, IMHO. My buddy also has one and like it a lot!

Bill Crocker

Stefano Merendino wrote in message <01bd20d8$bf6c1c00$9a9b14c2@user>...
>I'm probably going to buy the new icom scanner IC-PCR1000!
>
>Did anyone test it?
>How is it?
>Is it better than the IC-R10?
>
>Thanks!
>
>Merendin@usa.net
>

1536. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BFDE5B.5C23@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181406
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 18:38:34 -0600, Richard Carroll
> <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
>
> > Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
> >are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.
>
> Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
> preferred over no calculators whatever.
>
> If you think this abacus statement is bull****, your CW statement is
> also ****.

So you think abacus training equates to morse code training. My, MY.
You go ahead and learn the abacus and your 2meter HT, I'll take the
morse code on HF. If you lose your abacus (or your calculator), you can
always guess. I'll use my brain, with a pencil and paper to work
problems and makes notes if needed, since I was trained as a child to do
basic math.
Meanwhile I can still communicate and handle traffic over long and
short distances using morse code, while you're talking to yourself when
the ice storm removes power and destroys antennas on your local 2meter
repeater. (Of course I may do it the easy and use HF SSB, if that's
what's in use). You're still talking to yourself. Lotsa luck.

(He doesn't seem to know that the abacus was invented and used when
pencil and paper were unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely.
It was much easier to keep tallies on an abacus than to etch them on
stone or clay tablets, then throw them away afterward.)

Dick W0EX

"The winners laugh and tell funny stories, while the losers glower and
say "Shut up and deal!)

1537. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34BFDF86.5712@geocities.com>
Source record: 181407
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Curtis M LaFon wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:
> >
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> > >THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..
> >
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> > it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
> > Listen to some HFs. You will see it.
> >
> ---------------------------------------------
>
> Ok Cootie Boy .. but everyone is not as smart as you, or is it as big a
> liar ?
>
> Cirtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
or Some of us simply have very different physical and Mental Gifts
73 Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ
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1538. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34BFDF97.301A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181408
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:
>
> >AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
> >TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
> >THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..
>
> I learned code in a day. I took the test on the same day and passed
> it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
> Listen to some HFs. You will see it.

Cutie Pie, you just told on yourself. Anyone who thinks any level of
code can be mastered in a day hasn't a clue.

1539. Re: FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: bb840@scn.org
Message-ID: <EMw5vu.Hq9@scn.org>
Source record: 181409

In a previous article, glennmiller@worldnet.att.net ("Glenn") says:

>> I need to update my address info with the FCC. Can I do this via the net?
>If so,
>>please tell me the exact URL.
>
>You may only renew an expiring amateur radio license online with the FCC.
>All other license actions require submission of an FCC Form 610 (dated
>September 1997 only) to Gettysburg via USPS.
>
>Glenn/AA5PK
>
I believe only the January 1998 FCC Form 610 is acceptable now. It has
space to indicate compliance with the RF safety limits.
--
Jim Aeschliman bb840@scn.org
Black Diamond, Washington KD7MK

1540. Re: FCC Form 610 update(s)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69opkn$prp@mtinsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181410

> I believe only the January 1998 FCC Form 610 is acceptable now. It has
> space to indicate compliance with the RF safety limits.
> --
> Jim Aeschliman bb840@scn.org
> Black Diamond, Washington KD7MK

The only FCC Form 610 acceptable after January 1, 1998 is the one dated
September 1997--that is the latest version of the 610.

Glenn, AA5PK

1541. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kajun <kajun01@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34bff1d1.0@news1.ibm.net>
Source record: 181411

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <69m323$b6p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
> Spew Durigan <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>
>
>"continue" implies an action which is already or is currently happening.
>The number of new hams, in ALL license classes (http://www.speroni.com/FCC)
>have *increased* continuously every year. 30K new hams last year, in all
>license categories!
>
>Sorry, but the "number of licensees" is not dropping or stagnating. Only
>in your dreams.
>
>
>MD
>--
Mike this simply is not true, I went to the FCC site you mentioned earlier
and noticed the number of "Novice" licenses has steadily declined for the
past five years. You mentioned the site, look for yourself!!
KD5CWY

1542. FS: Icom R1 Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Newcomb <premier@adi-radio.com>
Message-ID: <884994279.1574371335@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181412
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

FOR SALE:

Icom IC-R1 Receiver w/800 MHz already opened! This is one of the last of the cellular legal receivers, manufactured before the ban on cellular reception! Includes charger and internal battery. Unit is in new condition. I am asking $375 plus shipping. If interested please e-mail <premier@adi-radio.com>.

Jim Newcomb, N7MBA

----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
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1543. FS: Icom IC-281H -- Two-Meter Mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Newcomb <premier@adi-radio.com>
Message-ID: <884994755.1623064578@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181413
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

FOR SALE:

Icom IC-281H Two Meter Mobile with extended VHF AND UHF receive and CTCSS encode built-in. Unit is already modified for MARS/CAP and public service use. Includes DTMF mic and power cord. I am asking $225 plus shipping. If interested please e-mail <premier@adi-radio.com>.

Jim Newcomb, N7MBA

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1544. FS: Optoelectronics "Scout" model 40

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Newcomb <premier@adi-radio.com>
Message-ID: <884994469.1566507022@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181414
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

FOR SALE:

OPTO Scout model 40. Works great with an IC-R10 or similar receiver. I
am asking $350 plus shipping. If interested please e-mail
<premier@adi-radio.com>.

Jim Newcomb, N7MBA

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1545. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69orj3$48v@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181415

> Amateur radio is about bringing people in (expansion), not
> keeping people out.

I just checked S97.1 again - doesn't say anything about expansion.

1546. Re: Wanted:*****TICKLISH GUYS******

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34C0138E.5415@asu.edu>
Source record: 181416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Well, I have some old SSTV frames of my uncle being "tickled" by a 25A power supply. Does that count?

1547. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Burch <Libertybell7@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C017FF.2E9DC6D9@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181417

DANO wrote:

> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abrieviations
> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well i asked what "ham" was. one guy said it
> was a cut from a pig.
> well, that made me think about the comparison between "hams" and pigs.
> pigs as a whole are very lovable. they only require lots of food, a cool
> place to relax, and plenty of attention when other animals are around. in
> fact if a pig see's that he is not the center of attention, he will start
> making loud & annoying noises.
> a week ago, i went to a ham club meeting with a "ham" that is helping me
> with my code practice. there was lots of food with plenty of club members
> gathered around filling their plates. As a matter of fact, the table was so
> crowded, i had to force my way in to get a drink.
> After everyone cleaned the tables off, the talking started. well the guy
> at the podium did the least of the chatter, with everyone talking over him
> to make their point. it dint take long for the noise to get loud and
> annoying.
> OH YEA, one more point. the heat wasn't working too good, so everyone
> was complaining about the cold. chock one up for the "hams".

Hi,

I think that during the early space program that the first monkey sent into space was named "HAM" it meant "High Altitude Monkey". 73's Mike k8MB

1548. Re: NO CODE vs CODE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Burch <Libertybell7@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C015CB.6E22EE0D@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181418

M Johnson wrote:

> CBRambo wrote:
>
> > The words of a bitter old man and a card-carrying "code at any cost to the
> > hobby" member of the ARRL.
> >
> > "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
> The words of a cry-baby wannabe troll who just does not have what it takes
> to be a ham. Stick with CB and get off of mommy's computer little boy.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

Hi fella's,

In my opinion morse code is pretty much useless except that its tradition adds depth and character to amateur radio as a whole. It lets us touch the old ways and to master it is an accomplishment that can be felt to the soul. Americans are leaning way to far to immediate gratification in my opinion and morse code puts on the brakes just a bit. If you want full privileges in your heart you will sit down every night after work or school and keep trying until you master it! Good luck to all of you... Mike Burch K8MB (Got extra class at age 17) so you can do it also.

1549. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34C02404.F96@asu.edu>
Source record: 181419

Roger, W6VZV wrote:
>
>
> 3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
> proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
> antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1

This seems to make sense until you look at licensing figures. There are more licensed now than ever before. It is more likely that *increasing* numbers have led to the proliferation of covenants, if there is any correlation at all. Such restrictions are in fact general not directed at hams exclusively, but at a variety of "nuisances," creative landscaping, treehouses, washlines, etc.

--Will White

1550. Just a story..... (This is a long post)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <69pd34$18j$1@newsfep2.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 181420

As a radio operator in Viet Nam we sometimes worked under what could be referred to as "harsh conditions". Our antennas were frequently brought down by incoming mortar or artillery fire. Electricity was a luxury provided only by generator or, in the case of the man-portable (?) HF SSB unit, by 74 (count 'em!) flashlight batteries. We were always looking for ways to improve commo. Hell, we were sometimes satisfied just to maintain marginal commo!

We had voice nets on HF and, if the camps were close enough, on VHF FM. Of course, we also had HF CW net. Some of the things we learned:
a) Since antennas get knocked down, why not put them IN the ground. We used BURIED antennas for backup commo.
b) Since the amplifier class of operation determines the efficiency of the final amplifier, in an emergency you want the most power out for the least power input -- consistent with maintaining communications. Ask yourself this question: If you had to operate on a very limited power source (e.g. battery) for an undetermined length of time, would you want a lower efficiency plate amplifier -- such as Class AB? Or would Class C be better?
c) When atmospheric attenuation degraded the VHF FM voice signal such that it was unusable, good ol' GI ingenuity prevailed. We would key the FM mic holding it next to the KWM-2A speaker and generate CW using the sidetone on KWM-2A. Even though a voice signal was unintelligible, the CW could always be copied.
d) When the s*** hit the fan, we always tried to use our fastest CW operators -- for obvious reasons. At times our CW net ran at 30-35 WPM. At this speed we found that, even if we missed every fifth letter (lightning crash, signal fade, etc.), we could still decode the text. In this sense the CW was very tolerant. In fact at this speed we learned tricks like NOT copying the letter 'e'. We copied all CW traffic by hand. At 30 WPM the letter 'e' was simply too short to allow time to write it down.
e) If you communicate with the same people via CW long enough, you will know who is transmitting just by the sound of their code! Our traffic nets seldom used callsigns -- much to the chagrin of ASA. Didn't need 'em!
Code, we found, is just another language -- like French, German, Swahili. As a language, you develop an accent.... and you do so in code. The mistake most people make in learning code is to learn 'B' as a dash followed by three dots. Believe this and you will probably never get past the 13 WPM barrier. Here's an analogy -- If you are in a theater and someone stands up and shouts:
F (the letter 'F')
I (the letter 'I')
R (the letter 'R')
E (the letter 'E')
What would your reaction be? Probably not much. However, if someone stands

up and shouts 'FIRE', what would you do? It is therefore the composite *sound* of this dash and three dots that makes the letter 'B'. When our 'new guys' arrived in-country, we tried to explain this perspective on code. If people having trouble with code understood this, perhaps it would help them.

Many new hams do not realize that ham radio was granted (and keeps!) frequencies for two underlying reasons:
a) To develop a pool of trained radio operators for periods of emergency.
b) To encourage experimentation and development in the field of radio communications.
It is imprudent to throw away/do away with *any* resource that *could* be beneficial in an emergency. Unless you have actually operated under truly emergency conditions, you have no basis to make statements regarding the ability to 'punch through' and communicate. Lacking this experience you are merely mouthing the opinions of someone else unqualified to judge. I refer to this act as 'the unknowing leading the dumb'.

I will concede that there are probably some CW'ers that would like to disallow voice communications. But that would be as self-serving as doing away with CW. CW is a requirement of this class of service. Privileges are based, in part, on one's proficiency with that mode. All are free to join... and are welcomed! (Many of us have conducted code classes to assist others get their license.) BUT... If one does not subscribe to the tenants of this group, then freedom allows that individual to select another group. To do otherwise is simply another case of the "Have-not's" bitching about the "Have's".

Perhaps we all should move to Quebec..... We could start a movement to do away with French! I can't learn it... I don't want to take the time to learn it... English is more universally spoken.... Therefore, French is simply no longer needed. After all, just because they have been speaking French for years is no justification for requiring it. Isn't that a *cute* idea?

In view of todays digital everything our actions then must be viewed as practicing witchcraft. But because of my experiences, no one will ever convince me that there will never, ever be another need for CW. I hope that we as individuals or collectively as a country will never be in a situation where marginal commo is all we have. For if that is the case, there will be a high demand for burned-out Morse operators. Besides.... CW *was* the first digital signal. [A1 through on/off keying]

To the 'no-coders' I say: "Welcome to ham radio". I will not require you to grow a beard. Nor will I ask you to change your religion. I will respect your preferences.... so long as you respect the preferences of others. YOU have asked to join a community whose principles, privileges, traditions and values were earned and established by those who preceded you. Should you not espouse these values, then you have mistakenly joined the wrong group.

Gary B
K3GB

1551. Re: COAX 100 FT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <tpn6draNOSPAM@mitec.net>
Message-ID: <34C02DA7.5199D9E6@mitec.net>
Source record: 181421

DavidC wrote:

> Where are you located? The shipping could be a killer on a
> long piece!
> :-) DavidC
>
> Anthony D. Schneider <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net> wrote
> in article
> <69o3ot$jbn@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> > FOR SALE: ANDREWS COAX CABLE SOLD BY THE FT
> > FSJ4-50B SUPERFLEX 1/2 IN HARDLINE
> > 50 OHM 25 FT MIN ORDER
> > 85 CENTS PER FT PLUS SHIP CHG
> >
> > 500 FT ROLLS AVAIL. $450.00 EA
> >
> >Loss will be the killer on a long piece! Compare to regular
> 1/2" Heliax when you evaluate the Superflex, it has quite a
> bit more loss. We use it a lot for transmitter combining, etc
> @ 450 & 800 MHz, but never for antenna runs...

Tim

>

1552. JAVASCRIPT BEAM HEADING CALCULATOR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Harv Nelson <hnelson@facstaff.wisc.edu>
Message-ID: <34C042D5.C2B75B69@facstaff.wisc.edu>
Source record: 181422

JAVASCRIPT BEAM HEADING CALCULATOR
http://www.mailbag.com/users/hanelson/beamhead.htm

Hi Gang!

I've just posted a project I've been working on for the last few days in an effort to learn something about JavaScript-ing. I'd appreciate all critical appraisals, suggestions, and additions. Please give it a try. The database currently holds about 900 DX entries.

It seems to work fine with Netscape 4.04. I've not been able to test it with other browsers.

Please be sure "Java" AND "JavaScript" are ENABLEd in your browser

http://www.mailbag.com/users/hanelson/beamhead.htm

Thanks a bunch

Harv/KG9GA

1553. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R1601982128310001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 181423

In article <69pb66$43a@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>,
bohnovic@worldnet.att.net (John Bohnovic) wrote:

>Why should it cost any more than a regular call? A renewal is a
>renewal. I thought the $50.00 fee was to cover the costs incurred from
>additional work brought on by the vanity program.
>
>Are they treating vanity callsign renewals like like the state of
>Florida treats vanity license plates? Each time you renew you have to
>pay an additional fee.

Yup. Vanity "surcharge" at every 10 year renewal point.

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

1554. New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: bobw@techsun.cs.usu.edu
Message-ID: <MUA1gT4+nIpD@cc.usu.edu>
Source record: 181424

Did anyone notice the TV Guide crossword puzzle for the Jan. 17-23
magazine?

One of the questions (1 down as I recall) asked for 'Ham Radio Operator'
and the 4 letter answer was 'CBER'.

I am impressed with the editorial literacy of the Crossword puzzle group!

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1555. Re: Wanted: TICKLISH GUYS - Diversity Perversity?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2216$0e3ac780$cb8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 181462
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space

Is this sick person back again? :-(Can't some of this garbage be
automatically be filtered out of the newsgroups? DavidC

1556. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: markv@pixar.com
Message-ID: <69m894$at0$1@atlantis.pixar.com>
Source record: 181463
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34BE35E8.568F@scan.missouri.org>,
Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> For beginning hams, this is normal, no one starts anything with
>experience, that is gained through continuing study, learning by doing,
>and work toward advancment. Our hobby is loaded with people who have
>never cracked a book, nor touched a key after passing their tests. So
>many newcomers just buy a radio/HT and from then on it's all talk. I
>gather that you consider this to be "OK", after all the test has been
>passed, what else should anyone expect, right?

Many of the people you mention have stylish vanity callsigns too.

>Dick W0EX

Mark
--
Mark T. VandeWettering Telescope Information (and more)
Email: <markv@pixar.com> http://www.idle.com/~markv/

1557. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116012201.UAA00149@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181464

In article <19980115221800.RAA02021@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>I'm gonna address this post right back to the original poster. Andrew,
>I notice that you did not ask the other three questions that would have to
>be addressed before I would consider showing you the mod you are asking
>for:

1 how to reduce power to below 4 watts

The legal max output on AM CB
>is 4 watts. Your superior modulation and a good antenna/ground system will
>make your rig sound far more powerful tnan the guys with a stick stuck on
>thier pickup truck mirror. You definitely need to run modest power output.
>There are so many users of the CB bands that you will be sure to be
>interfeing with somebody when running a strong signal. Not only will drawing
>attention to you increase the risk of you getting caught, but you will be
>interfering with other stations that you cannot even hear, so the common
>courtesy of listening first before transmitting won't be sufficient. Reduce
>your power output to a watt or 2 first before asking for the
>frequency mod.

Why would you do that when the limit is 4 watts, not one or two? And besides, what difference does it make from a legal standpoint? This radio would not be legal for use on Citizens Band whether it was running 400 milliwatts or 400 kilowatts. Might as well crank 'er up if you're gonna use 'er!

2 Output filtering

The output filtering on your rig is
>optimized for the ham bands. You need to get yourself a nice PI network
>tuner to those harmonics off, and know somebody with a scope to check your

>output.

Okay. This makes sense.

3 Responsible operating.

I would have to see evidence that you are
>a skilled and responsible operator
> before turning you loose on CB with a rig
>capable of runnong 100 watts, tuning
out-of-band- split, and off- frequency.

"Turning you loose?" Gee, I didn't realize his operating procedures were your personal responsibility. He didn't and does not need to ask your permission in order to operate his radio.

>I would have to be convinced that you
are concerned enough about the quality
>of your signal to learn about spectral
purity and how to test your output
>with o-scope, spectrum analyzer, etc. I
would have to be convinced that you
>would never, for any reason, operate in a
discourteous manner or with poor
>technique.

Right. Just like the "real hams" on 75m, most of whom routinely run several kilowatts of illegal power with which to jam, antagonize, annoy, harass, and utter profanity unto their fellow amateurs.

I will give you a hint. If you study RF design for a few
>months, you might be
able to figure it out from your schematic. If you find
>it on your own, I guess
you will have earned the right. If not, it is
>irrelevant... nobody can stop
you from modifying your radio... only using it
>in an illegal manner.

You just made the point that it is NOT illegal for him to modify his radio...so just give him the freakin' mod and let's be done with all this foolishness.

Even with good operating practices, legal output, etc,
>you still can't legally
use your rig on CB mainly becaise it has the
>capability to tune off-frequency.

Oh, yes. Heaven forbid THAT should ever happen!

OK, so where does that leave us? Well,
>Andrew, you still have yourself a nice
ham rig there, and there is one thing
>you canuse it for legally besides just
SWLing.... working other hams using

>your own callsign issued by the FCC.

Did he ever say that he was interested in becoming a ham?

Getting licensed is not such a big
>deal. 6 year old kids have earned ham
tickets!

But he's not interested in becoming a ham.

>There are deaf hams, blind
>hams, paraplegic hams, hams with learning
disorders, all with one thing in
>common: an "I think I can" attitude.

But he's not interested in becoming a ham.

> All you
need to heat up a wire with
>that rig of yours is a Novice License. One simple
little written exam, a 5
>WPM morse exam, and that's it!

Again, he's not interested in becoming a ham. That's not what he asked about.

> The questions and
answers are published, wo
>you can test yourself before you take the exam. If
you can answer the
>questions on your own, you can do it at the exam session. 5
WPM code is also
>a no-brainer. Download SUPERMORSE 4.16 from my web
>page:

Why is it that you HAMBOS always assume that EVERYONE is just chomping at the
bit to become a ham operator? It's simply not the case.

(several more words of pro-ham, pro-code preaching deleted)

> Just
realize that for most new hams
>with HF priveleges, the biggest hurdle to
getting on the air is a rig, and
>you have one that most new hams would trade
their teeth for. Shame to just
>use it for bootlegging!

Actually, the "Texas Sugar 830" makes a very capable 11meter radio if it is
modified and operated correctly. I would highly recommend it over modified
CBs, "export" radios, and the Rangers/Emperors/2510s. Good choice of radio,
Andrew. Hopefully, someone will now quietly e-mail you the mod you're looking
for so you can begin enjoying your radio and utilizing it as you choose to.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1558. RF measurement tool definition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: rampelbergh.p@infoboard.be
Message-ID: <34c6bc3b.5156963@news.ib.be>
Source record: 181465

Who can give, or where can I find, an 'official' definition of:

What's a RF measurement tool (device, equipment, circuit, ..) and in
what aspect is it different from radio communication?

Additional question in the case its not different from radio
communication,

How do you explain the 'radio communication' aspect of a measurement
tool who can, for instance, be designed and used as a direct link
between the Unit Under Test (UUT) and the equipment?
I'm thinking for instance of a RF wave generator to align filters and
a oscilloscope to monitor signals.

When I push the reasoning a little more:
Is any signal communication circuit, like a gates whith a led
indication, a radio communication circuit?
It can display for instance validity of data and at such its a
measurement circuit (and if more elaborated, a tool).

Thanks on beforehand for your inputs. Best regards,

1559. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69mg9l$67m$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181466

In article <69m323$b6p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM says...
>
>In article <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
> Spew Durigan <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>
>>1) Invite newcomers, lessen and then drop the Morse requiremen (immediately
to
>>5WPM or less for all classes of license, then remove when the ITU allows),
and
>>try like hell to get as many fresh voices on-the-air as possible. Then
attempt
>>to organize these newcomers politically and use their newfound strength to
>>lobby for retention of the current allocations.
>
>I.... I.... I sense deja-vu. Am I reading a message from the mid-80's. I
>could swear this is an argument for the creation of the codeless tech
>license. Yes, yes, that's it... The no-code license. It is going to save
>amateur radio. And here is why... <insert above quoted text here>

Maybe you're thinking of Wayne Green. He's been yapping the same thing for
years. I think he's been zapping himself with his bioelectrifier a bit too
much.

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To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1560. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2228$68585ea0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181467

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<69jda8$8pi$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>
> Radio THEORY (knowledge of SSB, ATV, etc.) is something entirely different
> than knowledge of rules/regs/safety issues.

Agreed to a point ... rules/regs can ONLY be "memorized" ... "safety
issues" require at least some elementary knowledge of theory.

> Radio THEORY is completely unnecessary in today's predominently
> store-bought, appliance-operator world.

That is COMPLETELY absurd and anyone with a brain and the ability
to understand the basis and purpose of amateur radio as defined by
the ITU and FCC part 97.1 knows better.

Perhaps you should come back if/when you gain a rudimentary
understanding of what ham radio is about, Mikey. It's quite
obvious that you currently haven't a clue.

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Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1561. Re: Stevenson proposes "Rich Kids" Amateur Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2229$fe86e9e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181468

K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote in article <884876042.1691811841@dejanews.com>...
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> > The Morse requirement is about as relevant to qualifications for HF
> > access as is the color of one's skin to one's ability to play golf ...
> > you code bigots have exercised your own form of discrimination that
> > is as arbitrary and unjustifiable as racism for decades in order to
> > exclude those "who are not white enough" (those who don't beep to your
> > satisfaction) from your "country club" on HF.
>
> Carl, Carl, Carl....
>
> If you are going to try to debate with me, you should first determine
> my position is on the issue you wish to debate. You have assumed
> that I favor Morse testing, and by some extension of that assumption
> you conclude that I am a bigot.

As Cecil says, "If the Foo shits, wear it."

> Your assumption, and the insulting conclusion you reach, are not
> supported by facts.

Give us a break Hans ... once in a while you post something corny
but "sort of right-on" like the "Joe the last ham" piece, but 99%
of the time, you are pro-code/ARRL apologist through and through.

> 73, Hans, K0HB
>
> PS: I didn't lose any election. You really *are* out of touch!

P.S. Last I knew, you were an ARRL Vice-Director ... since you were
not *MY* Vice-Director, I felt fortunate. When you indicated that you
were no longer an ARRL official, I guessed that you had been defeated.
I never dreamed that you would have the decency to do ham radio the
favor of simply quitting. I trust I have made my feelings on this matter
abundantly clear.

P.P.S One more time ... please respond to my posts to you here on usenet
and STOP sending your stupid "courtesy copies" to my e-mail box ... I
get enough unwanted junk mail there already from the spammers and mass
mailing advertisers.

1562. Re: Cutie Boy Wrote

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: petermaus@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116032300.WAA19046@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181469

>> >Have you ever thought about thinking before engaging your tounge ?
>>
>> I don't have to think anything.
>
>Yep, that about says it all. And indeed, you are doing a wonderful job of
>it.

Now that's more in keeping with the spirit of camaradarie of the group: Credit where credit is due. Well done.

1563. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34d5d444.29535864@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181470
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"Mike Pender" <steam@megsinet.net> wrote:

>Get yourself a bandpass filter, since our two meter receivers are
>all built with front ends as wide as barn doors these days.

Evidently you're not familiar with the HTX-202.

>D.C. I. has an excellent one. AES carries it. This WILL cure your
>problem.

It'll filter out his trolls from UseNet? A killfile does that cheaper
and better.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1564. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34bfe90f.2627867@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181471

>
>>2) Keep discouraging newcomers, keep the code, watch the numbers of licensees
>>continue to stagnate or drop
>
>"continue" implies an action which is already or is currently happening.
>The number of new hams, in ALL license classes (http://www.speroni.com/FCC)
>have *increased* continuously every year. 30K new hams last year, in all
>license categories!
>
>Sorry, but the "number of licensees" is not dropping or stagnating. Only
>in your dreams.
>
>
NOT TRUE. The number of General and Advanced class hams has been
declining (total numbers in each class) over the past two years. The
'new' hams in those classes are not enough to replenish the numbers
who die or do not renew.

W4SCO
>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>-- with my guns.

1565. wanted Manual Yaesu FT-707 user & service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffke3uv@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116050300.AAA04777@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181472

Thanks for reading,

I just bought an Yaesu FT-707 at a ham fest. However, it came with no manuals.

If you have a copy of the user and or the sevice manual, and can help me, please
write me back. If you can scan the manuals, just E-mail them. I would be glad to

pay for copies and postage if you would mail them.

Thanks, Jeff KE3UV

PO BOX 14943
PHILA PA 14943

1566. Need mod for Icom IC-2710H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: plocke@mediaone.net
Message-ID: <69mpkn$98m1@baker.se.mediaone.net>
Source record: 181473

How do I mod the Icom IC-2710H to rx above 440Mhz?
Regards,
Paul,KB4PML
plocke@mediaone.net

1567. Dayton HamVention info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD4OVM <twright@u1.abs.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.96.980116030737.11084A-100000@u1.abs.net>
Source record: 181474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc

If you haven't received your Dayton Hamvention 1998 Pre-Show Brochure in the mail then you can get the details from the hamvention web site at:

http://www.hamvention.org

I hope to see you there

Tim KD4OVM

1568. Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <YRp0rAAjbxv0Ewjc@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 181475

In article <34BEE5B4.6756@hiwaay.net>, Ron Boyd <rdboyd@hiwaay.net>
writes
>Hello:
>
>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?
>
>73 de Ron
You should worry, it costs that every year in the UK!
--
Don Ward G0MDO

1569. Trying to contact W0PQZ

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: wmeara@erols.com
Message-ID: <34bf89a7.244543621@news.erols.com>
Source record: 181476

... Dick Lyons he's reportedly operating in Texas with a mobile rig
in an RV.
His sister needs to speak to him about some family business, No
emergency, but if anyone contacts him please ask him to call his
sister. Thanks, 73

1570. Incentive Licensing (was: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69mr74$lsh@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181477

K7RMJ <oak@texas.net> wrote:
>part of each band will be reserved for cw? Whew... I remember the
>debates and arguments over incentive licensing. People were whining
>about that one for years after it was done.

Hi Frank - Wow, you were around in 1923? Incentive licensing was first implemented at that time: Only those hams holding the Extra First Class amateur ticket (requirements: Licensed for two years, pass an exam similar to the commercial first-class test, copy 20wpm, have a clean record) were allowed to use the 200-220m band. All other licensees had to remain below 200m.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1571. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69ms43$mft@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181478

In article <34BC8C5D.ACDDEB74@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:
>
>Nope. But so what? Morse Code is strictly a recreational
>mode, mainly for elderly hams. No reason to require busy
>working people who have already passed their Morse test to

Hi Roger - So you're implying working people are busier today than
yesteryear? I guess these days must have more hours in 'em, for my
dad put in 12-15 hour days for many many years building his business
decades ago. One wonders how working hams of yesteryear could find
the time to learn the code, yet today's working hams can't...

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1572. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69mtjs$nk5@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181479

In article <34BC8FFF.C07044DB@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:
>God, that's exactly the theory that was behind incentive
>licensing, which practically killed off the hobby in short
>order. We never, never learn.

Second time tonight I've seen reference to incentive licensing. IL was
first tried in 1923 and was very successful. Too bad the hams of the
60s didn't react as well as their counterparts of the 20s. Rather than
looking forward and seeing IL as something good for future hams, they
whined and whined about losing small slivers of frequencies, that could
easily be regained by attaining a higher grade of license.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

P.S. Say Roger, please tell me how several thousand hams quitting
would result in practically killing the hobby? Even if every
ham losing frequencies had quit, the hobby would still exist.
Even if there was just one ham left in the US, the hobby would
still exist (and boy, would he be rare DX for other countries!).

1573. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34BF70F8.8F9CD01B@ibm.net>
Source record: 181480

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
> P.S. Say Roger, please tell me how several thousand hams quitting
> would result in practically killing the hobby? Even if every
> ham losing frequencies had quit, the hobby would still exist.
> Even if there was just one ham left in the US, the hobby would
> still exist (and boy, would he be rare DX for other countries!).

Easy, Jeff:

1. Typically, the hams who quit over issues like incentive licensing tend to be the active hams. The inactive ones don't know, don't care, etc. We saw this in Incentive Licensing, which ushered in two decades of stagnation and decline, rescued only by the no code Tech program.

2. Boy are you naive. Cut the number of hams below some threshold, and the government will run, not walk, to take away our bands.

3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1 (the burden of overturning such is on the ham, and it is an expensive burden, as I know from experience), and the deliberate policy of consumer electronics manufacturers to not shield their products, i.e. telephones, etc.

Hope this helped.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

1574. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116141901.JAA11310@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181481

Question: what does "HAM" stand for?

Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods

Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1575. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980116141901.JAA20357@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181482

In article <69m323$b6p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>In article <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
Spew Durigan
><cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>1) Invite newcomers, lessen and then drop the
>Morse requiremen (immediately to
>5WPM or less for all classes of license,
>then remove when the ITU allows), and
>try like hell to get as many fresh
>voices on-the-air as possible. Then attempt
>to organize these newcomers
>politically and use their newfound strength to
>lobby for retention of the
>current allocations.

I.... I.... I sense deja-vu. Am I reading a message
>from the mid-80's. I
could swear this is an argument for the creation of the
>codeless tech
license. Yes, yes, that's it... The no-code license. It is
>going to save
amateur radio. And here is why... <insert above quoted text
>here>

And it has. If not for the creation of the no-code license, you would have
lost a great deal of your VHF/UHF spectrum allocation by now? Want proof? The
stubborn refusal of the ARRL...the so-called "voice of amateur radio"...to
embrace ANY sort of no-code license in the mid 80s was directly responsible for
the loss of 40% of your 220Mhz band in the late 80s.

>2) Keep discouraging newcomers, keep the code, watch the numbers of
>licensees
>continue to stagnate or drop

"continue" implies an action which
>is already or is currently happening.
The number of new hams, in ALL license
>classes (http://www.speroni.com/FCC)
have *increased* continuously every
>year. 30K new hams last year, in all
license categories!

Sorry, but the
>"number of licensees" is not dropping or stagnating. Only
in your
>dreams.

How about you show us a breakdown of this, by license class. You will find what I say to be true; amateur radio is stagnant in all classes of license except for the no-code Technician class.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1576. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bf5bec.750167@news.total.net>
Source record: 181483
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 18:38:34 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
>are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.

Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
preferred over no calculators whatever.

If you think this abacus statement is bull****, your CW statement is
also ****.

_____
Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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1577. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-16 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bf5d1f.1057534@news.total.net>
Source record: 181484
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:

>AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
>TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
>THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..

I learned code in a day. I took the test on the same day and passed
it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
Listen to some HFs. You will see it.

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http://www.nocode.org
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
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1578. Re: Need Mod. for Kenwood TS 570D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: charlesdavis@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <69r8n5$4u5@mtinsc04.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181285
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

In article <69r4u9$3r2$3@news.icanect.net>, gaej@hotmail.com says...
> I'm Looking for TX Modification for Kenwood TS 570D, if you know how to do
> it, Please e-mail me at esparza@icanect.net
> TNX.

I have e-mailed you, but for anyone else, check
http://www.qrz.com.
They have a .txt file of my original. I have it in .DOC format, that
includes a picture of the board, and parts.
--
-=>Chas<=-
<>

1579. Re: Just a story..... (This is a long post)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69ra63$t8h@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181286

The story below, at some points, again makes the false
assumption that there is an effort to elimiante CW as a mode.
NOT TRUE. The nocode test effort is exactly that...an effort
to eliminate the code test. I will presume that if there is any
interest at all in those that profess to the use of CW being
important, then they will continue the use, practice and
recruitment of others to the CW mode.

"blueis" <blueis@sprintmail.com> wrote:
>As a radio operator in Viet Nam we sometimes worked under what could be
>referred to as "harsh conditions". Our antennas were frequently brought
>down by incoming mortar or artillery fire. Electricity was a luxury
>provided only by generator or, in the case of the man-portable (?) HF SSB
>unit, by 74 (count 'em!) flashlight batteries. We were always looking for
>ways to improve commo. Hell, we were sometimes satisfied just to maintain
>marginal commo!

>We had voice nets on HF and, if the camps were close enough, on VHF FM. Of
>course, we also had HF CW net. Some of the things we learned:
> a) Since antennas get knocked down, why not put them IN the ground. We
>used BURIED antennas for backup commo.
> b) Since the amplifier class of operation determines the efficiency of
>the final amplifier, in an emergency you want the most power out for the
>least power input -- consistent with maintaining communications. Ask
>yourself this question: If you had to operate on a very limited power source
>(e.g. battery) for an undetermined length of time, would you want a lower
>efficiency plate amplifier -- such as Class AB? Or would Class C be better?
> c) When atmospheric attenuation degraded the VHF FM voice signal such
>that it was unusable, good ol' GI ingenuity prevailed. We would key the FM
>mic holding it next to the KWM-2A speaker and generate CW using the sidetone
>on KWM-2A. Even though a voice signal was unintelligible, the CW could
>always be copied.
> d) When the s*** hit the fan, we always tried to use our fastest CW
>operators -- for obvious reasons. At times our CW net ran at 30-35 WPM. At
>this speed we found that, even if we missed every fifth letter (lightning
>crash, signal fade, etc.), we could still decode the text. In this sense
>the CW was very tolerant. In fact at this speed we learned tricks like NOT
>copying the letter 'e'. We copied all CW traffic by hand. At 30 WPM the
>letter 'e' was simply too short to allow time to write it down.
> e) If you communicate with the same people via CW long enough, you will
>know who is transmitting just by the sound of their code! Our traffic nets
>seldom used callsigns -- much to the chagrin of ASA. Didn't need 'em!
>Code, we found, is just another language -- like French, German, Swahili.
>As a language, you develop an accent.... and you do so in code. The mistake
>most people make in learning code is to learn 'B' as a dash followed by

>three dots. Believe this and you will probably never get past the 13 WPM
>barrier. Here's an analogy -- If you are in a theater and someone stands up
>and shouts:
> F (the letter 'F')
> I (the letter 'I')
> R (the letter 'R')
> E (the letter 'E')
>What would your reaction be? Probably not much. However, if someone stands
>up and shouts 'FIRE', what would you do? It is therefore the composite
>*sound* of this dash and three dots that makes the letter 'B'. When our
>'new guys' arrived in-country, we tried to explain this perspective on code.
>If people having trouble with code understood this, perhaps it would help
>them.

>Many new hams do not realize that ham radio was granted (and keeps!)
>frequencies for two underlying reasons:
> a) To develop a pool of trained radio operators for periods of
>emergency.
> b) To encourage experimentation and development in the field of radio
>communications.
>It is imprudent to throw away/do away with *any* resource that *could* be
>beneficial in an emergency. Unless you have actually operated under truly
>emergency conditions, you have no basis to make statements regarding the
>ability to 'punch through' and communicate. Lacking this experience you are
>merely mouthing the opinions of someone else unqualified to judge. I refer
>to this act as 'the unknowing leading the dumb'.

>I will concede that there are probably some CW'ers that would like to
>disallow voice communications. But that would be as self-serving as doing
>away with CW. CW is a requirement of this class of service. Privileges are
>based, in part, on one's proficiency with that mode. All are free to
>join... and are welcomed! (Many of us have conducted code classes to assist
>others get their license.) BUT... If one does not subscribe to the tenants
>of this group, then freedom allows that individual to select another group.
>To do otherwise is simply another case of the "Have-not's" bitching about
>the "Have's".

>Perhaps we all should move to Quebec..... We could start a movement to do
>away with French! I can't learn it... I don't want to take the time to
>learn it... English is more universally spoken.... Therefore, French is
>simply no longer needed. After all, just because they have been speaking
>French for years is no justification for requiring it. Isn't that a *cute*
>idea?

>In view of todays digital everything our actions then must be viewed as
>practicing witchcraft. But because of my experiences, no one will ever
>convince me that there will never, ever be another need for CW. I hope that
>we as individuals or collectively as a country will never be in a situation
>where marginal commo is all we have. For if that is the case, there will be
>a high demand for burned-out Morse operators. Besides.... CW *was* the
>first digital signal. [A1 through on/off keying]

>To the 'no-coders' I say: "Welcome to ham radio". I will not require you
>to grow a beard. Nor will I ask you to change your religion. I will
>respect your preferences.... so long as you respect the preferences of
>others.

Such respect should, in its own, support elimination of CW
testing and, instead, support learning CW on a voluntary
basis.

>YOU have asked to join a community whose principles, privileges,
>traditions and values were earned and established by those who preceded you.
>Should you not espouse these values, then you have mistakenly joined the
>wrong group.

But such values have changed in the past and will, change again in
the future. Indeed, the one constant IS change.

>Gary B
>K3GB

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
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1580. What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c13121.95400@news.total.net>
Source record: 181287
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Today, 80m propagation was very good and I could hear to something...
so called "Liberty Net" and MISC.

What a garbage ?

I heard continuous non-sense laughing as well as continuous non-sense
CWs. and someone was sparking "This frequency is designated..... "
oh well...

I thought those foggies went through cleaning process... well...
seems not. 2m repeaters are much clean here in Montreal.

Take care.

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why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
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1581. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69r7hb$j25@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181288

Christina Michelle Hunt <michell5@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
>my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
>letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
>early radio amateurs.

If that were the case, we'd be known as hpms instead of hams, since his middle name was Percy. Don't make up "facts."

At that period (~1910), everyone in the radio field was an "amateur", and in fact, Maxim was one of the late players.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1582. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69r831$jce@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181289
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>aircraft under normal circumstances.

Should be the same range as when the aircraft is under abnormal
circumstances.

1583. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C13153.50CA@icss.net>
Source record: 181290
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Mark VandeWettering wrote:
>
> RC> Our hobby is loaded with people who have
> > > >never cracked a book, nor touched a key after passing their tests. So
> > > >many newcomers just buy a radio/HT and from then on it's all talk. I
> > > >gather that you consider this to be "OK", after all the test has been
> > > >passed, what else should anyone expect, right?
> > >
> > > Many of the people you mention have stylish vanity callsigns too.
> > >
>
> Yes,---as of late last year, *ALL* ham radio licensees are eligible for
> a vanity callsign. You too. $50 and it's yours.
>
> Dick W0EX

Isn't W0EX a vanity call?
Brian/N0iMD

1584. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C13579.7141@icss.net>
Source record: 181291
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Joseph M. Jones wrote:
>
> First let me appolagize for butting in on a discussion that I probalby have no
> bussiness getting in to.
> I myself have yet to get my licence, but one day I hope to get it(when I get
> the time to study for it).
>
> from what I've read of this discussion, it seems to me that the consern here as
> J Kelley said is
> that it's not that people want to maintain the standard requirements to get in
> so much as it's
> the standards of conduct. so wouldn't it be more appropreate to makee stricter
> policy on conduct.
> that way the goals of the amateur service are maintained, and it will still
> filter out the "CB riff raff"
> that you don't want.
>
> once again, I appolagize for intruding(and for any spelling mistakes I made)
>
> Hope to be able to talk to some of you on the air one of these days
>
> Joseph M. Jones
> jjones76@primary.net
> prospective amateur operator
>

Yes and no. They want you to behave, AND learn 20WPM. There is no room
for change. It doesn't matter that the FCC has created the no-code Tech
license, no-coders are non-hams in their opinions. Its just that way.
Forget about them.
Go get whatever license you can, and enjoy it.
73, Brian/N0iMD

1585. He said the word "penis" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Burt <burt@innocent.com>
Message-ID: <69rja8$ogn@news-central.tiac.net>
Source record: 181292

The message written below is indictive of the ham mentality that reduced
exam
requirements have brought on. Of course there are many exceptions but
those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
Burt

-----Original Message-----
From: KB9OCE <KB9OCE@AOL.COM>
To: HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR <HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR>
Date: Saturday, January 17, 1998 5:42 PM
Subject: Re: ACL foxhunt report for January 10, 1998

>Burt uses his call sign for identification? I'll bet he uses his penis to
>identify himself as a man too. Hey Burt....even Michael Jackson has one.

1586. Re: What a fool I am!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Burt <burt@innocent.com>
Message-ID: <69rjdq$omo@news-central.tiac.net>
Source record: 181293

jonk wrote in message <34C0CCF2.2FF0D923@moonlink.net>...
>>Any ideas, what happened and what's going to cost to fix? Also, does
>anyone know if
>Yeasu is open Monday 1/19?

"Yeasu?"

Or do you mean Yaesu or Yohoo or YouHoo?

Burt

1587. Re: Response to HAM acronym

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Burt <burt@innocent.com>
Message-ID: <69rjgh$orm@news-central.tiac.net>
Source record: 181294

Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C0EAA7.6536@earthlink.net>...
>Highly Advanced Mammal
>
>Heavenly AND Modest
>
>Hero and Martyr (for trying to educate CB Rambo on the Internet)
>
>Have Already Mastered (what you will never know)

Homo and Mad?
Hos are mine?

Burt

1588. Kenwood TH-GH71A Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: n3sei@qsl.net
Message-ID: <885084960.39190537@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181295

Has anyone found a mod for the Kenwood TH-G71A for out of band transmit
and receive. If so PLEASE e-mail it to me. n3sei@qsl.net

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1589. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <daclark@lni.net>
Message-ID: <34C18318.191F@lni.net>
Source record: 181296
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

codeman@gj.net wrote:
>
> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
> Several hundred miles!
>
> >Hi.
>
> >I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
> >aircraft under normal circumstances.
>
> >Thanks.
>
I have talked to a ham that flies a heavy jet passenger job, I live in
SE MI. (kd8z) and have talked when he left Montreal stopped in Chicago
and all the way to Dallas-Fort Worth all on 146.52. Pilot was using an
ht, have a 6 ele quad and 160 watts though I didn't need it.
73 Al

1590. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69rjde$g4a$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181297

In article <69qq73$253$1@news3.texas.net>, K7RMJ <oak@texas.net> wrote:

>Thanks to the W5YI report, here are the latest statistics
>for amateur licenses in the USA as of 12/1/97.
>
>Total licensed hams: 719,341
>
>This total is only 1.1% increased over last year at
>the same time. The net increase is only 7582
>over December 1, 1996.

This directly conflicts with FCC license class data at

http://www.speroni.com/FCC

which shows the number of licensed amateurs, by license class,
as increasing by 30K from December 1996 to December 1997.

>Of the total, here's the breakdown by license class.

This data directly conflicts with data at

http://www.speroni.com/FCC

which shows a direct increase in the number of hams in *ALL*
license categories from December 1996 to December 1997.

>Looks to me like there is a LOT of upgrading going on.

Gee, and with that nasty code test...

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1591. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69rjq8$g53$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181298

In article <34C0EC82.C5331878@ibm.net>, Roger, W6VZV <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:

>Spoken in true brotherly fashion, Mike. With that lead-in,
>I am sure that we can all assume that the rest of your post
>is equally gentlemanly, balanced, and in the finest spirit
>of our fraternity.

Absolutely. I don't have a hidden agenda.

>Actually, one of the areas of law in which I am somewhat
>more knowledgeable than average is that of homeowner's
>associations. One of the frequent boilerplate items in
>CC&Rs includes a provision making it the transmitter's
>fault, in the event of "interference with telephones,
>televisions, and other common electronic devices." Sounds
>like an anti-amateur provision to me.

Sounds more like an "anti-CB" provision to me. The average homeowner
is far more likely to have an encounter with a CB radio operator
than s/he is with a ham radio operator. News accounts are replete
with examples of CB operators causing interference with household
items, etc.

>Mikey is correct ...

I usually am, thank you.

>It is because the potential number of people
>who want them is far greater. (Kind of like I've been
>saying, Mikey, lack of numbers. Get it?)

Hmmm. You want "more hams" by eliminating the code test, yet you
pose the claim that the reason these restrictions are in place is
because of the fact that many more people would want a satellite
dish than a ham radio, and the dish is more unsightly.

>However, the
>record is replete with examples of municipalities vigorously
>applying such rules against amateurs.

An antenna is an antenna, isn't it? I'm sure as a lawyer you
understand the concept of 'selective enforcement' and how it can
totally ruin your position WRT future actions by establishing a
precident.

>Mikey is right ...

Of course, thank you. I usually am.

>Too bad this preemption doesn't include radio amateurs.

One would have to pose that question to our FCC officials, wouldn't we?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1592. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69rilm$g29$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181299
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <ajfq96.egb.ln@momserver.trianglemom.net>,
David Hickman <dhickman@umr.edu> wrote:

>Well to tell you the truth, if it wasn't for the no code there would fewer
>hams today.

BZZZZZT. Sorry Dave. Thanks for playing though.

While true that the codeless tech license created a license class which
attracted a certain group of people whom would not otherwise be amateurs,
all license classes in amateur radio have seen an annual increase in their
numbers. Even if there was no codeless license there would be more hams
today than before the codeless license existed.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1593. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C16653.6550@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 15:02:43 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
> Boy) wrote:
>
> >Hi.
> >
> >
> >I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
> >aircraft under normal circumstances.
>
> and from satellite please.
>
>Did you ever hear the term "Line of sight"?

1594. Re: Cabbies On 10 Meters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: roland.stiner@relaynet.org
Message-ID: <8E784FF.04B300A973.uuout@relaynet.org>
Source record: 181301

MN>Um, excuse me, but last I heard, some NYC cabbies WERE using amateur
>radio frequencies for dispatch calls..... illegally, of course!

They're still there, mostly on 28.045 24/7!

 OLX 1.53 Private Reply? E-Mail Me At: NK2U@JUNO.COM

1595. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5bcu@qsl.net
Message-ID: <885092363.283574283@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181302

Let me begin by saying that I am a no-code tech. Now, don't erect any stone monuments on top of my body for being what I am. I plan to tackle code and the general class question pool in the coming weeks. I'm not pro-code. I'm not anti-code. I just recently discovered that there WAS a code/no-code issue. I just want to cut through the bickering and complaining that everyone is doing and say that I would HATE to make contact with ANY of you on ANY freq. on ANY band. It seems for me that most of the folks posting in this thread are only looking for something to gripe about or someone to argue with. Of course, I expect to get my share of flame mail about this from both camps. That, I suppose, is unavoidable.

"That's all I've got to say about that."
F. Gump

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1596. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Roger <rdb@no.spam.muhlon.com>
Message-ID: <34C15FF4.2FBC@no.spam.muhlon.com>
Source record: 181303
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
<snippity do dah>
> As a practical matter, if you key up a 2 meter transceiver from an
> airplane in flight you had better be on simplex because you will bring
> up every repeater on your frequency for miles around.

Which will be the least of your problems if you are on a commercial
flight. Probably everyone here knows this, but the use of a radio
transmitter or receiver aboard an aircraft is forbidden unless
permission from the pilot is obtained.
73,
Roger
//
Opinions are a dime a dozen,
but facts are priceless.
//

1597. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C17C8E.8965801B@flash.net>
Source record: 181304

kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:

> most of the folks posting in this thread are only looking for something
> to gripe about or someone to argue with.

Why yes, that's the idea. You see if we all agreed on everything there
wouldn't be much to talk about would there?

Tim

1598. Re: He said the word "penis" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C1846D.8C6F4750@flash.net>
Source record: 181305

Burt wrote:

> The message written below is indictive of the ham mentality that reduced
> exam requirements have brought on. Of course there are many exceptions but
> those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
> Burt
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: KB9OCE <KB9OCE@AOL.COM>
> To: HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR <HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR>
> Date: Saturday, January 17, 1998 5:42 PM
> Subject: Re: ACL foxhunt report for January 10, 1998
>
> >Burt uses his call sign for identification? I'll bet he uses his penis to
> >identify himself as a man too. Hey Burt....even Michael Jackson has one.

Well I guess I must STAND WITH HIM then. Go piss off Burt, your the king of dishing out insults and making rude comments about people, hams, and anyone else on your shit list.. It amazes me how you behave when someone throws it back in your direction. Oh look, look everyone, someone called me a name and I'm going to repost it for everyone to see....

1599. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C18769.7E1E9D05@flash.net>
Source record: 181306
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary Coffman wrote:

> On 17 Jan 1998 21:33:21 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:
>
> >cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
> >>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
> >>aircraft under normal circumstances.
> >
> >Should be the same range as when the aircraft is under abnormal
> >circumstances.
>
> Abnormal circumstances would be when the aircraft is flying through
> a granite cloud. Range is very short in that case.

Pilot to co-pilot...Hey, what are all those mountain goats doing up here in the clouds?

1600. pc programing the c528a

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: DENSARC@RIDA.NET
Message-ID: <885099277.508624908@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181307

DOES ANYONE KNOW IF STANDARD HAS COME OUT WITH COMPUTER PROGRAMING
SOFTWARE THE C528A ..??? IF SO WERE CAN I GET IT... TNX 73 DENNIS

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1601. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C18F6B.17AD@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181308

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>
> In <34C0C015.4FF@ix.netcom.com> AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com> writes:
> >
> >DANO wrote:
> >>
> >> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what
> abbreviations
> >> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well I asked what "ham" was.
> >>----
> >Yo! Dano -- Tis an age old question -- no definitive answer -- but for
> >what it may be worth -- some speculations at URL:
> >http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageal.html#OH
> >
> >73
> >Rod the Ham
> >
> I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> early radio amateurs.
>
> Anyone interested would be better advised to go to the nearest library
> and request the book "A Genius in the Family" instead of going to a URL
> where there is mere speculation.
>
> Michelle Hunt
> W0YMW
> Amateur Advanced

Hi Michelle -- the ARRL disagrees with you, see ARRL URL:
http://www.arrl.org/whyham.html

As to your definitive answer -- are you referring to Hiram Percy Maxim, cofounder of the ARRL??? Please tell us what person "A Genius in the Family" chronicles. Who is Hiram A. Maxim??? You certainly don't ascribe to any one book as being the definitive source, or do you???

The answers given at the original referenced URL have been published in many magazines and books -- it is an honest attempt to define the term -- much more than speculation, some of the authors were alive when the term was first used. But most state that inadequate documentation exists and that was my original premise, it still is.

As for libraries -- full of books on speculations i.e., JFK, Custer, Lincoln, and Nostradamus!! The real reason Custer lost the battle of the Little Big Horn was Crazy Horse!!! But most Library books blame it on Custer or Reno!!! You figure!!

What if Custer had 2 meter HT's????

Rod The Ham
--
AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

1602. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Doug younker, N0LKK" <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34C11516.2619@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 181309

WILLIAM W MUNSIL wrote:
>
> Maybe we can flood the 800 subscription number with complaints and
> threats to cancel our subscriptions.
>
> 1-800-677-6400
> TV GUIDE Customer Service Hotline.
>
> 73 de N7AOU/ATV - definitely NOT an acronym.
==========
Hello,
I'm not here to pick on William. Just to caution that we send
reasonable informative messages pointing out the error of the usage of
the terms. All I done is sent an email. Pointing out the error and that
many hams find the term cber derogatory and also directed them to the
ARRl's page for more about Amateur radio. 'sides I can't cancel my
subscription, I have never have subscribed to the publication.
>
> --
> Lernu la Internacian Lingvon, Esperanto. Call 800-Esperanto for info.
> Check soc.culture.esperanto for Esperanto in daily usage.

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

1603. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>
Source record: 181310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 18:38:34 -0600, Richard Carroll
> > <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
> >
> > > Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
> > >are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.
> >
> > Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
> > preferred over no calculators whatever.
> >
> > If you think this abacus statement is bull****, your CW statement is
> > also ****.
>
> So you think abacus training equates to morse code training. My, MY.
> You go ahead and learn the abacus and your 2meter HT, I'll take the
> morse code on HF. If you lose your abacus (or your calculator), you can
> always guess. I'll use my brain, with a pencil and paper to work
> problems and makes notes if needed, since I was trained as a child to do
> basic math.
> Meanwhile I can still communicate and handle traffic over long and
> short distances using morse code, while you're talking to yourself when
> the ice storm removes power and destroys antennas on your local 2meter
> repeater. (Of course I may do it the easy and use HF SSB, if that's
> what's in use). You're still talking to yourself. Lotsa luck.
>
> (He doesn't seem to know that the abacus was invented and used when
> pencil and paper were unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely.
> It was much easier to keep tallies on an abacus than to etch them on
> stone or clay tablets, then throw them away afterward.)
>
> Dick W0EX
>
> "The winners laugh and tell funny stories, while the losers glower and
> say "Shut up and deal!)

(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
beep on CW than to speak on SSB.)

Brian/N0iMD

1604. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Larry Murphy <larrym@mail.tco.net>
Message-ID: <34C1A04D.7C1D@mail.tco.net>
Source record: 181311

DANO wrote:
>
> WOW!!!!!!!!! I GOT INTELLIGANT ANSWERS TO A QUESTION MEANT TO STIR UP THE
> SARCASTIC..
> i guess their is hope for us on this planet after all.. DanoA ham is obviously a half of a hog's ass.

1605. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: MIKE NORTON <manorton@thegrid.net>
Message-ID: <69s8ch$6t2$1@zinger.callamer.com>
Source record: 181312
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Umm, using 146.520 to talk with him all that time? Shame shame.

Sorry had to dig in there :-)

I like the abnormal comments also. :-)

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In His Service
Mike Norton, KF6NCY
Pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Willows, California
http://www.tcnet.net/manorton - Berean On-Line Ministries
http://www.qsl.net/kf6ncy - KF6NCY and NCZ's ham page
Al wrote in message <34C18318.191F@lni.net>...
>codeman@gj.net wrote:
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>> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
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>> Several hundred miles!
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>> >Hi.
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>> >I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
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>and all the way to Dallas-Fort Worth all on 146.52. Pilot was using an
>ht, have a 6 ele quad and 160 watts though I didn't need it.
>73 Al

1606. Re: He said the word "penis" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick@libelle.com
Message-ID: <dick-ya02408000R1701982151350001@news.zippo.com>
Source record: 181313

In article <34C1846D.8C6F4750@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Burt wrote:
>
>> The message written below is indictive of the ham mentality that reduced
>> exam requirements have brought on. Of course there are many exceptions but
>> those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
>> Burt
>>
>> -----Original Message-----
>>
>> >Burt uses his call sign for identification? I'll bet he uses his penis to
>> >identify himself as a man too. Hey Burt....even Michael Jackson has one.
>
>Well I guess I must STAND WITH HIM then. Go piss off Burt, your the king of
>dishing out insults and making rude comments about people, hams, and anyone
>else on your shit list.. It amazes me how you behave when someone throws it
>back in your direction. Oh look, look everyone, someone called me a name and
>I'm going to repost it for everyone to see....

r.r.a.m is ham radio? Losing touch with reality, are we?! :)

73, Dick
--
Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada DM09db (South of Reno)
Visit http://www.qsl.net/w7di/

1607. Re: FS: Optoelectronics "Scout" model 40

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jungle jim <junglejim@delta.com>
Message-ID: <34C0F1E7.99362A34@delta.com>
Source record: 181314
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

If you bother to check the Opto web site you will find them NEW for $350.

Jim Newcomb wrote:

> FOR SALE:
>
> OPTO Scout model 40. Works great with an IC-R10 or similar receiver. I
> am asking $350 plus shipping. If interested please e-mail
> <premier@adi-radio.com>.
>
> Jim Newcomb, N7MBA
>
> ----------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1608. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: bohnovic@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <69pb66$43a@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181335

Ron Boyd <rdboyd@hiwaay.net> wrote:

>Hello:
>
>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?
>
>73 de Ron
Why should it cost any more than a regular call? A renewal is a
renewal. I thought the $50.00 fee was to cover the costs incurred from
additional work brought on by the vanity program.

Are they treating vanity callsign renewals like like the state of
Florida treats vanity license plates? Each time you renew you have to
pay an additional fee.

73..de John/K4WJ

John in Pembroke Pines, FL

1609. Re: FT-900CAT POWER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117042301.XAA15921@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181336

>ANYBODY WHO KNOWS HOW TO INCREASE THE POWER IN MY FT-900
>PLEASE E-MAIL ME THANKS.

Connect it to 24vdc.

K�MB

1610. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd22d9$91da6aa0$051871ce@default>
Source record: 181337

WOW!!!!!!!!! I GOT INTELLIGANT ANSWERS TO A QUESTION MEANT TO STIR UP THE SARCASTIC..
i guess their is hope for us on this planet after all.. Dano

1611. licensed to spam....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: desmith@telalink.net
Message-ID: <69ovp0$ce9@apple.telalink.net>
Source record: 181338

I'd been hoping radio amateurs were above stealing 'Net services through spam. While I'm sure some of the spam I've received was the result of my address being scammed from my postings on one of the amateur radio groups, I've been assuming the spammers were interloping profiteers, not real radio enthusiasts.

Unfortunately, today I was proven wrong. A piece of spam arrived, signed with a 1x3 W4 callsign. (in light of today's lawsuit-happy society, I won't identify the jerk -- but you know who you are, and I'm sure my fellow spam victims know too.) No, it wasn't a forged call -- the name & city checked out against the FCC database; it appears this junk really was sent by a licensed radio amateur. (and grade-A lid...)

If one feels they *must* steal my address from a ham radio group to spam me, can't they at least scam ham gear, not computer software??

73 Doug

1612. Re: 1.9 GHz PCS Telephones + 860 MHz cellular Phones In One

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: santa@claus.net
Message-ID: <34c052da.37025630@news.cpuinc.net>
Source record: 181339
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

when you use 110 ac for a stereo, the 60 cycles are changed to pulsed
d.c. ... then a large filter cap. filters out that ac hum. but with a
microwave you don't need that filter. it's pulsed 60 cycles.

On Tue, 06 Jan 1998 00:54:38 -0800, "Doug younker, N0LKK"
<dougy@ruraltel.net> wrote:

>Michelle,
> I'm only an electronics hobbyist, so I may ask stupid Questions. I'm at
>a loss why the RF generated by a microwave oven would even be
>"modulated". Could you explain further?, What information is being
>carried by a modulated microwave oven?. I always understood RF signals
>are modulated because of the fact that a pure continuous AC signal
>cannot convey information. Thanks
>
>--
>73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
>near Plainville, KS
>dougy@ruraltel.net
>==
>Christina Michelle Hunt wrote;
>
>>
>> In <34B0A5D3.4E02@flash.net> David- <david084@flash.net> writes:
>> >
>> >>
>> >> On 26 Dec 1997 03:41:52 GMT, vbook@vbook-nospam.com (Ed Mitchell)
>> >> wrote:
>> >>
>> >> >One more comment that is often overlooked - your typical microwave
>> oven already
>> >> >leaks about 1/2 to 1 watt of RF around all six sides. The general
>> public seems
>> >> >comfortable with the use of microwave ovens for the last two
>> decades, in spite
>> >> >of their leakage (which used to be worse).
>> >
>> > Do you hold your microwave right up against the side of your head
>> >while its operating?
>>
>> I would like to know how you are computing that figure, since microwave
>> ovens use pulse modulation. At what point are you measuring that
>> "radiation", i.e., how close or how far from the oven. Is this figure
>> for a new oven or one that has seen hard, commercial service. Are you

>> using a DC average or a formula based on duty-cycle? For that matter,
>> are you giving factual information or are you merely repeating
>> something you read somewhere?
>>
>> I just love people who give these sweeping "facts" without any
>> technical basis.
>>
>> Michelle Hunt
>> Michell5@ix.netcom.com
>

1613. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C06032.4C0A3A72@flash.net>
Source record: 181340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:

> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:
> >
> > >AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
> > >TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
> > >THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..
> >
> > I learned code in a day. I took the test on the same day and passed
> > it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
> > Listen to some HFs. You will see it.
>
> Cutie Pie, you just told on yourself. Anyone who thinks any level of
> code can be mastered in a day hasn't a clue.

Yea, he's made this claim several times. While I've never taught a code
class, I've watched at least a hundred or so learn code and take the exam.
NOT A CHANCE IN HELL did he learn it in a day. It makes you wonder if he
really knows CW at all.
I'd welcome a chat on 40m CW M@S@ just let me know what time.

Tim ka8ddz

1614. Re: [Fwd: Re: NO CODE vs CODE!]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34C082E2.1C8B@geocities.com>
Source record: 181341

> Subject: Re: NO CODE vs CODE!
> Date: Fri, 16 Jan 1998 21:22:04 -0500
> From: Mike Burch <Libertybell7@earthlink.net>
> Organization: EarthLink Network, Inc.
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <68sah3$dke@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
<19980107021900.VAA14060@ladder01.news.aol.com> <34B3AAD5.EFF7A82A@ix.netcom.com>
>
>
>
> M Johnson wrote:
><snipped section
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA
>
> Hi fella's,
>
> In my opinion morse code is pretty much useless except that its

And you call for the retention of useless knowledge, aren't thier other
thing for us to spend our time learning

> tradition adds depth and character to amateur radio as a whole. It
> lets us touch the old ways and to master it is an accomplishment that
> can be felt to the soul.

the above is a subjective statement to say the least, Athough personaly
I will feel to the dpths of My Soul a haert sense of releif, if my
efforts at learning code should result in passing a test of it. So that
I can forget about it.

> Americans are leaning way to far to
> immediate gratification in my opinion and morse code puts on the
> brakes just a bit. If you want full privileges in your heart you will
> sit down every night after work or school and keep trying until you
> master it! Good luck to all of you... Mike Burch K8MB (Got extra
> class at age 17) so you can do it also.

Again another subjective statement. To pull an Extra class at 17,
obviously you have some talent at morse. All well and good for you, but
I have spent a good of time in my youth (about 3 years, in my teens)
and a few months now with the much more usefull computer study programs
without mastering it.

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

1615. TO DANO RE:MARS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dale Allen <daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2324$e982cc20$c13f8bcd@daleal>
Source record: 181342

DANO:
The ancronym M.A.R.S. stands for Military Affiliate Radio System.
Basically a bunch of hams HERE ON EARTH who have VOLUNTEERED their Amateur
Radio Stations for the purpose of helping the military services (and their
personnel) keep in touch with each other and their families world-wide.
Has absolutely NOTHING to do with the "red planet" Mars.

The MARS has repeater allocations above the 2M (144-148) amateur radio
band, thus the "MARS MODS" to extend the transmit/recieve frequency ranges
of various Amateur Radio equipment.

G'day
--
Dale Allen
KB7TNR
daleal.nospam@cyberhighway.net

1616. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwilkers@netcom.com
Message-ID: <jwilkersEMxE5A.Mt3@netcom.com>
Source record: 181343

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>Question: what does "HAM" stand for?

Home Amateur Mechanic.

... per a copy of a 1917 Radio times.

--
John L. Wilkerson Jr. jwilkers@netcom.com
http://members.tripod.com/~jwilkers/frspage.html

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Spamgard(tm) in effect to attend to unwanted commercial email.

1617. This Week in Amateur Radio #251 (for air through 1/23/98)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephan M. Anderman" <sanderman@delphi.com>
Message-ID: <B3aFM8G.sanderman@delphi.com>
Source record: 181344

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Here is a summary of news items covered on edition #251 of
"This Week in Amateur Radio", North America's satellite-delivered
audio bulletin service, for the week ending 23-Jan:
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1. Ice Storm '98 1/5 -- Weather Disaster Strikes US and Canada
2. Ice Storm '98 2/5 -- Emergency Communications Response
3. Ice Storm '98 3/5 -- Damage Assessment, Government Moves In
4. Ice Storm '98 4/5 -- Canada Hit Hardest, Millions Powerless
5. Ice Storm '98 5/5 -- Hams Collect Goods, Winter Hits Again
6. Storm Takes Down Towers, Affects Commercial Broadcasting
7. "Gateway 160 Meter Net Report" with Vern Jackson, WA0RCR
8. Weekly Propagation Forecast
9. Special Event Station Calendar
10. FCC Grinds Out More Vanity Call Signs, KB6ZV now W6ROD
11. DXCC Activity, ARRL Membership Down from 1996 Levels
12. AMSAT Seeks Commercial Work to Maintain Facility Operations
13. John Glenn to Fly on STS-95, A Ham Ticket in his Future?
14. League Offers "ARRL Audio News" Telephone Bulletin Service
15. "This Week" Initiates New Audio Cue Tones for Affiliates
16. "The RAIN Dial-up" from Chicago
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1618. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117115801.GAA13104@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181345

In article <34BEE5B4.6756@hiwaay.net>, Ron Boyd <rdboyd@hiwaay.net> writes:

>
The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
is
>to cover a license period of 10 years.

It makes me wonder.... what will be
>the fee to renew a vanity callsign
ten years from now (2008). Anybody have
>any idea?

It won't matter because, if things continue at their present pace, there will
be no amateur radio to speak of in 2008.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1619. Re: Prohibit phone modes on HF

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwedge <jwedge@netcomuk.co.uk>
Message-ID: <34C0A757.166A24CF@netcomuk.co.uk>
Source record: 181346
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On 12 Jan 1998 16:42:52 GMT, pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu wrote:
>
> >be more room for everyone, less QRM,
>
> more room for whom ? you ? 1% of amateur community or what ?
>
> > more experimentation
> > and
> >perhaps more innovations.
>
> what kinda experimentation ?
>

and what mode do you use ?

> ---
>
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> McGill)
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> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
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> sollicitï¿½s!!

1620. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0b14a.3386088@news.total.net>
Source record: 181347

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Ham = Ham meat

Spam = Spam meat

whatelse...

Don't worry and eat it please.

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1621. *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0b183.3443402@news.total.net>
Source record: 181348
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

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Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??

Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)

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1622. New Yaesu Warranty Policy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cluett@mv.mv.com
Message-ID: <69qc31$gh1$1@pyrite.mv.net>
Source record: 181349
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Yaesu has a new warranty policy. They will be pay shipping both ways for warranty service. Previously, you had to pay to ship to them; they would pay to return it to you.

Yaesu management hasn't told its customers about the policy. They didn't even tell their customer service people.

Mr. Mikio Maruya, vice president of Yaesu, confirmed the policy to me in a letter of January 7, 1998. "Please be advised that yes it is true, we did change our policy. In the U.S. when customers purchase our radios and if the radio does not work properly then of course we will reimburse shipping charges; (UPS/ground or regular parcel post only)!"

This policy has actually been in place since last July. I was told about it by the president of the company.

But when I called to send my FT-8100 back for service the second time, the customer service people told me they didn't know anything about it. So I wrote Mr. Maruya to confirm that it was in place.

If you need a copy of these two letters, drop me a note. I'll send you a photocopy.

My Ft-8100 had so many problems I asked them to replace the radio. They declined and I have since purchased an Icom 2710 which has been flawless so far.

Jim, W1PID

1623. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0b007.3063313@news.total.net>
Source record: 181350
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 11 Jan 1998 13:25:05 -0800, Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
wrote:

>> Most emergency situations are local in nature.

that's right. talking to someone in Japan on 30m doesn't help much.

>> Therefore, the
>> bulk of emergency traffic tends to be handled on VHF frequencies,

yes. mostly. some people chit-chat what's going on on 80m and
40m... but they aren't "emergency."

>> specifically, the 2 meter band, being the most widely used VHF
>> band.

agreed.

>This not a local emergency.

it is a local emergency.

> There has been severe damage from
>Kingston and Ottawa all the way to New Brunswick.

yup, but I don't see any points transmitting signals west to AB, BC,
south to Florida, north to Alaska.

> I can see
>applications of HF and satellite communications to get stuff
>out of the very large affected area.

phones weren't damaged so much (compared to hydro) so we could use
cells, internet and something else.
HFs were typically useless at least in Montreal area.
Many people could chit-chat what's going on, but the frequencies
weren't used as "May-Day," or "Pan-Pan" more like "Securite"... if you
know the phrases for commercial traffics...

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1624. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0b202.3570187@news.total.net>
Source record: 181351
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 02:39:31 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> > >AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
>> > >TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
>> > >THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..

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>> > Listen to some HFs. You will see it.

>> Cutie Pie, you just told on yourself. Anyone who thinks any level of
>> code can be mastered in a day hasn't a clue.

> Yea, he's made this claim several times. While I've never taught a code
>class, I've watched at least a hundred or so learn code and take the exam.
>NOT A CHANCE IN HELL did he learn it in a day.

I practised TX occasionally on 6m or something (my call sign), but
before the test day, I didn't practise RX... and I didn't know rest
20% of alphabets + numbers. On the test day, I spend all day for
practising and I passed the test.
I just had to remember dahs and dits. What a crazy stuff... too
easy. No wonder why it doesn't make good hams on HF.

It [CW] was easier than remembering 500 questions for written exam.
I took three days (not whole three days... a couple hours each day) to
remember half of the questions completely... and took the exam and
passed my advanced near boarder line... it was much difficult.

> It makes you wonder if he
>really knows CW at all.

I don't have to know CW because I don't use it.
IT IS USELESS. If you want to stick to this obselete mode (it's
like sticking to abacus instead of calculator), go ahead... but if you
force or laugh someone because she/he doesn't know CW, you look very
silly. If I force or laugh you because you don't know abacus, I must
be silly...

Please be considerate.

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1625. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C0C015.4FF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181352

DANO wrote:
>
> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abbreviations
> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well I asked what "ham" was.

Yo! Dano -- Tis an age old question -- no definitive answer -- but for
what it may be worth -- some speculations at URL:
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageal.html#OH

73
Rod the Ham

--
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1626. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C0C71F.5E5EA08D@flash.net>
Source record: 181353
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> before the test day, I didn't practise RX... and I didn't know rest
> 20% of alphabets + numbers. On the test day, I spend all day for
> practising and I passed the test.
> I just had to remember dahs and dits. What a crazy stuff... too
> easy. No wonder why it doesn't make good hams on HF.

Like most of the things you say M@s@ your statements regarding how your learned morse are full of inconsistencies. You first claim to have learned morse in one day and passed it. In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test. Yet you say you didn't practice "RX" before the test day. I can't help but wonder how you knew 80% without ever listening to it. I just wanted to let you know that those of us who have spent the time to learn code and send it with any amount of proficiency know that you are full of shit. So dream on Cutie boy, but your not fooling anybody.

Tim

1627. Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0c7ba.110555@news.total.net>
Source record: 181354
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Hi.

I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
aircraft under normal circumstances.

Thanks.

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1628. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C0C9B1.94718B3E@flash.net>
Source record: 181355
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??
>
> Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)

Masa, if we can find you a girlfriend in Montreal, would you promise not to ask anymore stupid ass questions?

1629. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0c9d2.646268@news.total.net>
Source record: 181356
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 15:02:43 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>Hi.
>
>
>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>aircraft under normal circumstances.

and from satellite please.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1630. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c0c8aa.350807@news.total.net>
Source record: 181357
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 09:58:39 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> I practised TX occasionally on 6m or something (my call sign), but
>> before the test day, I didn't practise RX... and I didn't know rest
>> 20% of alphabets + numbers. On the test day, I spend all day for
>> practising and I passed the test.
>> I just had to remember dahs and dits. What a crazy stuff... too
>> easy. No wonder why it doesn't make good hams on HF.

>Like most of the things you say M@s@ your statements regarding how your learned
>morse are full of inconsistencies.

> You first claim to have learned morse in one day
>and passed it.

yup. that's true.

> In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
>studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.
> Yet you say you didn't
>practice "RX" before the test day.

> I can't help but wonder how you knew 80% without
>ever listening to it.

I just saw the chart of dits and dahs. I occasionally TXed my call
sign on 6m and 2m, but that was it before the test day. I didn't
"practise" before the test day. Period.

> I just wanted to let you know that those of us who have
>spent the time to learn code and send it with any amount of proficiency know that

>you are full of shit. So dream on Cutie boy, but your not fooling anybody.

CW is too easy (this is the major problem), obselete and non sense to
force someone for giving HF privilege. Take this requirement away
and replace it with difficult or more practical written exams.

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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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Please remove "ham" to reply.

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1631. What a fool I am!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jonk <jonk@moonlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C0CCF2.2FF0D923@moonlink.net>
Source record: 181358
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

Hi all,
While I'm waiting the weekend for Yeasu to open I thought I'd find out what kind of repair bill I' looking forward to. I constructed a patch cord, according to the mods sent to me by Yeasu Tech support, which was supposed to supply power from the 13v outlet in the back of the FT840 to an MD100 mic (to run the mic's filters). The cord was a combination of two .33uf caps and a voltage regulator, supplying 5v to the Mic. I tested it--no shorts but when I plugged it in, the meter pinned, the radio went dead, and there was a smoke smell. Now when it's turned on, the meter pins and there's no sound.

Any ideas, what happened and what's going to cost to fix? Also, does anyone know if
Yeasu is open Monday 1/19?

Thanks in advance.
73s de Jonathan ko6xs

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

1632. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: David Hickman <dhickman@umr.edu>
Message-ID: <ajfq96.egb.ln@momserver.trianglemom.net>
Source record: 181359
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote in message <34bf5d1f.1057534@news.total.net>...
>On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 21:42:16 -0600, 8tjm@concentric.net wrote:
>
>
>>AND DWIGHT.. DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT KEEPING NO CODE
>>TYPES (WHO ARE TO BUSY TO LEARN THE CODE LIKE YOU) OFF
>>THE HAM BANDS .. WOULD KILL HAM RADIO..
>
>I learned code in a day. I took the test on the same day and passed
>it. That's the problem. Code is too easy to make good hams.
>Listen to some HFs. You will see it.
>
>

Well to tell you the truth, if it wasn't for the no code there would fewer hams today. I know of several people around where I live who migrated from cb to ham radio. When they got tired of 2m and 440, they learned the code. I got my tech license before there was a no code version, All that I did was promply forget it.
So now I gotta relearn the code so I can get my general. (I am buying an hf rig.) 2m sucks where I live.

dhickman kb0fhf

1633. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117160100.LAA04174@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181360

>Did anyone notice the TV Guide crossword puzzle for the Jan. 17-23
>magazine?
>
>One of the questions (1 down as I recall) asked for 'Ham Radio Operator'
>and the 4 letter answer was 'CBER'.

Consider it a complement.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1634. Lots of Amateur Radio Links

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: KE4VVF <aslewis@rocketmail.com>
Message-ID: <34C0DAD3.213B@rocketmail.com>
Source record: 181361

Lots of Amateur Radio Links

http://www.angelfire.com/al/wasshappinin/

Personal web page dedicated to links only.

1635. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: michell5@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <69qn9s$2ea@sjx-ixn5.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181362

In <34C0C015.4FF@ix.netcom.com> AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com> writes:
>
>DANO wrote:
>>
>> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what
abbreviations
>> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well I asked what "ham" was.
>----
>Yo! Dano -- Tis an age old question -- no definitive answer -- but for
>what it may be worth -- some speculations at URL:
>http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageal.html#OH
>
>73
>Rod the Ham
>
I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
early radio amateurs.

Anyone interested would be better advised to go to the nearest library
and request the book "A Genius in the Family" instead of going to a URL
where there is mere speculation.

Michelle Hunt
W0YMW
Amateur Advanced

1636. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69qbeufah1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181363

In article <34C02404.F96@asu.edu>, Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>Roger, W6VZV wrote:
>>
>> 3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
>> proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
>> antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1
>
>This seems to make sense until you look at licensing figures. There are
>more licensed now than ever before. It is more likely that *increasing*
>numbers have led to the proliferation of covenants, if there is any
>correlation at all. Such restrictions are in fact general not directed
>at hams exclusively, but at a variety of "nuisances," creative
>landscaping, treehouses, washlines, etc.

Roger, a die-hard member of the No-Code Agenda, went to the Carl Stevenson Fact Fabrication Academy and graduated Magna Cum BS.

Roger *knows* that the primary reason for most antenna covenets (which in most instances don't just single out amateur antennas -- they often cover ham antennas, television antennas, satellite dishes, and so on) is very simple, and has absolutely *nothing* to do with ham radio, or morse code. However, as a member of the No-Code Agenda, he has to post a required amount of distortion, fabrication, and obfuscation on a regular basis. Being a lawyer, this comes to him naturally.

In reality, the reason for restrictive covenets is quite simple, and if you peruse other USENET newsgroups that deal with homes or construction (such as the rec.satellite newsgroups) you will see that these deed restrictions are discussed by many people they affect. The most common reason given for why these restrictions are so popular today is as follows: Whenever a new housing community is built, the contractor has to pay the cable company to run cable to each house. Instead, many cable companies agree to do it for free, if the contractor puts a restrictive covenet in the deed to prevent people from breaking free of the cable monopoly by buying their own antennas. The contractor reduces his costs, the cable company ensures its monopoly, and the homeowner gets screwed. Everyone's happy.

Of course, this is the reason I've seen posted on the rec.satellite newsgroup, so I suppose it is jaded by the common interests of that newsgroup. But, in life whenever something strange is happening the "golden rule" always shows the way: Follow the money. So, the abovelisted reason doesn't sound too far off track.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1637. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69qoe0$fo1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181364

In article <19980117115801.GAA13104@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>It won't matter because, if things continue at their present pace, there will
>be no amateur radio to speak of in 2008.

Nice try.

If things continue at their current pace, there will be almost 1,000,000
licensed amateurs in 2008 (if we linearly extrapolate current annual
growth of 30k amateurs for 10 years).

FCC statistics support this claim: http://www.speroni.com/FCC

Don't listen to Spew Durigan, aka CBBimbo -- he has a bad case of
ticket-envy.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1638. Smallest signal possible into a receiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: electron78@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117171501.MAA14167@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181365

What is the lowest signal, in dBm or watts, that the average VHF communications receiver can pick up ? Can a signal at the antenna of a VHF receiver be as low as, lets say, 1nW or -60dBm (with a rubber ducky ant) and still be received above the noise? Or would a VHF receiver need a stronger signal to receive voice or even CW? Thanks for any help!

Mike

1639. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69qq73$253$1@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181366

In article <19980116141901.JAA20357@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com says...
>
>In article <69m323$b6p$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
>kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:
>
>>In article <19980115181701.NAA07012@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
> Spew Durigan
>><cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

[snip major BS about ham ranks growing vs shrinking]

>How about you show us a breakdown of this, by license class. You will find
>what I say to be true; amateur radio is stagnant in all classes of license
>except for the no-code Technician class.
>
>
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Okay, here is a copy of the results from the W5YI report on the licensed radio amateur population...thanks to Cecil W6RCA for the source and thanks to Tom NE7X for forwarding it to me...

Thanks to the W5YI report, here are the latest statistics
for amateur licenses in the USA as of 12/1/97.

Total licensed hams: 719,341

This total is only 1.1% increased over last year at
the same time. The net increase is only 7582
over December 1, 1996.

Of the total, here's the breakdown by license class.

Extra: 75,694 an increase of 2176 which represents
an increase of 2.9%. The percent of all hams that
are Extra is now 10.5%, up from 10.3%.

Advanced: 112,482 a decrease of 1922 which represents
a decrease of 1.7%. The percent of all hams that
are Advanced is now 15.6%, down from 16.1%.

General: 124,415 a decrease of 2299 which represents
a decrease of 1.8%. The percent of all hams that

are General is now 17.3%, down from 17.8%.

Tech Plus: 147,559 a decrease of 782 which represents
a decrease of 0.5%. The percent of all hams that
are Tech Plus is now 20.5%, down from 20.8%.

Tech: 179,226 an increase of 18,636 which represents
a increase of 10.4%. The percent of all hams that
are Techs is now 24.9%, up from 22.6%.

Novice: 79,965 a decrease of 7582 which represents
a decrease of 10.3%. The percent of all hams that
are Novice is now 11.1%, down from 12.4%.

Looks to me like there is a LOT of upgrading going on.

Regards, Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

1640. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C0EC82.C5331878@ibm.net>
Source record: 181367

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>

> Roger, a die-hard member of the No-Code Agenda, went to the Carl Stevenson
> Fact Fabrication Academy and graduated Magna Cum BS.

Spoken in true brotherly fashion, Mike. With that lead-in,
I am sure that we can all assume that the rest of your post
is equally gentlemanly, balanced, and in the finest spirit
of our fraternity.

>
> Roger *knows* that the primary reason for most antenna covenets (which
> in most instances don't just single out amateur antennas -- they often cover
> ham antennas, television antennas, satellite dishes, and so on) is very
> simple, and has absolutely *nothing* to do with ham radio, or morse code.

Actually, one of the areas of law in which I am somewhat
more knowledgeable than average is that of homeowner's
associations. One of the frequent boilerplate items in
CC&Rs includes a provision making it the transmitter's
fault, in the event of "interference with telephones,
televisions, and other common electronic devices." Sounds
like an anti-amateur provision to me.

Mikey is correct that many anti-antenna ordinances are
primarily aimed at satellite dishes. Of course, this isn't
because such antennas are more "unsightly" than those used
by amateurs. It is because the potential number of people
who want them is far greater. (Kind of like I've been
saying, Mikey, lack of numbers. Get it?) However, the
record is replete with examples of municipalities vigorously
applying such rules against amateurs.

> Instead, many cable companies
> agree to do it for free, if the contractor puts a restrictive covenet in
> the deed to prevent people from breaking free of the cable monopoly by
> buying their own antennas. The contractor reduces his costs, the cable
> company ensures its monopoly, and the homeowner gets screwed. Everyone's
> happy.

Mikey is right about this. This is precisely why the FCC
recently pre-empted all contractual restrictions against TV
antennas, i.e. CC&Rs. It was an anti-monopoly rationale.
Too bad this preemption doesn't include radio amateurs.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

1641. Response to HAM acronym

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C0EAA7.6536@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181368

Highly Advanced Mammal

Heavenly AND Modest

Hero and Martyr (for trying to educate CB Rambo on the Internet)

Have Already Mastered (what you will never know)

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1642. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C0E93E.1D4@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181369
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??
>
> Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)
>
> ----------
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
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> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ----------
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

I would answer this question as a negative, but I am busy sending CW on
ten/15/20 meters this morning..

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1643. Re: Incentive Licensing (was: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: oak@texas.net
Message-ID: <69qqg2$253$2@news3.texas.net>
Source record: 181370

In article <69mr74$lsh@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu says...
>
>K7RMJ <oak@texas.net> wrote:
>>part of each band will be reserved for cw? Whew... I remember the
>>debates and arguments over incentive licensing. People were whining
>>about that one for years after it was done.
>
>Hi Frank - Wow, you were around in 1923? Incentive licensing was first
>implemented at that time: Only those hams holding the Extra First Class
>amateur ticket (requirements: Licensed for two years, pass an exam
>similar to the commercial first-class test, copy 20wpm, have a clean
>record) were allowed to use the 200-220m band. All other licensees
>had to remain below 200m.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW
>

Oops... You are right. It DID start back then. I was referring to the
debates of the late 50's into the 60's.

Regards, Frank

73's DE K7RMJ dit..dit

1644. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69qrht$8hu@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181371

> The letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> early radio amateurs.

The only problem with this explanation is that his name was Hiram Percy
Maxim.

The origin is still contained here http://www.arrl.org/whyham.html

Glenn, AA5PK

1645. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: codeman@gj.net
Message-ID: <34c0f217.0@news.gj.net>
Source record: 181372
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

Several hundred miles!

>Hi.

>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>aircraft under normal circumstances.

>Thanks.

>_____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

>Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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>�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
>Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***

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1646. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117184600.NAA27017@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181373

>Did anyone notice the TV Guide crossword puzzle for the Jan. 17-23
>magazine?
>
>One of the questions (1 down as I recall) asked for 'Ham Radio Operator'
>and the 4 letter answer was 'CBER'.
>
>I am impressed with the editorial literacy of the Crossword puzzle group!
>
>
So does anybody know the e-mail address for these nattering nabobs of misinformation? Maybe they ought to hear the straight scoop from a "few" of us.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1647. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69qutp$1ck@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181374

> So does anybody know the e-mail address for these nattering nabobs of
> misinformation?

It's http://www.tvguide.com

1648. Re: Smallest signal possible into a receiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117191000.OAA00428@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181375

Usually, Mike, received signals are measured in microvolts. If a receiver can hear 1/2 uv it is doing ok, is the conventional wisdom.

You can do a lot with a good lownoise gasfet pre-amp and state-of-the-art DSP, but there are miracles, and then there are miracles. FM especially is affected by very close signals, and exhibits what is known as the "capture effect". The reciever will tend to lock onto and demodulate the stronger of two signals in it's passband. A pre-amp could aggravate this effect at times, or it might help at other times. A DSP audio filter will help somewhat, especially for CW or MCW. Just set up your passband filter at 500 hz, rock your tuning to put the CW note right in the middle, and narrow your filter down in increments to 100 Hz or so and you will get much better copy as long as the frequency doesn't drift out of the passband.

For the audio filter to work, though, the signal has to get demoddulated in the first place, and so you will want to try a pre-amp when you cannot hear the weak signal without it.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1649. Re: The herpes of NG's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117191101.OAA09818@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181376

>>They are the herpes of newsgroups --- nothing fatal, but a source of
>constant
>>irritation.

>Good one, Gary :-) And thanks for not including me in that group. Although
>I
>can (and do) become quite opinionated sometimes, I try to make logical
>arguments and engage in constructive debate (well...most of the time :-),
>rather than just simply flaming for the sake of agitation.

>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Hey! And he plays trumpet, too. At least I thot I heard him blowing his own
horn.......

"Where's that big 'ol CBimbo??"
" I wanna gear him SQUEAL LIKE A PIG!!"

KMB

1650. Re: Smallest signal possible into a receiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117191200.OAA10044@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181377

By the way, forget the rubber ducky. Even a telescoping whip is better. For weak signal work, you really want a gain antenna designed for the frequency of interest.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1651. Re: The herpes of NG's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117193301.OAA03909@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181378

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>>arguments and engage in constructive debate (well...most of the time :-),
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>> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
>Hey! And he plays trumpet, too. At least I thot I heard him blowing his own
>horn.......
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CBimbo??"
> " I wanna gear him SQUEAL LIKE A PIG!!"

Well, here we go again. I tried the "civil, constructive approach"...but it looks like someone would rather be an agitator instead. If you insist...wind 'er up, TOUGH GUY, and bring it on...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1652. Re: Lots of Amateur Radio Links

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c10ba9.636218@news.total.net>
Source record: 181379

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 16:23:04 GMT, KE4VVF <aslewis@rocketmail.com>
wrote:

>Lots of Amateur Radio Links
>
>http://www.angelfire.com/al/wasshappinin/
>
>Personal web page dedicated to links only.

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/

1653. Need Mod. for Kenwood TS 570D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gustavo <gaej@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <69r4u9$3r2$3@news.icanect.net>
Source record: 181380

I'm Looking for TX Modification for Kenwood TS 570D, if you know how to do it, Please e-mail me at esparza@icanect.net
TNX.

1654. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <69r4he$bd2@mtinsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 01:58:22 GMT, hwatson@erinet.com (Howard Watson) posted:

[Masa & Dick delete]

>
>I, for one, feel that the no-code movement would carry a lot more
>weight WITHOUT Masa's help :>

Disagree. Masa does just fine as an equivalent to Dick and Yo. =0)

>73 de N3TNQ - Howard Watson - hwatson@erinet.com - Springfield, OH

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1655. Re: gate 4 vanity calls

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69qt2u$d9r@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181382

<mdowning@rdatasys.com> wrote:
>There were more gate 4 vanity calls issued yesterday. I count
>at least 500 issued or updated.

I prefer counting my money.

1656. WTB Yeasu YS2000 Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmiller@fix.net
Message-ID: <34c119e8.133388@news.fix.net>
Source record: 181383

I am posting this for a friend. Joe Farmer N4RII in Huntsville, Alabama is looking for a Yeasu YS2000 peak-reading watt meter. This meter operates on 110V AC. Swan also had the same meter with their name on it. Joe would take either meter. If you have one you want to sell, email him jfarm@southbell.net or call him 205-882-6413, He would appreciate it.

Tnx es 73 Harry Miller KB6CGG

1657. AM/FM board for Yaesu FT-102

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmiller@fix.net
Message-ID: <34c11b33.464636@news.fix.net>
Source record: 181384

Another posting for my friend Joe. He is looking for an AM/FM board for the Yaesu FT-102. If you have one and want to sell it, email him jfarm@bellsouth.net or call him 205-882-6413.

Tnx es 73 Harry Miller KB6CGG

1658. Re: COAX 100 FT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd22dd$d919b7a0$d08a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 181425

Where are you located? The shipping could be a killer on a long piece!
:-) DavidC

Anthony D. Schneider <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net> wrote in article
<69o3ot$jbn@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> FOR SALE: ANDREWS COAX CABLE SOLD BY THE FT
> FSJ4-50B SUPERFLEX 1/2 IN HARDLINE
> 50 OHM 25 FT MIN ORDER
> 85 CENTS PER FT PLUS SHIP CHG
>
> 500 FT ROLLS AVAIL. $450.00 EA
>
>

1659. Communitronics Ltd receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: fsradio@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980117003300.TAA00509@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181426

Hello All.
I came across a wwv receiver made by Communitronics LTD, its model number is 6011b, it has a black face,a few bnc connectors in the back,and two in the front.
Any info out there on what this receiver was used for, where this company is located.
Also looking for a manual for the same, will pay for a xerox copy.

Thanks

JAck

1660. Re: NO CODE HAMS .. LISTEN UP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bff72a.1867075@news.total.net>
Source record: 181427
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

From: amfone@concentric.net
Subject: Re: NO CODE HAMS .. LISTEN UP
Date: Fri, 16 Jan 1998 17:36:27 -0600
Message-ID: <884993255.1563361282@dejanews.com>
Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.policy
Organization: Deja News Posting Service
References: <884909479.1216217092@dejanews.com>

>In article <01bd222f$76931580$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>> 8tjm@concentric.net wrote in article <884909479.1216217092@dejanews.com>...

> I think you need to read all of 8tt's message.. Carl
> as usual only re-prints what he wants, to distort the
> truth.. read the entire message from 8tt..
>
> B.A.

>--------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

8tt is using concentric.net and dejanews service and so you are.

I hope you aren't 8tt ?????

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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1661. Re: no code majority

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bff7a6.1991104@news.total.net>
Source record: 181428
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 16 Jan 1998 09:00:09 -0500, "Larry A. Warsinski"
<lwarsins@up.net> wrote:

>Because the vast majority can send a lot faster than they can copy. I can
>send at 13 or better, but cannot copy faster than 9-10.

for receiving, you can't adjust the speed.

for sending, you can adjust your speed as often as you feel
comfortable.

that's why receiving is usually more difficult.

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1662. Re: *** Emergency Communications ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bff6cf.1775640@news.total.net>
Source record: 181429
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 16 Jan 1998 09:34:50 -0800, Jim Cummings <ve3xj@rac.ca> wrote:

>Montreal went down. Downtown Montreal finally got power
>yesterday, after being off the grid for some 7 to 10 days.

really ?

most parts (including my part) of Downtown Montreal received the power
on Monday afternoon - Tuesday morning.

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1663. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34bff651.1649812@news.total.net>
Source record: 181430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Fri, 16 Jan 1998 16:23:01 GMT, "Big_Daddie"
<big_daddie@*bellsouth.net> wrote:

>A cheap solution...??
>You're getting a harmonic of the 46mhz cordless band. I have the same
>problem with my motorola cordless and my 2 mtr rigs. My cordless give me a
>choice of channels with a button push. That solved <moved> my problem.
>Maybe your neighbor's phone is able to change channels the same way.
>
>bd

I hope they don't use their phones as 2m rigs !!

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1664. The mother of all contradictions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69oth6$5ea@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181431
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On the one hand, we have Cecil saying:

``What's funny, Bill, is that one of the retired old HF phartz
who uses the open Intel repeater, is complaining that a
particular conversation on the repeater was "gobblygook". The
topic of that particular "technical" conversation involved
complex impedances. "What the h___ does 'j' stand for? Why
don't you guys talk in English?" When I explained the function
of 'j', the old guy thought I was pulling his leg. :-)''

And his pet, Carl, in full agreement:

``That's typical of the "Morse Forever" CW Olde Farte who dominates
the ARRL/FISTS/etc. ... who was barely competent with a 2-tube rig
(if that) and stagnated into complete incompetence when more modern
technology like semiconductors, microcontrollers, DSP, etc. became
practical realities, even in every-day, low cost consumer devices.''

But, on the other hand we have Roger saying:

``Why? Why do we need these things? When I look at most of
the questions in the pool, I mainly see things that I
learned strictly for passing the test. Not things that I
use being a radio amateur. All that crap about figuring out
impedence, and those other formulas. I passed 'em all, back
in the days of FCC testing (except for the extra: took it in
'92) ... utterly useless. (I rarely have met any amateur
who ever used any of that crap). The stuff that I have
really used, such as RFI abatement techniques via toroids,
grounding of the station for safety, etc., is conspicuously
absent from the tests. Exception: regulation stuff like
band limits, power limits, etc.''

It's scary that these folks want to rewrite the licensing requirements.
Roger calls the formulas "crap" yet Cecil and Carl deride an OT'er for
not knowing them.

If this is typical "agreement" within the no-code camp, I believe the
code is safe and sound for a long time to come.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW
(followups directed to rec.radio.amateur.policy)

1665. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: frog207Lillypads@juno.com
Message-ID: <69p3ab$n4g$4@news.ncal.verio.com>
Source record: 181432

In article <34BEE5B4.6756@hiwaay.net>, rdboyd@hiwaay.net wrote:
>Hello:
>
>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?
>
>73 de Ron

Well, if it gets to much for you, you can always let them issue a fresh one
off the new callsign list.

Ed

REPLY INFO:
==
Return address modified to prevent automatic SPAM response.
TO REPLY: remove the "lillypads" from my return address.
==

1666. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmkarse@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34c01113.3014424@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181433

And one more......

Had Alotof Money :-}

Howard KE6MAK
On Fri, 16 Jan 1998 14:00:32 -0600, Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
wrote:

>You forgot one:
>
>Have Already Mastered (Code)
>
>Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
>
>CBRambo wrote:
>>
>> Question: what does "HAM" stand for?
>>
>> Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods
>>
>> Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
>>
>> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
>> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1667. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-17 00:00:00 UTC
From: hwatson@erinet.com
Message-ID: <34c01003.262833655@news.erinet.com>
Source record: 181434
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 16 Jan 1998 13:12:36 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 18:38:34 -0600, Richard Carroll
><w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
>
>> Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
>>are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.
>
>
>Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
>preferred over no calculators whatever.
>
>
>If you think this abacus statement is bull****, your CW statement is
>also ****.

I, for one, feel that the no-code movement would carry a lot more weight WITHOUT Masa's help :>
73 de N3TNQ - Howard Watson - hwatson@erinet.com - Springfield, OH

1668. Re: cell mod for VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118223701.RAA14796@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181185

>Hey! Any Cell mods for the cute little VX-1R?

Yeah! Mod it, and the Feds pick you a cell!

K�MB

1669. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: David Gough <David.Gough@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2468$907928a0$2e3863c3@default>
Source record: 181186
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

But many people enjoy using Morse the way it is
There are other modes for those who want to send pictures etc., and anyway longer units (7-8 chars) would make it even harder to learn.

Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com> wrote in article
<69lc4r$qr3$1@usenet48.supernews.com>...
> I think you are missing the real point. Morse code is a flawed code. No
> upper and lower case, no curly braces, etc., etc. Way too primitive for
> the 21st century.
>
> Two suggestions. I think what we should be doing is learning to send
ASCII
> or extended ASCII using dits and dahs. All characters would then be 7 or
8
> units long. This would allow us to uuencode pictures of our families and
> not just do the boring: TNX FER CALL OM = UR RST 599 and so on.
>
> My second idea is to sample all CW QSO's for one month and come up with
> extended numeric macros. Just as 73 = best regards, #672 would be: NAME
HR
> IS DAVE DAVE and #362 would be WELL XYL IS CALLING FOR DINNER SO 73 AND
CUL.
> Wouldn't need a PC or UNIX box even. Just a Palm Pilot.
>
> Of course, then we get a lot of folks wanting a No Pilot class of
> license....
>
> 73, W0RNL, Dave, in Sunnyvale (or # 735892)
>
>
> User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys wrote in message
> <68u5pb$q7c$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>...
> >George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:
> >
> >> >
> >> > >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have
been
> >> reading about using the internet
> >> > >for telephony via your computer.
> >> >
> >> > what's the purpose of this ??
> >> >
> >> > efficiency ?????

> >> >
> >
>
> >Morse Code on the Internet..... yup.... the dawn of a new era.....
> >
> >73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP
> >
>
>
>

1670. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69tsis$7hq@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181187

Roger <rogerjb@ibm.net> wrote:
>Jeffrey Herman wrote:

>> P.S. Say Roger, please tell me how several thousand hams quitting
>> would result in practically killing the hobby? Even if every
>> ham losing frequencies had quit, the hobby would still exist.
>> Even if there was just one ham left in the US, the hobby would
>> still exist (and boy, would he be rare DX for other countries!).

>1. Typically, the hams who quit over issues like incentive
>licensing tend to be the active hams. The inactive ones
>don't know, don't care, etc. We saw this in Incentive
>Licensing, which ushered in two decades of stagnation and
>decline, rescued only by the no code Tech program.

As usual, your conjecture is full of holes. During those two
decades of "stagnation," our numbers increased, the 1979 WARC
provided us three new HF bands, new products and manufacturers
appeared, et cetera.

Sure, there was a lot of foot-stamping and chest-pounding at ham
clubs and in the letters to QST, but just how many amateurs perminently
quit the hobby? Do you have any numbers (other than hear-say)?
Anyone who perminently quit because of the loss of a few slivers of
frequencies (which could easily be regained by upgrading) was short-
sighted, not seeing the benefit IL provided future hams; if any actually
left *perminently*, we should be glad.

>2. Boy are you naive. Cut the number of hams below some
>threshold, and the government will run, not walk, to take
>away our bands.

During those two decades, pressure on our HF spectrum from
other services was at its greatest, yet, we gained three new
bands. "Boy, are you naive."

>3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
>proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
>antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1 (the burden of

Fewer numbers would have resulted in fewer RFI complaints and
fewer towers - we would have been noticed much less.

>Hope this helped.

Nice try.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1671. Re: DC and RF Grounding Problem--Severe RFI

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: KF6IEG <jimsmit@ns.net>
Message-ID: <69u625dfl1@aurora.ns.net>
Source record: 181188

All electrical systems must have an accessible connection to the grounding electrode conductor and the grounding electrode. Most homes will have a removable plate adjacent to the electrical service panel, which when removed will expose the connection between the grounding electrode conductor (usually a copper wire) and the grounding electrode (usually a 20' piece of rebar sticking up out of the concrete footing). If this is not the case, the situation should probably be remedied. In some cases the grounding electrode is a copper wire in the concrete footing that extends all the way to the panel. Some older homes do not have this type of "ufer" ground.

While you may want to install individual grounding systems, it is important to remember that the National Electrical Code requires that they must all be bonded together at some point. All metal systems are also required to be bonded to this system. This includes water pipes, gas pipes, and metal structures. If they are not bonded together you can read a potential difference between systems with a volt meter even though they are grounded to the same earth. This can cause all kinds of trouble and possible hazards.

One thing I've done before is to use a roto-hammer drill to drill a hole through the concrete sidewalk. Then you can drive a ground rod through this hole into the ground. If you want to see only the wire coming up out of the concrete after it's patched, you can use an Erico Cadweld "One Shot" to weld the wire to the ground rod. This would probably have to be special ordered from an electrical supplier. Do yourself a favor though. Spend a little extra money and buy a 5/8th" or better yet a 3/4" ground rod. Sometimes a 1/2" ground rod will bend when you hit a hard spot. If you're lucky enough to get past the hard spot you'll probably never get that bent rod driven in, or back out. At times I've used a compressor, jackhammer, and a ground rod attachment to drive rods. This can be very difficult until you get a good technique down though. Usually I use my demolition hammer with a ground rod driver attachment. This is much faster and easier than a sledge hammer.

The way we add ufer grounds to homes that don't have them here is to dig a 20' trench 1' deep as close as possible to the footing. Drive a PVC stake into the trench about every 2' or so to tie your electrode to. I'd recommend running at least a #4 bare copper wire through the trench. Encase the wire with at least 3" of concrete on all sides.

Whether you use the ground rod, the ufer ground, or both, remember you must still tie them to the electrical system ground.

Jim Smith
KF6IEG/AG

1672. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69tuar$8kp@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181189

In article <885092363.283574283@dejanews.com>, <kd5bcu@qsl.net> wrote:
>Let me begin by saying that I am a no-code tech. Now, don't erect any
>stone monuments on top of my body for being what I am. I plan to tackle
>code and the general class question pool in the coming weeks. I'm not
>pro-code. I'm not anti-code. I just recently discovered that there WAS
>a code/no-code issue. I just want to cut through the bickering and
>complaining that everyone is doing and say that I would HATE to make
>contact with ANY of you on ANY freq. on ANY band. It seems for me that
>most of the folks posting in this thread are only looking for something
>to gripe about or someone to argue with. Of course, I expect to get my
>share of flame mail about this from both camps. That, I suppose, is
>unavoidable.

Hi BCU,
First, good luck in upgrading! Your efforts will be rewarded a thousand
times over - HF is pure magic.

It's too bad you stumbled across the .misc NG - it's not for the weak
of heart. Try the other rec.radio.amateur.* NGs, such as .antenna,
.homebrew, .space, .dx, .boatanchors, to read about other aspects of
the hobby. If you're interested in building and low power operation,
the e-list QRP-L is exceptional in content. There are e-lists running
that cover all aspects and modes (including ATV, RTTY, Moonbounce [called
"EME" these days], meteor scatter, public service, 160m, towers).

If you choose to read only .misc, at least you'll realize that hams
are quite vocal in their convictions - it would be very bad for the
hobby if that weren't the case.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1673. Re: He said the word "p____" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69tv3d$8vs@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181190

Burp wrote:

> The message written below is indictive of the ham mentality that reduced
> exam requirements have brought on. Of course there are many exceptions but
> those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
> Burt

> -----Original Message-----
> From: KB9OCE <KB9OCE@AOL.COM>
> To: HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR <HAM-L@VM.EGE.EDU.TR>
> Date: Saturday, January 17, 1998 5:42 PM
> Subject: Re: ACL foxhunt report for January 10, 1998
>
>>Burt uses his call sign for identification? I'll bet he uses his p____
>>to identify himself as a man too. Hey Burt....even Michael Jackson has
>>one.

Looks to me like he said it on an email list, Burp. I'm surprised
you don't know the difference between radio and email. And now you're
guilty of using the word on a NG, which has a MUCH greater audience
than the ham-l email list.

Are you still attending the AA meetings?

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1674. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: slmyw@cc.usu.edu
Message-ID: <Rj8fncxxNDiu@cc.usu.edu>
Source record: 181191
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <34C1E8F5.260D@pacbell.net>, Ed Price <edprice@pacbell.net> writes:
> Roger wrote:
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>> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>> <snippity do dah>
>> > As a practical matter, if you key up a 2 meter transceiver from an
>> > airplane in flight you had better be on simplex because you will bring
>> > up every repeater on your frequency for miles around.
>>
>> Which will be the least of your problems if you are on a commercial
>> flight. Probably everyone here knows this, but the use of a radio
>> transmitter or receiver aboard an aircraft is forbidden unless
>> permission from the pilot is obtained.
>> 73,
>> Roger
>> //
>> Opinions are a dime a dozen,
>> but facts are priceless.
>> //
>
> And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> directive in place which already says "No."
>
> Ed
> WB6WSN

And besides that, there's that pesky FCC that says you can't do it at all.

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Travis Hayes - slmyw@cc.usu.edu

1675. SSB damage radar??? Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "T.O. Galloway" <tgall@erols.com>
Message-ID: <34C2A4A7.62E185FD@erols.com>
Source record: 181192

The setup:
On a sailboat the back stay is split and insulated being used as the SSB antenna with a tunner. 100 watt unit.
About 6 to 8 feet away is marine radar unit. The radar dome being at about the same level as the bottom of the SSB antenna.

The question:
If the radar is on and running, will transmitting on the SSB damage the radar unit? An electronics company that installs these units advises a friend of mine against this setup and wants to put the radar in a different (more difficult and more expensive for my friend) location. I have never even heard of such a precaution before.

Is there anybody out there with radar experience that can verify or deny this claim?

Thanks
T.O.
WB5SXC

1676. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69tvq7$9do@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181193
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
>unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
>beep on CW than to speak on SSB.)

You've got that a bit backwards, Brian. It took the invention of the
triode tube (~1919) for CW (continuous wave transmission) to come
about, yet SSB was being experimented with over the telephone lines as
early as 1915.

Jeff KH2PZ

1677. MFJ-1026

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: KF6IEG <jimsmit@ns.net>
Message-ID: <69ub8bebn3@aurora.ns.net>
Source record: 181194

Does anyone have any experience with the new MFJ-1026 or comparable item made by any other manufacturer? I'm looking for opinions regarding their effectiveness.
What would you call this item, an electrical director?
Jim Smith

1678. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C2BCBB.D754057@flash.net>
Source record: 181195
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Travis Hayes wrote:

> >
> > And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> > since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> > directive in place which already says "No."
> >
> > Ed
> > WB6WSN
>
> And besides that, there's that pesky FCC that says you can't do it at all.

What FCC regulation says I can't transmit from an aircraft or other at 30,000 ft?

1679. Re: Heath Site lot'o pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <69uiac$g58@mtinsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181196

Here's another Heath site. The Heathkit Virtual Museum.

http://www.cyberventure.com/heathkit/default.html

Glenn AA5PK

> Check out the Heathkit Site http://home.earthlink.net/~docky
> 73 Gary K0IMJ

1680. 146.520/52.525Mhz...H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark.keefer@privates.org
Message-ID: <2113143834-980118104700@privates.org>
Source record: 181197

RE: 146.520/52.525Mhz...H
BY: M JOHNSON <SILVERSQ@IX.NE to ALL on Mon Jan 12 1998 12:44 pm

> Path: inet-serv.com!chippy.visi.com!news-out.visi.com!ix.netcom.com!news
> From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <34be00bc.5754244@news.mindspring.com> <19980111174101.MAA23421@
> ladder01.news.aol.com> <34B900D5.809BBC4F@flash.net>
>
> Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> > The answer was stated very eloquently by someone before, so with credit
> > given,
> > I'll repeat it. The reason 146.52 doesn't work well for highway travel is
> > that
> > unless the guy is traveling in the same direction as you your QSO time is
> > limited.
> > Think about two cars at 60 mph in opposite directions at the point they
> > pass, they
> > will be 10 miles apart in 5 minutes, probably into the noise if both are
> > running
> > simple antennas. Even worse in the mountains. Tune in 146.52 when you hit
> > heavy
> > traffic, you'll find alot of activity then.
> >
>
> Most of the "fun" in using simplex on two meters is seeing just how far you
> can talk. Its a lot more fun to make contact with someone who is on the
> other
> side of town (10-15 miles) than use the all reaching repeater that is sittin
> on top of a 9000 foot mountain and can get a full quiet signal from anything
> within 200 miles. It is also good preparation for possible emergencies wher
> you may need to have an idea of where good radio locations would be for
> setting up vhf relay or control points.
>
> 73s
> Mark
> WA0DCA
>
>
I recall having a great QSO with a fellow HAM for about 2hours on the
Pennsylvania Turn Pike heading west, around the Allegany Mountains he left the
Turn Pike and I continued West and we were able to maintain communications with
an area repeater, I believe we lost contact after I went into the first or

second Tunnel. It really made the trip enjoyable and time pass.

But getting a simplex QSO to last that long on a trip is not the norm.
Here is a tip that I have heard some people use. When going on a trip,
make up a small sign for in the back window with your call and 146.520, and
have your rig set to monitor that Freq or have it as a Call freq so you can go
elsewhere, but still have the rig monitoring that as priority freq.

If any HAMs get behind you with 2 meters, you may get a QSO. :)

Good luck
73 Mark, N3JNC
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* Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178

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* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *

1681. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: keithw@SKIPTHESPAM.bctv.com
Message-ID: <6Njw0wUN3bFZ091yn@SKIPTHESPAM.bctv.com>
Source record: 181198

In article <69t1u6gsp1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

[There are currently ~175k codeless techs. New codeless techs are entering
[at the rate of about 800/mo, or 9,600 per year. Over the next 10 years,
[that means we can expect about another 100K codeless techs, bringing their
[numbers up to ~275K, or roughly 27% of the total ham population.

Your numbers don't work without working a couple of other percentages:

1) nocode Techs upgrade rate
2) Death rate of G, A and E licensees vs NCT

If a lot of G, A and E types die off and are not replaced by Techs
upgrading, then the whole equation will skew toward Techs.

Considering the number of appliance operator Extras I have known who
looked down on my Tech license over the last 17 years, who were
absolutely incompetent with a soldering gun (Hi, Alan!) and who
couldn't pass emergency traffic even when lives depended on it, I just
can't help but wonder how much nicer it would be if the ARRL had just
given up the stupid "incentive licensing" scheme in the first place!

1682. Re: Digital modes in Novice subbands? Why?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34c27a33.30416619@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181199

On 18 Jan 1998 18:33:58 GMT, au@ix.netcom.com(au) wrote:

>I've heard 40 meter packet stations take over the bottom 5-10 khz of
>the 40 meter Novice subband lately. Now after tuning through the
>80 band, there is a loud (in Oregon anyway) new mode on 3700 which
>is dead center of the subband. The Novices only have 50 khz to begin
>with on each of these bands. Has it become common practice to operate
>within the Novice bands?
>
>George
>N7BUI

Hi George
It is not me but I thought the 80 meter novice subband was from 3700
to 3750?
As far as I am aware of, we Canadians respect the u.s. novices by
keeping voice above 3750. I must admit, I have not been on 80 for
over 20 years so I could be embarassingly mistaken.
Larry ve3fxq

1683. Reduced price of ASAPS in the UK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Simon Collings <simon.collings@cableinet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <01bd23fd$fee59a00$179075c2@sapphire>
Source record: 181235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Reduced price of ASAPS in the UK

The internationally respected HF propagation prediction software ASAPS for Windows is now available in the UK at a reduced cost

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18/01/98 -- The internationally respected ASAPS for Windows HF propagation prediction software package from IPS Radio and Space Services is now available in the United Kingdom at a reduced cost. The reduction is the result of favourable exchange rate condistions which can be passed direct to the customer. Simon Collings, Radio Communications Consultant is exclusive UK distributor for this professional MS-Windows package.

The IPS Advanced Stand Alone Prediction System (ASAPS) allows the prediction of communications conditions in the HF radio spectrum. It is based on an ionospheric model developed by IPS Radio and Space Services of the Australian Department of Administrative Services, and CCIR models (CCIR reports 322, 894 and supplement to report 252-2).

For more details of the package, visit:

http://wkweb4.cableinet.co.uk/simon.collings/prod09.htm

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Simon Collings, G4SGI
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http://wkweb4.cableinet.co.uk/simon.collings

1684. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Price <edprice@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <34C1E8F5.260D@pacbell.net>
Source record: 181236
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Roger wrote:
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> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> <snippity do dah>
> > As a practical matter, if you key up a 2 meter transceiver from an
> > airplane in flight you had better be on simplex because you will bring
> > up every repeater on your frequency for miles around.
>
> Which will be the least of your problems if you are on a commercial
> flight. Probably everyone here knows this, but the use of a radio
> transmitter or receiver aboard an aircraft is forbidden unless
> permission from the pilot is obtained.
> 73,
> Roger
> //
> Opinions are a dime a dozen,
> but facts are priceless.
> //

And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
directive in place which already says "No."

Ed
WB6WSN

1685. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "George J. Molnar" <George@Molnar.com>
Message-ID: <34C1F3AC.D9922B9E@Molnar.com>
Source record: 181237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
> aircraft under normal circumstances.

The same answer as on the ground - "line of sight" (for RF, a percentage over the optical line of sight due to refraction). Greater distances are possible (as on the ground) when propagation conditions permit (sporadic E, F2, etc.). Line of sight distances can be calculated using ordinary mathematics.

Also, remember that transmitting from aircraft is subject to many rules, depending on your location and the type of aircraft (example: all transmissions from US commercial craft are prohibited).

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George J. Molnar (KF2T)
Lebanon, New Hampshire
http://www.cyberportal.net/gmolnar/index.html

1686. help mcmicro

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "kevin.kelsall" <kevin.kelsall@virgin.net>
Message-ID: <01bd240d$1fc01a20$LocalHost@default>
Source record: 181238

wanted softwer for the mcmicro uhf 2ch mobile (not the m110 model) that
sofwer dos not work on them
i have 3 of them and i have had them for 3yrs and have not got them
working.
cheers kev
kevin.kelsall@virgin.net

1687. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34C2089E.4E235687@shore.net>
Source record: 181239

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Ham = Ham meat
>
> Spam = Spam meat
>
> whatelse...
>
> Don't worry and eat it please.

A fool and his words are soon parted.

Did I say that?
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j:) -=wk1v=-

Place your hand on a hot iron for a minute and it feels like an hour. Sit next to a pretty girl for an hour and it seems like a minute. Now that's relativity! -- Albert Einstein

1688. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34C2099B.AEF4032B@shore.net>
Source record: 181240
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Tim Hynde wrote:

> Pilot to co-pilot...Hey, what are all those mountain goats doing up here in
> the clouds?

Pilot to Controller: "Tower that last altimeter you gave me put me ten feet
under the runway!"
Controller: "Roger, up periscope; turn left next taxiway."
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j:) -=wk1v=-

1689. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118141401.JAA14526@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181241

In article <34C0EC82.C5331878@ibm.net>, "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
writes:

>Mikey is right about this. This is precisely why the FCC
recently pre-empted
>all contractual restrictions against TV
antennas, i.e. CC&Rs. It was an
>anti-monopoly rationale.
Too bad this preemption doesn't include radio
>amateurs.

Actually, it can, if used creatively. A 2m/70cm beam would look suspiciously like a TV antenna to an untrained eye except that...gosh darn it, look at that...the fool made a mistake and mounted his TV antenna vertically! ;-)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1690. PROOF that upgrading amateurs do not want to mess with Morse (was: Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118141401.JAA05286@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181242

In article <69qq73$253$1@news3.texas.net>, oak@texas.net (K7RMJ) writes:

>Total licensed hams: 719,341

Gonna be tough to make 1,000,000 by 2008, as our friend Deegie Howser claims...but that's another soapbox.

>This total is only 1.1% increased over last
>year at
>the same time. The net increase is only 7582
>over December 1,
>1996.

Okay. A small increase overall. But let's look at the breakdown of coded vs no-code tickets, shall we?

>Of the total, here's the breakdown by license class.
>Extra: 75,694
>an increase of 2176 which represents
an increase of 2.9%. The percent of
>all hams that
are Extra is now 10.5%, up from 10.3%.

This would make sense. There will always be a group of people who want "the best", regardless of whether it's something of necessity or not. They are achievers who will do whatever it takes, relevence nonwithstanding, to get to the top. Single people buy Cadillac DeVilles and Range Rovers because "they can." Makes them feel a sense of accomplishment. Nothing wrong with that.

>Advanced: 112,482 a
>decrease of 1922 which represents
>a decrease of 1.7%. The percent of all
>hams that
>are Advanced is now 15.6%, down from 16.1%.

That's 1/5 "coded" classes that shows a decrease. The number of new Advanced hams is less than the number who have become silent keys and left the hobby.

>General: 124,415 a
>decrease of 2299 which represents
a decrease of 1.8%. The percent of all
>hams that
are General is now 17.3%, down from 17.8%.

That's 2/5 "coded" classes that shows a decrease. Ditto my comments for Advanced class, above.

Tech Plus: 147,559 a
>decrease of 782 which represents
a decrease of 0.5%. The percent of all
>hams that
>are Tech Plus is now 20.5%, down from 20.8%.

Make that 3/5 "coded" classes that shows a decrease.

>Tech: 179,226 an
>increase of 18,636 which represents
a increase of 10.4%. The percent of all
>hams that
are Techs is now 24.9%, up from 22.6%.

Wow! A whopping 10+% increase in a year, and now comprising the largest class of amateur operator with 1 in 4 hams being a no-code Tech.

>Novice: 79,965 a
>decrease of 7582 which represents
a decrease of 10.3%. The percent of all
>hams that
are Novice is now 11.1%, down from 12.4%.

4/5 "coded" licenses showing a decrease.

Thanks, Frank. You have helped me prove my point. 80% of the coded classes of license show a DECREASE. All others except the top license class show a DECREASE in the number of licensees. On the other hand, the codeless license has increased it's numbers by 10.4% in a year! The ONLY other license class to increase, Extra, is up a mere 2.9%.

What does this tell you about Morse code and it's acceptance by today's amateurs?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1691. Re: Response to HAM acronym

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118141400.JAA14527@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181243

In article <34C0EAA7.6536@earthlink.net>, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
writes:

>Highly Advanced Mammal

Heavenly AND Modest

Hero and Martyr (for trying to
>educate CB Rambo on the Internet)

Have Already Mastered (what you will never
>know)

You forgot the "bated" on the end of the last acronym.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1692. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69t1u6gsp1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181244

In article <19980118034100.WAA14331@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>>If things continue at their current pace, there will be almost 1,000,000
>>licensed amateurs in 2008 (if we linearly extrapolate current annual
>>growth of 30k amateurs for 10 years).
>
>What Deegie Howser conveniently leaves out of this equation, however, is that
>at the going rate, about 999,000 of them will be no-code Technicians.

Err, no, Spew (for people wondering, this comment quoted above is exactly
the reason Durigan was coined with the nickname 'Spew' -- he just throws
totally inaccurate or irrelevant comments around -- sort of like the time
he called all Mexicans 'lazy').

There are currently ~175k codeless techs. New codeless techs are entering
at the rate of about 800/mo, or 9,600 per year. Over the next 10 years,
that means we can expect about another 100K codeless techs, bringing their
numbers up to ~275K, or roughly 27% of the total ham population.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1693. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <69t21dgtq1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
>unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
>beep on CW than to speak on SSB.)

CW as an operating mode on amateur frequencies is only a few years older (<5)
than SSB. Thus, your claim is invalidated.

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--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1694. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris Watts <C.J.Watts@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <69t5vd$16o$1@uranium.btinternet.com>
Source record: 181246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote in message <34c0b183.3443402@news.total.net>...
>Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??
>
>Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)
>

No if your in the UK the they will just arrest you and take all your equipment
away for breach of the Radiocomunications act and in the US I'm sure that they will see it as a breach of your licence as well.

Now why can't they just take the computers away from spammers on the internet!

Chris Watts (G7PVL)

1695. WTB: Air Variable Capacitor

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: THEHOSSMAN <THEHOSSMAN@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2426$525e2260$1d0b73cf@default>
Source record: 181247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I'm looking for a (NOS) 10-210pf air variable capacitor, standard shaft.

Please contact me at: thehossman@hotmail.com

1696. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34C22044.7FA22EE2@shore.net>
Source record: 181248

Sec. 91.21 Portable electronic devices.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no person may operate, nor may any operator or pilot in command of an aircraft allow the operation of, any portable electronic device on any of the following U.S.- registered civil aircraft:
(1) Aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier operating certificate or an operating certificate; or
(2) Any other aircraft while it is operated under IFR.
(b) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to--
(1) Portable voice recorders;
(2) Hearing aids;
(3) Heart pacemakers;
(4) Electric shavers; or
(5) Any other portable electronic device that the operator of the aircraft has determined will not cause interference with the navigation or communication system of the aircraft on which it is to be used.
(c) In the case of an aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier operating certificate or an operating certificate, the determination required by paragraph (b)(5) of this section shall be made by that operator of the aircraft on which the particular device is to be used. In the case of other aircraft, the determination may be made by the pilot in command or other operator of the aircraft.
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j:) -=wk1v=-
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, EC
Class of 1984

1697. Re: New Yaesu Warranty Policy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34C221E5.FF288F92@shore.net>
Source record: 181249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

The IC-2710 is a very nice radio. Just got one myself. Wish it
received above 480 MHz though.

Do you have the ability to scan the letter and email me a copy?

Jim Cluett wrote:

> Yaesu has a new warranty policy. They will be pay shipping both
> ways for warranty service. Previously, you had to pay to ship to
> them; they would pay to return it to you.
>
> Yaesu management hasn't told its customers about the policy. They
> didn't even tell their customer service people.
>
> Mr. Mikio Maruya, vice president of Yaesu, confirmed the policy
> to me in a letter of January 7, 1998. "Please be advised that yes
> it is true, we did change our policy. In the U.S. when customers
> purchase our radios and if the radio does not work properly then
> of course we will reimburse shipping charges; (UPS/ground or
> regular parcel post only)!"
>
> This policy has actually been in place since last July. I was
> told about it by the president of the company.
>
> But when I called to send my FT-8100 back for service the second
> time, the customer service people told me they didn't know
> anything about it. So I wrote Mr. Maruya to confirm that it was
> in place.
>
> If you need a copy of these two letters, drop me a note. I'll
> send you a photocopy.
>
> My Ft-8100 had so many problems I asked them to replace the
> radio. They declined and I have since purchased an Icom 2710
> which has been flawless so far.
>
> Jim, W1PID

--
jim :) -=wk1v=-

1698. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C224CC.1A70@ibm.net>
Source record: 181250
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:
> ... and took the exam and
> passed my advanced near boarder line... it was much difficult.

Using pro-code-test logic, I could say, It's not difficult at
all. I passed it without studying. You must be lazy. If I can
do it, anybody can do it (just like passing the MENSA exam) :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1699. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C226AE.24AB@ibm.net>
Source record: 181251
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Tim Hynde wrote:
> In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
> studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.

Hi Tim, knowing that he's learning English, it's pretty easy to figure out what he meant. He, most likely, didn't mean 20% but instead, meant 20 characters. Then everything else makes sense. Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how about trying to understand what he meant?

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1700. DX on the Web

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: k2cd@warwick_dot_net
Message-ID: <34c329c8.10847060@news.warwick.net>
Source record: 181252

If you find conditions a little on the fickle side, I invite you to drop by K2CD's DX web site. Peruse the OTer & QRPer stories by Paul Dunphy, VE1DX, and Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD. Browse through the West Coast DX Bulletin Archives (Classic DX news from the '60s), DX links, Chat, DXpedition info, DXclusters, Pictures and lots more.

http://www.geocities.com/~k2cd

73 es DX,
C. "Mike" D'Alto, K2CD
http://www.geocities.com/~k2cd
http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/1641
When replying via e-mail, please substitute a decimal for the _dot_ in my address.
k2cd@warwick_dot_net

1701. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <69tat4$3hg$1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 181253

In article <01bd22d9$91da6aa0$051871ce@default>, "DANO" <kimo9@idt.net> wrote:
>WOW!!!!!!!!! I GOT INTELLIGANT ANSWERS TO A QUESTION MEANT TO STIR UP THE
>SARCASTIC..
> i guess their is hope for us on this planet after all.. Dano
>
>

---------- Geee ------ And I tought it was related to Hiram of origins of
AR in shortened form.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

1702. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34c230af.5750839@news>
Source record: 181254
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 15:02:43 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>Hi.
>
>
>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>aircraft under normal circumstances.

>Thanks.

Trolling again, dumbass?

--
Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, remove the
xyz from my address.

1703. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C2293A.6AF9@icss.net>
Source record: 181255
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>
> >(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
> >unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
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>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

Mike,
OOK put the pony express out of business. Your opinion is invalid, but
I guess thats just too damn bad for me.
Brian/N0iMD

1704. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c23b45.13170747@news.total.net>
Source record: 181256
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On 18 Jan 1998 01:25:56 GMT, n2ey@aol.com (N2EY) wrote:

>>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>>aircraft under normal circumstances.
>>
>>Thanks.

>The trigonometry of this isn't too hard, but let's not reinvent the wheel.
>First, some definitions:
>
>Let
>
>R = radius of the earth
>h = height of the antenna above the earth's surface
>D = path length to the horizon
>
>(all dimensions in the same units)
>
>Then (please excuse limitations of this format - * means multiplication, sqrt
>means square root)
>
>D = sqrt ((h * h) + (2 * R * h))

(...)

Thanks for your valuable tip.

>DO NOT ATTEMPT TO OPERATE ANY RADIO EQUIPMENT ON ANY AIRCRAFT WITHOUT THE
>KNOWLEDGE AND WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE AIRCRAFT OWNER AND CREW. THIS INCLUDES
>RECEIVERS.

>but it's not worth the risk! I have had to personally stop fellow passengers on
>commercial airliners from using their personal cell phones - even after they
>were warned by the cabin attendants to turn off all radios. This is one kind of
>publicity ham radio does NOT need!

the next to smoke detector in the bathroom is radio detector ??

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1705. Re: BBC World Service winter freq's on-line?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Wayn <kwchan@tm.net.my>
Message-ID: <01bd24fe$8218d300$cb29bcca@chan>
Source record: 181257

Please try:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/

regards

-weng-

Douggie Doust <groveti@bigfoot.com> wrote in article
<B0E3FA7B9668178BCB@0.0.0.0>...
> Lost my BBC magazine here in Japan.
>
> Is there an on-line site for winter frequencies? an FAQ?
>
> Maybe even e-mail addresses for Bush House, etc?
>
> Thanks
>
> DD
>
>
>

1706. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com
Message-ID: <69te8b$8ue$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 181258

On 1998/01/17 CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>It won't matter because, if things continue at their present pace, there will
>be no amateur radio to speak of in 2008.
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

It figures.

My ISP's news server is down for two days, and when it finally starts receiving again, guess what's at the top of the list?

I think I'll keep the above as a reference for the year 2008. I"ll put it right next to the one from Bill Gates that reads, "640k ought to be enough for anybody."

Big, dumb gorillas are easy to tease when they're in a cage and there's a pit between the two of you...just watch that you don't slip on any banana peels they throw out. (I'll let you think about that one.)
--
To e-mail me, remove the SPAMFREE from my address.
Tom - N8ECW

1707. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c23c53.13441101@news.total.net>
Source record: 181259
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 08:58:38 -0700, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>> In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
>> studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.

>Hi Tim, knowing that he's learning English, it's pretty easy to
>figure out what he meant. He, most likely, didn't mean 20% but
>instead, meant 20 characters. Then everything else makes sense.
>Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how
>about trying to understand what he meant?

I meant 20%. I had kinda idea of dahs and dits by seeing CW chart
prior to the test day (I knew numbers and simple alphabet something
like . = E, - = T), but I didn't practise anything.

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1708. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C23D45.9770B3ED@flash.net>
Source record: 181260
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:

> Tim Hynde wrote:
> > In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
> > studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.
>
> Hi Tim, knowing that he's learning English, it's pretty easy to
> figure out what he meant.

Well, if you can figure out what he means then hats off to you OM.

> He, most likely, didn't mean 20% but
> instead, meant 20 characters. Then everything else makes sense.
> Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how
> about trying to understand what he meant?

Gee Cecil, I didn't know the % sign had a different meaning in Japanese or English, perhaps his math skills aren't so hot either. But since your here to help translate Masa's posts perhaps you could explain some of his other posts for us, so that we might all understand him better. Like how you convert an HT so you can talk to the police on their frequencys and thank them for doing a good job, tell us what he really meant by that Carl, and tell us what he meant by having your ISP cancelled if you 'spams' on packet radio, make the connection for us on that one.

As far as his morse post, whether he meant 20 characters, 20%, or 20 wpm, it doesnt matter. I still think he's full of shit, you've been at this a while Carl, how many have you seen study morse START TO FINISH in 1 DAY and pass an exam?

Tim

1709. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c23da9.13783393@news.total.net>
Source record: 181261
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 12:35:02 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>As far as his morse post, whether he meant 20 characters, 20%, or 20 wpm,
>it doesnt matter. I still think he's full of shit, you've been at this a
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I didn't take any courses for my basic, my advanced, my CW and my
commercial licenses.
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cool huh ? I am sure not many people did/will do the same thing. so
what ??

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1710. cell mod for VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: ktm3000@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118174101.MAA09970@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181262

Hey! Any Cell mods for the cute little VX-1R?

thanx

1711. Ya Gotta Love the Internet. No STEENKIN' CODE or LICENSE required!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118174601.MAA01510@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181263

In article <34BF94F6.5592AA03@primary.net>, "Joseph M. Jones"
<jjones76@primary.net> writes:

>First let me appolagize for butting in on a discussion that I probalby have
>no
bussiness getting in to.
I myself have yet to get my licence, but one day
>I hope to get it(when I get
the time to study for it).

Hi Joseph,

No apology necessary. You have every right to get involved in this discussion. Despite what some of the characters on here would have you believe, no license, examination, or Morse code knowledge is required in order to use the Internet.

BTW, this irritates them to no end. They believe that proficiency in the use of a slide-rule should be requried in order to use a computer, much as Morse knowledge is required for amateur radio operations below 30Mhz.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
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1712. You Lose Again, Deegie (was: Re: Vanity Callsigns)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118175601.MAA12161@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181264

In article <69t1u6gsp1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>n article <19980118034100.WAA14331@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
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>Durigan was coined with the nickname 'Spew' -- he just throws
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he called
>all Mexicans 'lazy').

Jealous because you can't come up with anything original, Deegie? All you can do is parrot your buddies on here and their ASSumptions of whom I might be. Don't know what you're talking about re: "lazy Mexicans", but YOU most certainly are. Can't even come to your own conclusions or interject anything of an original nature into a debate or argument.

You lose again, Deegie.

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1713. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c23ecb.14073626@news.total.net>
Source record: 181265
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 17:38:12 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

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>cool huh ? I am sure not many people did/will do the same thing. so
>what ??

what I was trying to say: many people take one month to learn morse
and if I can do it in one day, why should I get bramed ?? why
should I get bramed if I can complete my advanced in three days ?
I am sorry, but I am as slow as you are.

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1714. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C241BB.18024691@flash.net>
Source record: 181266
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 08:58:38 -0700, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
> >> In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
> >> studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.
>
> >Hi Tim, knowing that he's learning English, it's pretty easy to
> >figure out what he meant. He, most likely, didn't mean 20% but
> >instead, meant 20 characters. Then everything else makes sense.
> >Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how
> >about trying to understand what he meant?
>
> I meant 20%. I had kinda idea of dahs and dits by seeing CW chart
> prior to the test day (I knew numbers and simple alphabet something
> like . = E, - = T), but I didn't practise anything.

Yep, me too, I sorta knew a dash was a long sound and a dit was a short sound, or was it the other way around? Someone said they put these in a pattern and make letters and numbers, so I looked at the chart and then I could copy 5 wpm. Then I laid my head on an issue of the Radio Amateurs Handbook and through osmosis picked up everything I needed to pass the General, of course it took me until the following afternoon to build my code speed to 13 wpm. I also have several pieces of land which I am willing to sell for a very attractive price, I have two properties in southern Florida and one bridge in the the New York metropolitan area.

Tim, ka8ddz

1715. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C24488.E35@ibm.net>
Source record: 181267
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Tim Hynde wrote:
> ... tell us what he really meant by that Carl, ...
> ... you've been at this a while Carl, ...

Tim, some people, including me, may be confused and may I
suggest, since my name is Cecil, so are you. :-)

73, Cecil, W6RCA

1716. Digital modes in Novice subbands? Why?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: au@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <69thum$ceh@sjx-ixn4.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181268

I've heard 40 meter packet stations take over the bottom 5-10 khz of
the 40 meter Novice subband lately. Now after tuning through the
80 band, there is a loud (in Oregon anyway) new mode on 3700 which
is dead center of the subband. The Novices only have 50 khz to begin
with on each of these bands. Has it become common practice to operate
within the Novice bands?

George
N7BUI

1717. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C2474F.417E42BC@flash.net>
Source record: 181269
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:

> Tim Hynde wrote:
> > ... tell us what he really meant by that Carl, ...
> > ... you've been at this a while Carl, ...
>
> Tim, some people, including me, may be confused and may I
> suggest, since my name is Cecil, so are you. :-)
>

Yep I guess so, I managed to transpose your name with another while responding to your post. But "Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how about trying to understand what" I meant? :)

Tim, ka8ddz

1718. Re: cutie boy <sorry>faggot boy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34c249a0.72942877@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181270
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 17:33:37 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

why don't you show your email address faggot?
OH I am sorry, I forgot, racists don't do that

1719. Thank you !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c24ebf.18158361@news.total.net>
Source record: 181271
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur

I would like to thank all responses to "Transmit from 30000ft high !!"

I made a up a chart based on the posting based on "Reference to Radio
Engineers" (Coutesy of N2EY)

It's at http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ref.pdf

Enjoy !!

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1720. Transverting with a Kenwood TS 450 ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: gilly@camtech.net.au
Message-ID: <34c1dfd6.50653415@news.camtech.net.au>
Source record: 181272
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Hi to all on the News Group !

My old TS 180 (and apparently a lot of other transceivers)
have a connection for interfacing a transverter.

I cant see any reference in my manual for such
an interface on my TS 450.

Can anyone enlighten me ?

Thanks Alan VK5BWG
Alan gilly@camtech.net.au

1721. Icom Desk Charger +

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kj2d@voicenet.com
Message-ID: <885149583.1960574977@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181273

I have an Icom BC-30 desk charger, Icom DC converter for an Icom handheld 2meter transceiver, Icom CP1, one large 2 meter rubber duck, one stubby 2meter rubber duck and one long 2meter telescoping whip E-mail me at kj2d@voicenet.com or visit my school radio page http://www.voicenet.com/~kj2d/ in Hamilton Square near Trenton, NJ... 73 Ric

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1722. DC and RF Grounding Problem--Severe RFI

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "James F. Chumbley" <chumbley@sj.bigger.net>
Message-ID: <69tnp9$c0r@masters0.InterNex.Net>
Source record: 181274

I have a grounding problem on which I would like a little advice. I cannot get a decent ground. My house is of typical California concrete-slab-on-ground construction and is 1 story high. The reinforcing bars (rebar) in the concrete are not accessible. The only utility or service lines under or in the slab are non-conductive PVC sewer lines.
Water lines are run overhead through the attic. They are copper. Where needed, water line drops are fed down through the walls to the laundry and hot water heater in the garage, the two bathrooms, the kitchen, and the outlet/faucet for the back yard. None of these come within 2 feet of the ground. All lawn sprinkler runs are non-conductive PVC piping. The water supply line from the city water service high-pressure line is rubber hose, really--very strong and buried deeply--but still rubber. (It never gets cold enough to freeze, so flexible rubber is better, since we have earthquakes here.)
The exterior of the house is stucco, and it has the stucco applied over a chicken-wire type of structure. It would be possible to chip away some of the stucco to connect the system ground to the chicken wire.
The AC electrical wiring is three-conductor copper, No. 10 AWG, I believe. It is not aluminum. It is routed primarily overhead through the attic with drops to the outlets in the rooms, although some of the room outlets may be paralleled across short horizontal runs through the walls.
The actual soil on which the house is built was once an orchard. Driving a grounding rod into the soil in a reasonable location would be very difficult because of the way concrete sidewalks have been poured, but it would not be impossible. The length of the run of heavy, braided conductor to such a rod would be about 9 ft. (3 ft. from the rig to the floor, about 6 in. through the wall, and another 5 1/2 ft. over to where the rod would be.)
The TV to and inside the house is cable, run in RG-59U coax, overhead and through the walls. There is no external TV antenna or satellite dish. I am pretty sure that the braid from this coax is not connected to the house electrical system's ground wire. The TVs and VCRs have two-conductor power cords. None of them is grounded. Each does have a place where an RF ground might be able to be connected (either a ground terminal or spare input/output jacks).
Station power here is 500 W. output through about 50 feet of RG-8U coax to a Gap Titan DX mounted with its base about 18 feet up. The antenna is mounted on a steel pole. This mast is not well-grounded, although it does go into the ground a little way. I do not yet have a low-pass filter installed, but tomorrow I am ordering one, which is rated as -100db suppression at 40MHz.
The area, San Jose, California, is a very RF-noisy environment with lots of possibilities for intermodulation product generation.
The primary cause of the RFI seems to be feedback through the AC electrical wiring rather than TV front-end overload. I have put line

filters from Radio Shack on the electrical sockets where the rig itself and each of the TVs is plugged. This resulted in noticeable improvement, but it did not completely eliminate the problem. Radio Shack rates the line filters as UP TO 35db, 100KHz to 100MHz. I would have preferred it to be rated as "at least."

Because of the RFI, I've been off the air except occasionally late at night. I am considering trying these additional things:

1. Finding better AC line filters and plugging the rig's and TV's power cords into them.
2. Running a heavy, braided copper ground buss from the rig's ground connectors to the bare copper ground wire of the house's electrical system. Electronics manufacturers here in this area successfully use this method for making ESD-grounded workstations.
3. Doing the same thing for the TVs. Most of them don't have a dedicated ground terminal, so one would have to be rigged on some of the spare jacks.
4. Running a ground buss UP, rather than down, and attaching it to the (unfortunately isolated) house copper water pipes.

If you have solved a problem like this one, or if you have any recommendations, I would appreciate hearing from you, especially if you have any thoughts in these three areas:

1. Suppliers of AC line filters
2. Achieving a good DC earth ground on this property.
3. Achieving a good RF ground on this property.

Many Thanks,

Jim Chumbley, N6UF

Confederate Signal Corps

Regards,

Jim Chumbley

Amateur Radio Station N6UF

Confederate Signal Corps

1723. # F.S. Mirage/KLM 300 Watt 2 Meter Amp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5dxr@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118204300.PAA27439@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181275

Model B-1030G. Very low usage. 10 in gets 300 out. All mode w/preamp. Needs 50 amp power supply for full output. Cost $650 new. Asking $425 shipped. Email me if interested.

Mark - K5DXR

1724. Re: New Yaesu Warranty Policy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cluett@mv.mv.com
Message-ID: <69tpo6$lq8$1@pyrite.mv.net>
Source record: 181276
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Sorry. no scanner, but I'll send a photocopy. It's not very long.
73 Jim, W1PID

In article <34C221E5.FF288F92@shore.net>,
JJ Martin <Netscape, Navigator, 4.04> wrote:
>The IC-2710 is a very nice radio. Just got one myself. Wish it
>received above 480 MHz though.
>
>Do you have the ability to scan the letter and email me a copy?
>
>Jim Cluett wrote:
>
>> Yaesu has a new warranty policy. They will be pay shipping both
>> ways for warranty service. Previously, you had to pay to ship to
>> them; they would pay to return it to you.
>>
>> Yaesu management hasn't told its customers about the policy. They
>> didn't even tell their customer service people.
>>
>> Mr. Mikio Maruya, vice president of Yaesu, confirmed the policy
>> to me in a letter of January 7, 1998. "Please be advised that yes
>> it is true, we did change our policy. In the U.S. when customers
>> purchase our radios and if the radio does not work properly then
>> of course we will reimburse shipping charges; (UPS/ground or
>> regular parcel post only)!"
>>
>> This policy has actually been in place since last July. I was
>> told about it by the president of the company.
>>
>> But when I called to send my FT-8100 back for service the second
>> time, the customer service people told me they didn't know
>> anything about it. So I wrote Mr. Maruya to confirm that it was
>> in place.
>>
>> If you need a copy of these two letters, drop me a note. I'll
>> send you a photocopy.
>>
>> My Ft-8100 had so many problems I asked them to replace the
>> radio. They declined and I have since purchased an Icom 2710
>> which has been flawless so far.
>>
>> Jim, W1PID
>

>--
>jim :) -=wk1v=-
>
>

1725. Re: He said the word "penis" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net
Message-ID: <69tpjq$l1$1@news.ptialaska.net>
Source record: 181277

In article <69rja8$ogn@news-central.tiac.net>
"Burt" <burt@innocent.com> writes:

> those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
> Burt

You should never infer that my silence is equated with my acceptance or
backing.
To do so is a grave mistake and will in the end prove you wrong.

Bruce AL7AQ

1726. Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: nunkhead@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118212301.QAA03728@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181278

I am very shocked to come read this group this mornig and find nothing new on the Liberty Net. Before last night I had never listened to the Liberty net. I
am a 22 male and I have a HAM radio lisc so I figured that I would tune in and see what was going on. I was shocked to find probally some of the same type of folks that helped me get my lisc acting like they where on the CB radio. It was too much. I remember my interest in radio started at CB. It was the first thing I could find. Then after seeing people yelling, swearing, keying up music, noise makers, etc. ripping others antenna's off anothers roof because someone said something that someone didn't like. SO I decided to head for HAM radio and have not been too active due to the huge price tag that comes with HF broadcasting. I have always seen and heard Hams acting rather nice on the air and being very helpful. What i heard last night just plain pissed me off!!!!!!!!! Im sorry but I have NO other way to describe it.

It started off by hearing that this was a net like any other net on HAM radio a bunch of guys LEGALLY checking in to a net. Nothing wrong with that. Ok the subject matter is a little off and not very P.C. "pol. correct" So be it this is America and everyone has their opinion. SO i find no fault in the content of the net at all. I hate P.C to a point as well. If the Net offends you DON"T LISTEN or contact the FCC. The only checked in member that I could find fault with was the homophob that was logging in as a narrow minded dim wit, who had very little grey matter. Matter of fact this same man "which I forgot to get his call, but he was from out in the east coast". This was the only member of the net that I could hear from my listening post that was swearing and threatening another man that was speaking his opinion of this fellow VIC. This guy was like one of the CBers that I listened to when I was 15 years old. He had the attitude of a CBer. The attitude of Im Big and Bad and I'll come and Find you if you Piss me OFF! I kept hearing some threats from the net members as to a certain man that was pissing this VIC fellow off by say "he got his info from God". They were saying how they were going to find where this man lives bla bla bla!!!!!!!!!!!! What a joke! I know that the man was speaking his mind and NOT cheacking into the NET! and YES this is ILLEGAL but under the circumstances of who he was talking to I don't blame him. I find it funny that some of these guys on the net are acting like a bunch of scary thugs on 3950! Im a 22 year old ham and I throw up 405 on bench for a triple with no problem and seeing a bunch of Hams coming to my door with their Fat guts hanging out, their antenna farm cars and an HT glued to one ear is NOT MY IDEA OF BEING SCARED! I suggest that all the people on 3950 shut up or put up! Why don't all of you JAMMERS AND NET MEMBERS MEET and see just how Big Bad and SCARY you all are. If not why not just shut up and stop acting like your on Channel 21 For Christ Sakes. It really is sad because as we speak the HAM Bands are being taking from us everyday. These bands are worth a fortune to the FCC and the private sector. If the FCC and listening Public see the Bands

being used like this it is no wonder why we are Losing the bands! The Hobby is dieing and this is one of the reasons why. Everyone has the FREEDOM TO SPEAK their mind BUT BE ORGANIZED AND ACT like adults not like children on a CB!

My Thoughts A Concerned Ham of the 90's

1727. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69tfiq$k0@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181279

Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com> wrote:
>Not too long ago I saw a special
>on TLC/Discovery and a Chinese student
>smoked about five others in a calculation
>contest. He was armed with an abacus; they
>were armed with calculators. Neat.

Yes, we periodically have an abacus vs. calculator contest at
University of Hawaii, and the abacus users *always* win!

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW (who never allows his students to use anything
but pencil and paper; M@s@ had better never take any math class
from me)

1728. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Lee <willee@interconnect.net>
Message-ID: <69ttadmcc1@usenet76.supernews.com>
Source record: 181280
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

gambino wrote in message <34B892D7.931A4F87@yahoo.com>...
>Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
>Radio in general is stale because of these , pardon my jargon, Old Farts &
Know it
>alls.
>When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic
enthusiast &
>wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest
degree
>(still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
>I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other
"younger
>generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know
code, or say
>73's, etc...
>Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you
would think,
>every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people,
many of
>which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams,
simply
>because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was
constantly
>harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more
experienced"
>guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop.
Mind you, I
>was only 25.
>I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run
closed
>repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think
simply cuz
>I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the
same time I
>was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to
answer tech
>questions on related topics...
>It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know
everything & feel
>bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...
>I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area ,
Ca.), bunch
>of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are

all part
>of the same "old boys club"...
>Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own, but why
>work around assholes I can't stand?
>I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the salary, and
>I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still have ties
>to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I have a truck
>fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that doesn't make a
>better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these old
>assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or debate
>it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am willing to
>spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe me I
>learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share them..
>Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
>Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....
>You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
>It's alright dano, I'm on your side.
>
Damm sounds like another know it all.....

1729. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Richard F. Gillette" <r.f.gillette@ieee.org>
Message-ID: <34C2535A.BEE1EACE@ieee.org>
Source record: 181281
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FROM THE ARRL WEB PAGE

Ham: a poor operator. A 'plug.'"

That's the definition of the word given in G. M. Dodge's
The Telegraph Instructor even before radio. The definition has never
changed in wire telegraphy. The first wireless operators were landline
telegraphers who left their offices to go to sea or to man the coastal
stations. They brought with them their language and much of the
tradition of their older profession.

In those early days, spark was king and every station
occupied the same wavelength--or, more accurately perhaps, every station
occupied the whole spectrum with its broad spark signal. Government
stations, ships, coastal stations and the increasingly numerous amateur
operators all competed for time and signal supremacy in each other's
receivers. Many of the amateur stations were very powerful. Two
amateurs,
working across town, could effectively jam all the other operators in
the area. When this happened, frustrated commercial operators would call
the ship whose weaker signals had been blotted out by the amateurs and
say "SRI OM THOSE #&$!@ HAMS ARE JAMMING YOU."

Amateurs, possibly unfamiliar with the real meaning of the
term, picked it up and applied it to themselves in true "Yankee Doodle"
fashion and wore it with pride. As the years advanced, the original
meaning has completely disappeared.

633 wrote:
>
> Answer 3: Haven't Any Manners
>
> CBRambo wrote in message <19980116141901.JAA11310@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
> >Question: what does "HAM" stand for?
> >
> >
> >Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods
> >
> >Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
> >
> >
> >
> >"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

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Richard F. Gillette PE, W9PE, Board Member, Harper CC \\////
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1730. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #340

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org
Message-ID: <$opdx.340.1998@ampr.org>
Source record: 181282
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3DA, SWAZILAND. The "DX News Sheet" reports Jon, 3DA0CA, is now active on 160 meters, 2100-2200z for OC and JA, and 0245z for EU and NA, on 1827 kHz QSX up 5. QSL via W4DR.

4X50, ISRAEL. Look for this special 4X50 prefix with a /SK suffix to be used until May 1st to celebrate Israel's 50th anniversary.

7P8, LESOTHO. Reminder to look for Dave/ZS6RVG, Dick/ZS6CAL and Mark/ZS6HZ to be active from here between 22nd and 26th of January. Look for them in the normal DX windows signing their homecall/7P8. They state that they will be working SSTV and RTTY as much as possible, but the SSB DXers will also get a chance. For more details, check OPDX.332.

8Q7AA DXPEDITION UPDATE. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin containing the following message by Warren Hill, K7WX, called: "8Q7AA E-mail Feedback"

9G5, Ghana. Andy, G4ZVJ, will be active from here February 5th through March 1st, as 9G5VJ. Activity will be on all HF bands, mostly CW, including the ARRL DX CW Contest and possibly the WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via G4ZVJ (Direct or via Bureau). His direct address: Andy Chadwick, 5 Thorpe Chase, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 1UA, U.K. Andy states that he will accept Bureau requests via the InterNet: andy@g4zvj.demon.co.uk Also, visit his website: http://www.g4zvj.demon.co.uk

AX, AUSTRALIA (Special Prefix). To celebrate "Australia Day" on January 26th, the Australian amateurs will be permitted to use the prefix "AX" instead of VK for the period January 24-26th. The use of the "AX" prefix is optional.

C4, CYPRUS. A group of UA2s operators will be active from 5B4-land during CQWW 160M CW Contest, January 23-25th. Look for UA2FB, UA2FF and UA2FZ as a Multi/Single entry using the callsign C42A. QSL via DK4VW CBA (maildrop only), SASE please, cards then will be forwarded to UA2-land.

CO2, CUBA. Look for Winston, CO2WF, on 40 meters (7050-7060 kHz) between 0200 and 0300z (SSB mode). He is also very active on 14151 or 21215 kHz between 1900 and 2100z. Also, he can sometimes be found on 12 and 17 meters, CW. QSL via VE2EH.

FS, SAINT MARTIN. Dennis, K7BV, will be operating from FS5PL's QTH in the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 21-22nd). He will also operate a day or two before and after the contest as FS/K7BV, looking for contacts with JA's and others still needing FS. The FS/K7BV QSOs can be confirmed via his home callsign or the K7 bureau. The FS5PL QSL contacts will need to go to Lionel's QSL Manager N0JT. Dennis also mentions he will be operating the 8P9Z station in the July IARU Contest as 8P9**. All QSLs should be sent to his home callsign or the K7 bureau. His address is: Dennis Motschenbacher, 4357 Appollonio Way, Carson City, NV 89704 USA

FT5X, KERGUELEN ISLAND. It has been reported that Rene, FR5HR, now signing FT5X/FR5HR, will be active daily from Kerguelen Island on the following frequencies: 14240 kHz at 0200z (Good opening to the States!), 24950 kHz at 1300z and 18130 kHz at 1400z. Rene will stay on the Kerguelen until the end of February. He can't operate on CW! (He said no permission!). Meanwhile, Helios, FT5XN, has been active on 20 meters (14031 kHz) CW around 0330 and 0400z. QSL via F6PEN.

GB50, ENGLAND (Special Event/Prefix). During the month of June, the station GB50MKI will be active to celebrate the 50 years since the Mark 1 computer was programmed. It was designed in the Engineering Department of Manchester University. The station's HF operations is expected to be active on ALL band, although emphasis will be placed on data modes. Other modes will also be activated. Brief information may be obtained via the Web site: http://www.mcc.ac.uk/Radio/

GU, GUERNSEY. Jean Marc, F5SGI, will be active as GU/F5SGI from April 11-17th. He will be active mostly on CW from 40-10 meters. There will be activity on SSB on 14260 kHz. QSL direct or via the bureau.

HR6, HONDURAS. Joe, VE3BW, will be arriving here February 1st for three weeks. He will be active on all bands, including six meters. He will be active during the ARRL DX Contest, but his contest operation will be cut short due too his departure. QSL to his homecall.

IOTA NEWS.......
Marc, ON5FP, will be active as MW0/ON5FP from St. Tudwalls Islands (EU-106) during the IOTA contest.

The Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) announces that it will help support 9K2F to activate IOTA AS-118 in the Persian Gulf Group. This DXpedition will take place on February 12th, and will be on the air

for a week. QSL will be via 9K2HN.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators JN1TCC, JS1PNS, JA2HBK, JJ2NYT, JK2TQB and JR4URW will be traveling to Saipan Island and will be active February 14-16th. This will be the group's first ever overseas DX operation. They will use reciprocal callsign like KH0/homecall. Activities will be on 40-10 meters with operations on SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via homecall.

NOIDXC DXER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS NEEDED. Don, W5FKX, President of NOIDXC, reports: "The seventh annual New Orleans International DX Convention will be held again this year at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in the French Quarter on August 14 and 15. Plans are already being finalized on a number of outstanding DX and technical presentations and we are looking forward to another memorable convention. Circle the dates on your calendar and make plans to join us in New Orleans this August. Beginning now, and continuing through the month of February, we are inviting nominations for DXer of the Year. Please send in your nominations on behalf of those who have significantly contributed to our enjoyment of DXing. Nominations for DXer of the Year can be mailed or e-mailed to: Stan Pulitzer, 4236 Vincennes Place, New Orleans, LA 70125 -or- w5jyk@aol.com....."

OA463, PERU (Special Event/Prefix). Cesar, OA4QV, informs OPDX that during the month of January he will be using the special callsign OA463QV to commemorate 463 years (or is it 63?) of the Foundation of Lima (18-01-1535). QSL via OA4QV CBA.

P4, ARUBA. Look for Mike, K4PI, to be active until January 27th, as P49I. His activity includes an entry in the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest. QSL via home call.

QSL INFO AND NEWS......
If you get a chance to work N0TG/VP5, WA4DAN/VP5, AA4VK/VP5 from Turks and Caicos Islands (active until January 23rd on all bands 160-6 meters CW and SSB) send for your "Great Full Color Photo QSL". ALL QSLs "DIRECT ONLY" via N0TG: Randy Rowe, 1094 Big Rock Loop, Los Alamos, NM 87544

PIRATE ALERT! Norby, LX1NO, reports that operations by LX1PS, LX0PAC, LX2AA and LX2BN are pirates. DO NOT QSL! Cards are being returned.

Last call for anyone still needing a QSL from Ron's previous operations of DL4FDU, EY8/NP2AQ, 4L0MR or EK9RM. He requests to E-mail your info, or send QSLs to the address: Ron Maples, U.S. Embassy Mexico City/ESO, Box 3087, Laredo, TX 78044-2087. His E-mail address is: rmaples@compuserve.com. He mentions that he hopes to be on the air from Mexico City by March for the next two years.

Mike, K9NW, reports the following QSL route change for all his DX operations (Effective 1/1/98). QSL the following to WW9DX (direct or bureau): PJ7/N0BSH, NP3/N0BSH, NP4/N0BSH, FS/N0BSH, V47NZ, FS/K9NW and WH7/K9NW. WW9DX is the Western Wisconsin DX Association. Their address is: PO Box 411, La Crosse, Wisconsin 54602. Mike states all

of his future operations will be QSL via WW9DX.

Ron, AC7DX, reports he is NOT (or AA6BB) the QSL Manager for the following stations: JY5IN, T32LN ZK2VE, VS6CT, VS6CT/KP2, BV/OH2BH, VR2BH and VR2EW. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an updated list (as an additional bulletin) for all the stations that Ron handles cards for.

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REP. The 59(9) DXReport states Pascal, TL8PL, is still active despite an original January 1 QRT date. OPDX has done some searching and found Pascal was active this past Sunday on 40 meters (7022 kHz at 0515z). It is also reported that he likes the low end of 15 and 17 meters from 1200-1300z. QSL via F5LNA.

TROUBLE IN VANUATU. Alan, VK4AAR, reports to OPDX that a YJ station that he has been looking for several weeks (because he is manager) finally came on the air only for a few moments on January 12th (OPDX has decided not to mention the station's callsign, due to possible repercussions). With an unusually weak signal on 20m, the station said that there is big trouble in Vanuatu at the moment, and he has lowered his antennas (hence the poor signal) as a precaution. The situation is that there is a civil uprising. Alan asked him to stay a minute or two, and he refused saying "I must go QRT immediately!" He sounded quite disturbed, but said he was OK and had survived the big cyclone of recent days. Alan states he has a number of QSLs to reply for this station, but needs to check with him and his logs for the reports. Anyone who is currently still waiting for a reply at this time...please be patient and Alan will get them turned around as soon as possible.

XT, BURKINA FASO. "The 59(9) DXReport" states Mike, F5RLE, will be active on all bands, mostly CW January 22-March 9 as XT2DM.

XW30/XW30A FROM LAOS NOW QRT. This DXpedition received good news during the week in that the authorities in Vientiane had authorized a two day extension to the operation. The DXpedition went QRT on the 16th at midnight Laos time instead of the 14th. This gave many an extra chance to work the XW30/XW30A stations. If you did not work them, you will have another chance later in the year. The Laotians have invited the group back to operate in October. We are sure more details will be forthcoming.

ZX0, ABRA ANTARCTIC DXPEDITION. Paul, PT2NP (ABRA Director Secretary), informs OPDX that the ABRA-DX Brazilian Association will activate its fourth DXpedition, this time to the Antarctic region. From January 22nd to February 8th, operators Lunkes, PT2HF, and Paul, PT2NP, will be active from the Brazilian "Comandante Ferraz" Antarctic Base Station, located on King George Island (counts for DXCC South Shetland Is., IOTA AN-010, DIB-20). Their callsigns will be ZX0DX (SSB) and ZX0CW (CW). They may also use the "Comandante Ferraz" Antarctic Station's callsign ZX0ECF. Besides operating on SSB and CW, they intend to work on RTTY, as ZX0CW.
Suggested frequencies:
SSB - 3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28420
CW - 3530, 7025, 10140, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920, 28040

WARC - Operations will depend on taking the proper antennas.
There is a chance of operations on 160m and 6m, if they
can take antennas and equipment for that.
The QSL manager will only be PT2GTI (OK in the Callbook). The cards can
be sent to him directly or via bureau. There may be operations from other
islands near Antarctic Peninsula.

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http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html
OPDX SPANISH WEB SITE. (provide by "QTC Magazine" and Tony Pernas, EA1CSI):
http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm
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second will not have to do this step.) 3) The phone will pick up and
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1731. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c27a8e.3868478@news.total.net>
Source record: 181283
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.shortwave

On 18 Jan 1998 21:24:29 GMT, nunkhead@aol.com (Nunkhead) wrote:

>
> I am very shocked to come read this group this mornig and find nothing
>new on the Liberty Net.

I posted an article called "What a garbage..." I will post it again.

> Before last night I had never listened to the Liberty
>net. I
>am a 22 male and I have a HAM radio lisc so I figured that I would tune in and
>see what was going on.

> I was shocked to find probally some of the same type of
>folks that helped me get my lisc acting like they where on the CB radio.

I heard the continuous laughings and the continuous CW jamming all
evening long yesterday. It was absolutely %$#H****.

> It
>was too much.

I usually don't hear anything, but yesterday, the propagation was very
good and I could hear them no problem.
I am sure I am gonna hear them today also.

3950 KHz is also good freq to tune LSB music station. I heard rock'n
roll music yesterday evening and I am awaiting to see what happens
today (by whom those went through the clearning process (CW)).

>Then after seeing people yelling, swearing, keying
>up music, noise makers, etc.

that's right. it was VERY BAD (yesterday).

It's worse than CB. It was the worst what I ever heard on the air.

> ripping others antenna's off anothers roof
>because someone said something that someone didn't like.

> It started off by hearing that this was a net like any other net on HAM
>radio a bunch of guys LEGALLY checking in to a net. Nothing wrong with that.
>Ok the subject matter is a little off and not very P.C. "pol. correct" So be
>it this is America and everyone has their opinion.
> SO i find no fault in the
>content of the net at all. I hate P.C to a point as well. If the Net offends
>you DON"T LISTEN or contact the FCC. The only checked in member that I could

>find fault with was the homophob that was logging in as a narrow minded dim
>wit, who had very little grey matter. Matter of fact this same man "which I
>forgot to get his call, but he was from out in the east coast". This was the
>only member of the net that I could hear from my listening post that was
>swearing and threatening another man that was speaking his opinion of this
>fellow VIC.

and someone was sparking "This frequency is designated to....."

> This guy was like one of the CBers that I listened to when I was
>15 years old. He had the attitude of a CBer.
> The attitude of Im Big and Bad
>and I'll come and Find you if you Piss me OFF!

but hey, most of them are legal amateurs who went through cleaning
process !!
I heard call signs w/ bunch of swearing and +++++

>find where this man lives bla bla bla!!!!!!!!!!! What a joke! I know that
>the man was speaking his mind and NOT cheacking into the NET!

(...)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1732. What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c27cbc.4426389@news.total.net>
Source record: 181284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.shortwave

Today, 80m propagation was very good and I could hear to something...
so called "Liberty Net" and MISC.

What a garbage ?

I heard continuous non-sense laughing as well as continuous non-sense
CWs. and someone was sparking "This frequency is designated..... "
oh well...

I thought those foggies went through cleaning process... well...
seems not. 2m repeaters are much clean here in Montreal.

Take care.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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1733. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: wmunsil@aztec.asu.edu
Message-ID: <69rknf$f5r@news.asu.edu>
Source record: 181315

Maybe we can flood the 800 subscription number with complaints and
threats to cancel our subscriptions.

1-800-677-6400
TV GUIDE Customer Service Hotline.

73 de N7AOU/ATV - definitely NOT an acronym.

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Lernu la Internacian Lingvon, Esperanto. Call 800-Esperanto for info.
Check soc.culture.esperanto for Esperanto in daily usage.

1734. SM 220 AND BS-5 ADAPTOR WTB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: email@tig.com.au
Message-ID: <69rlmbchg2@toto.tig.com.au>
Source record: 181316

I AM THINKING OF BUYING A KENWOOD SM 220 STATION MONITOR AND BS-5 PAN ADAPTOR.

EMAIL IF YOU CAN HELP.
THANKS.

1735. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118021200.VAA00704@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181317

I figure your height of eye gives you a theoretical horizon distance of about 185.3 NM or 212.7 statute miles. Add about 5% refraction for your radio horizon and you get 223.3 miles. Of course you would have to be using power, antenna, etc sufficient for the distance. 1/2 watt and a rubber duck might not do the job.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1736. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118023301.VAA13136@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181318

>I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
>my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
>letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
>early radio amateurs.

>Michelle Hunt
>W0YMW

Could this be the same Hiram PERCY Maxim who founded the ARRL?

K�MB

1737. Morse Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980118020654838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 181319

Has anyone got a morse code program which uses the sound card rather
than the internal speaker as this always seems to be too quiet. If
the sound card was used I would be able to use headphones and have no
distractions.
Please Email direct to: jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk
Or post to this news group.

Thank You

73s Jon

1738. Re: He said the word "penis" on ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34c56bef.16181198@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181320

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 19:43:47 -0500, "Burt" <burt@innocent.com> wrote:

>The message written below is indictive of the ham mentality that reduced
>exam
>requirements have brought on. Of course there are many exceptions but
>those who do not condemn the sender STAND WITH HIM.
>Burt

and your status in amateur radio is better????
give us a break, you are just as bad as anyone
else. I have slipped up, you are a slip up, and
others slip up just as bad.
only thing is that you are just a moronic turd compared
to my pecan tree.

1739. Re: Response to HAM acronym

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34dc6e67.26847210@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181321

"Burt" <burt@innocent.com> wrote:

>
>Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C0EAA7.6536@earthlink.net>...
>>Highly Advanced Mammal
>>
>>Heavenly AND Modest
>>
>>Hero and Martyr (for trying to educate CB Rambo on the Internet)
>>
>>Have Already Mastered (what you will never know)
>
>
>Homo and Mad?
>Hos are mine?

Weren't you the guy whining about a ham using the word "penis" about
four minutes ago?

Hypocrite.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1740. Needed: Schematics for Mirage2950EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jeff Burt <jpb@wpol.com>
Message-ID: <34C177CB.97A095F@wpol.com>
Source record: 181322

I HAVE A MIRAGE 2950EX AND WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF ANYBODY WOULD KNOW A MOD. FOR MODULATION OTHER THAN PULLING R192 AND OR Q32 FROM THE CIRCUIT BOARD AND ALSO WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ON MAXIMUM FORWARD SWING I KNOW WHAT CANS TO TURN BUT AM HAVING TROUBLE MAKING OUT I.D. MARKINGS BECAUSE CANS SIT RIGHT ON TOP OF THEM L46 ETC. ANY IDEAS WOULD BE APPREACIATED .

Chuck

1741. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118034001.WAA14286@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181323

In article <69qbeufah1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>
Roger *knows* that the primary reason for most antenna covenets (which
in
>most instances don't just single out amateur antennas -- they often cover
ham
>antennas, television antennas, satellite dishes, and so on) is very
simple,
>and has absolutely *nothing* to do with ham radio, or morse code.

No longer true. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 specifically supercedes and
nullifies all local ordinances and deed restrictions which prohibit rooftop
television antennas in areas where they are required as well as small (DSS)
satellite dishes.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1742. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118034001.WAA23443@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181324

In article <69ms43$mft@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

>Hi Roger - So you're implying working people are busier today
>than
yesteryear? I guess these days must have more hours in 'em, for my
dad
>put in 12-15 hour days for many many years building his business
decades ago.
>One wonders how working hams of yesteryear could find
the time to learn the
>code, yet today's working hams can't...

Wake up, Jeffy, and welcome to 1998. It's a much busier and more hurried world these days. For one thing, due to the erosion of American purchasing power, both spouses are often required to work fulltime in order to support their household...which wasn't the case in "yesteryear."

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"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1743. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980118034100.WAA14331@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181325

In article <69qoe0$fo1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>If things continue at their current pace, there will be almost
>1,000,000
licensed amateurs in 2008 (if we linearly extrapolate current
>annual
growth of 30k amateurs for 10 years).

FCC statistics support this
>claim: http://www.speroni.com/FCC

What Deegie Howser conveniently leaves out of this equation, however, is that
at the going rate, about 999,000 of them will be no-code Technicians.

That should make you happy, eh, Deegie?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1744. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c17e65.397671977@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181326
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On 17 Jan 1998 21:33:21 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:

>cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>I would like to know the range of 2m, 6m when you transmit from the
>>aircraft under normal circumstances.
>
>Should be the same range as when the aircraft is under abnormal
>circumstances.

Abnormal circumstances would be when the aircraft is flying through
a granite cloud. Range is very short in that case.

Gary
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1745. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: algo@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <69rvsndat5@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 181327

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 20:44:36 -0800, Ron Boyd <rdboyd@hiwaay.net>
wrote:

>Hello:
>
>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?
>
>73 de Ron
==========
An interesting question. I originally thought that the fee was a one
time fee, but I recall seeing something somewhere that the fee will be
charged again on renewal. Of course, a lot can change over a 10 year
period. Write your Congressman!! Or maybe the ARRL!!!!

Actually, I understand that the fee was supposed to be a "user fee" to
cover the cost of the program. Once the new call is in the data base,
the cost to the FCC of a renewal is no different whether it is vanity
or not vanity.

Back in the "old days" (1960's) all ham licenses other than Novice
licenses were for 5 year terms and cost $5 to renew. (Novice licenses
were for 1 year and not renewable.) Given all of the Congressional
tinkering with FCC, don't be surprised if all licenses, vanity and
non-vanity, become subject to a renewal fee.

I hope I am still around in 10 years to see how it all turns out.

Ray, K1XV

1746. FS: $20 B/O Simpson 360 for parts or may be okay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <69s192$a7t$6@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 181328

SIMPSON 360 DIGITAL VOLT-OHM-MILLIAMMETER. Bought it and found I could not test it, because it uses a three prong unique sized Simpson extension cord that appears to be no longer available from Simpson (I tried to buy it). It has a battery compartment for battery powered field use, but one of the metal contacts need replacing so I could not test it that way. The point is I don't wish to put any money into it if I can't buy a power cord for it. I wanted it for bench use. I would guess that it does not run, but maybe it does? Probably good for someone who wants a back up parts unit for their Simpson 360. It's a shame, because the thing is a super unit in nice physical condition. Do not have leads or manual. $20 or best offer.

Plus Shipping costs which are not much. I'll pack it free.

-OR- Will take old running complete decent VTVM in trade.

1747. FS: Old Tube Type Stereo Reel to Reel Portable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <69s25o$a7t$12@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 181329

Webcor Regent Coronet Stereo Tube Model #2380-1 reel to reel.
Made in Chicago. Excellent running top-end three speed tube unit
from late 1950's or early 60's with extra features. Has separate
optional Webcor compact mini-suitcase speakers that fold into
little suitcase. Handles 7 inch reels. Has top-end options for
its time. Weighs about 38 lbs by itself. No mikes, missing
small piece of cover plate on bottom about 2"x 3" for access
(Just screw in any plate to cover if you wish), have SAMS
photofacts manual for unit. $100 plus Shipping. Will pack
it free.

Have photos if you wish me to email them to you. Must see.

Will consider trades all or in part for Civilian or Military
tube tester as well -- or guitar or bass amp -- or 486 66Mhz
computer cpu with at least 8 MB ram if you've updated your
CPU to Pentium.

1748. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: rhawk@megabits.net
Message-ID: <34c191d5.1697563@news.megabits.net>
Source record: 181330

On 17 Jan 1998 16:46:52 GMT, michell5@ix.netcom.com(Christina Michelle Hunt) wrote:

>In <34C0C015.4FF@ix.netcom.com> AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com> writes:
>>
>>DANO wrote:
>>>
>>> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what
>abbreviations
>>> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well I asked what "ham" was.
>>----
>>Yo! Dano -- Tis an age old question -- no definitive answer -- but for
>>what it may be worth -- some speculations at URL:
>>http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageal.html#OH
>>
>>73
>>Rod the Ham
>>
>I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
>my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
>letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
>early radio amateurs.

nice try Hiram Percy Maxim, was his name.
>
>Anyone interested would be better advised to go to the nearest library
>and request the book "A Genius in the Family" instead of going to a URL
>where there is mere speculation.
>
>Michelle Hunt
>W0YMW
>Amateur Advanced

1749. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c1a4d3.407511355@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181331

On Wed, 14 Jan 1998 04:58:50 GMT, gareth@capecod.net (Gareth Crispell) wrote:
>Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>spread?
>I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>this is no longer considered true.
>
>de N1MSV

The ITU addressed this matter at WRC-97. Amateurs must limit any
OOB (Out of Bandwidth) emissions to no more than -50 db of the peak
power in the occupied bandwidth on HF, and no more than -70 db on
VHF+. The occupied bandwidth of a SSB emission of a station following
good engineering practice is 2.1 KHz. 6 KHz would definitely be a
violation of the ITU requirement.

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1750. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34c9a0d6.29725905@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181332
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 21:31:42 -0600, Brian wrote:

>> > > Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
>> > >are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.

ok that much we all know and accept, however not preferred over ssb or
any other mode that is easier

>> "The winners laugh and tell funny stories, while the losers glower and
>> say "Shut up and deal!)

what?
the real problem is this....
YE OLDE FARTZ are pissed off cuz we can do whatever we want as far
as the mode. They were stuck having to learn code and think that
because they were so should we.......NEWS FLASH.....many no coders
do code.....listen to 6m
and 2 and even 222/432. check the call signs that you hear there. How
many have the code test? 1/3 or less...I have checked. SO WHAT you
say? well the point of the matter is that i/we did not have to have
that little paper as you did, and how you flaunt it. I have 30 ghz to
play with, what do I want with a measly little 30mhz?????????????

again

no code does not mean no know code

1751. VE5KC's Canada Page check it out!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ken <casey@techie.com>
Message-ID: <69s8sl$4l22@dragon.sk.sympatico.ca>
Source record: 181333

Find out how to get your own Han Web Site on the QSL.NET server.
Get your E-mail forwarding address (ur_call@qsl.net)

VE5KC's Canada Page check it out! http://www.qsl.net/ve5kc

Good starting place..
Links for information on Canada and Canadian Ham radio

73 de Ken - VE5KC
Packet -> VE5KC@VE5BDP.#NWSK.SK.CAN.NOAM
E-Mail -> ve5kc@qsl.net
Web site -> http://www.qsl.net/ve5kc/

1752. Yaesu 209RH programming?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-18 00:00:00 UTC
From: Robert Gaynor <bobby@alphacd.com>
Message-ID: <34C1C289.7730898C@alphacd.com>
Source record: 181334
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I was just given a Yaesu FT-209RH 2 meter portable, without the manual
naturally, and I'm hoping
someone out there can either post (email, actually) instructions on how
to do the basic programming,
or maybe a couple of pages from the manual. Anybody help? Thanks.
--
Robert Gaynor
Alpha CD Imaging

<bobby@zxzxnospamxzxzalphacd.com>
<www.zxzxnospamxzxzalphacd.com>

Removethezxzxnospamxzxztoreply Sorry it's run together, but those spam
bastards
have figured out not only "NOSPAM" but also anything that follows the
words
"remove the". Clever programmers, but it's a game and I feel like being
ahead of it...

1753. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C41241.673B@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181085

AC6V wrote:
>
> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> As for libraries -- full of books on speculations i.e., JFK, Custer,
> Lincoln, and Nostradamus!! The real reason Custer lost the battle of the
> Little Big Horn was Crazy Horse!!! But most Library books blame it on
> Custer or Reno!!! You figure!!
>
> What if Custer had 2 meter HT's????

That was exactly the problem .. Custer was a no coder and the
HH did not have the range to get back to the Fort. Now just
imagine how different History would be if Custer knew code so
he could get on HF and have gotten help ..

1754. Re: If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: ed@juge.com
Message-ID: <885263219.297992206@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181086

In article <692mth$l5c@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>,
"jpcummins@worldnet.att.net"@worldnet.att.net wrote:
>
> SCO wrote:
> >
> > slime@radiotelephone.net.ham (Mr. Slime) wrote:
> >
> > >If Radio Shack Sells HF Rigs, I am sure there are more people around
> > >in HFs.
> > >
> > >Why ?
> > >
> > >Because many of us started in VHF by visiting Radio Shack and saw some
> > >VHF rigs !! Or at least we start to get into VHF by using their
> > >excellent (?) rigs !!
> > >
> > >If they sell the HF rigs in their showcase, I am sure a lot more
> > >people show the interest and actually use the HFs.
> > >
> >
> > well here in Atlanta we have many Radio Shack stores ... but we also
> > have a HAM RADIO OUTLET store. Local hams go there. Hams from outside
> > georgia even buy there.
> >
> > W4SCO
>
> I noticed in the paper this morning that Tech America (a Tandy
> operation) has the small Alinco VHF/UHF rigs listed but don't mention
> that you need a license to use them. I'm not surprised. I guess Ed
> Juge is no longer in Ft. Worth.
>
> AD4S

Nope... been gone since '93. But Tech America is the brainchild of, and
is being run by a very active and concerned ham... Bob Miller, K2RM. You
can find him on 7.208 MHz every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM Central.

73... Ed Juge, W5EJ (ex W5TOO)

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1755. Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <6a176r$4is@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181087

> And ham plates are pretty cheap in NJ. One time fee of $10 per car.
> Paid $20 to get two sets of plates K1XV and K1XV-2
>
> Ray, K1XV

In Texas, because they're not considered vanity plates, the annual extra fee for amateur radio call sign tags is $1, and you can have the SAME call sign plate on as many vehicles as you own! Makes for some confusion when running vehicle registration information (I work in public safety communications).

Glenn AA5PK

1756. Re: cell mod for VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6a19od$ndl@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181088

ktm3000@aol.com (Ktm3000) wrote:

>Hey! Any Cell mods for the cute little VX-1R?

>thanx

Cut D16 on the main board.

1757. Re: Vanity callsign????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C42AB1.1D63@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181089
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Brian wrote:> > Dick W0EX
>
> Isn't W0EX a vanity call?
> Brian/N0iMD

Brian:

The terms "vanity call" and "vanity license plate" did not exist when I received this callsign, in 1977. Such callsigns were then known as "Preferred" callsigns. The term "vanity callsign" came about following the widespread popularization of "vanity" license plates for personal automobiles some years later, and then even later, someone decided to apply the term to ham radio callsigns that were specifically requested.

It is the first ever issue of this callsign, because there was no 10th "zero" district until it was created from the 9th and others just after WW2 and no further 1x2's were issued following that time until the era in which I recieved it.

I *did not* request this callsign when I *did* request a 1x2.
Since "vanity callsigns" are specifically requested by the holder, and since this one well predates the initiation of the term, I don't consider this callsign to be one. It is what the FCC decided to send me.
Your mileage may vary.

I held a 1x3 at the time, and as you know, for code communications at least, "shorter is better".

BTW-- I did, however, request a specific callsign at that time, but it was already taken. What callsign was that, you ask? Well.....W0ET.
Can you imagine?-----

DoubleEwe zero dit dah. CW Nirvana. Alas, it was not to be.

Of course, when the movie "ET" followed a few years later, I learned to count my blessings and be glad some other poor soul got there first.

Presumably the FCC issued me the next open callsign following that which I had requested.

Dick W0EX

1758. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.%%net>
Message-ID: <6a188m$k0c$1@excalibur.flash.net>
Source record: 181090

Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:

> As the PIC you can make that determination, however on a commercial
> aircraft, since that is what the original thread started out as,

Negative, the original post never mentioned commercial aviation.

> you are
> not, therefore should the "company/PIC" decide not to allow, as is the
> case, you may not.

Agreed, while a corporate policy may exist, the legal responsibility still lies with the pilot in command, which according to FAA regs does give him the authority to allow or not allow an amateur transmission aboard his aircraft. Which was my point. You could certainly be
aboard a charter at that altitude, one that may not have the same policys as the bigger commercial carriers.

> Hey, if you have your own personal aircraft that can
> cruise at 30,000 feet, why are you so concerned about what can or can not
> be done on a commercial aircraft anyway???

Heh heh, I could only wish... :)

Tim, ka8ddz

1759. Re: Receiver sensitivity!??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.%%net>
Message-ID: <6a19on$p7l$1@excalibur.flash.net>
Source record: 181091

Electron78 wrote:

> Why do I never see receiver gain in any of the equations for a receiver's
> sensitivity rating?? It ALL seems to hinge on thermal noise and the receiver's
> own noise figure. Why wouldn't IF gain have a HUGE bearing on a receiver's
> sensitivity!? Thanks!
>
> Mike

There are many others here who can answer this better, but hey, I'll take a shot at it. I believe the reason gain is not as relative is because the desired result is whether or not you can hear the signal by the time it makes it to the speaker, if you have an IF that has more noise than the signal then by adding 60 db of gain you end up with a strong signal that is still below the noise which has also been amplified by 60db, if the IF amp has very low noise then you end up with a stronger recieved signal which is above the noise and thus readable. I found after building a DC reciever that a LM386 is not the BEST choice as an audio amp because of it's noise, and since in a DC receiver ALL gain is at an audio level low noise audio amps are KEY for the best performance. The same principle applys for IF amps, me thinks.

Tim, ka8ddz

1760. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34C45240.155E@no.net>
Source record: 181092

Bill Smith wrote:
>
> I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
> mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
> frequency because of the mode.

You are still confused. If it is in the cb band, it can't be an HF Ham
frequency no matter what mode you use.
You can operate SSB on the cb band, however there are certain channels
that the SSB operators use and the AM folks will get pretty upset if you
operate SSB on the channels where they normally operate AM. Don't know
what channels are normally use by the cb crowd for SSB, but I think it
is some the upper channels around channel 40.

1761. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: N8FFG@webtv.net
Message-ID: <6a1abumrm1@newsd-162.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 181093

Thank the good Lord. After reading all those postings, you were like a voice in the wilderness.
cuagn and 73
John(n8ffg)

1762. Amateur Radio Newsline #1064 03 Jan 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: evetsgib@gro.iasrod
Message-ID: <doCx0QQI8JFO092yn@dorsai.org>
Source record: 181094

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The following advisory is not for transmission over amateur radio. This is just a reminder that the address for the Newsline Support Fund is:

Newsline
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P.O.Box 660937
Arcadia, California
91066

Again, and as always, we thank you. This ends the closed circuit with Newsline report number 1064 for release on January 3, 1998 to follow.

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The following is a QST

Bad news for growth in ham radio but great news for those planning to attend Hamvention '98. One of your favorites is coming back. Find out who on Newsline report number 1064 coming your way right now.

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Negative numbers for ham radio

The number of applicants being administered Amateur Radio examinations has dropped dramatically. This according to FCC figures supplied to Fred Maia of the W5YI VEC and published in the January 1st edition of his W5YI Report.

The statistics provided to Maia by the Licensing Facility in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania show that there are fewer Advanced, General, Technician Plus and Novice Class operators than there was a year ago. These four classes show a total decline of 2.7 percent in the past twelve months.

And, for the first time, there are less Tech Plus amateurs than in the prior year. This says Maia is proof that the majority of No-Code Technicians are not bothering to learn the More code and are not upgrading. At least not in significant enough numbers to overcome the attrition found among Tech Plus license holders.

Also, the statistics show that the combination of No-Code Technician and Technician Plus hams now account for over 45 percent of all license holders. The percentage of General, Advanced and Extra class is down to 43.5 percent of all licensees. A decade ago in 1987, close to 60 percent of all hams held these higher class licenses.

The only good news comes in the area of code free Technician and Extra class. There are now 18,636 more no-code Tech's than there were a year ago. This says that the entry level license is still quite popular with 1553 newcomers entering the hobby this route every month. The other optimistic news is a slightly higher number of upgrades to Extra in 1997 than in 1996.

But the bottom line is this. Amateur Radio growth in 1998 and beyond does not look encouraging. The FCC statistics show that there are 38.4 percent fewer persons taking Amateur Radio operator license exams now, than just five years ago. The trend Says Fred Maia is clear. The trend is down.

(Via W5YI)

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New Years 6 meter DX

The gods of DX smiled on 6 meters around the world on New Years Eve and New Years Day. This, with what's believed to have been the first ever New Zealand to Texas contacts as ZL2TPY works K5LLL.

But that's not all. ZL3TIC reports via the VHF Reflector working a number of far west W5's and W7's while ZL3NW confirms holding a QSO with K6SIX.

And if that were not enough, DXers in Cuba worked the United States west coast, the mid-west and into the north eastern states while U.S. mainland stations had contact to numerous Europeans, Honduran, Brazilian and Argentine stations. And hams almost anywhere in the United States seem to have been able to work almost everyone they heard.

While most of this activity was found between 50.110 and 50.130 MHz on sideband, the DX was not limited to the lower portion of the band. In Santa Clarita, California, Dave Booth, KC6WFS says that he turned on an old Gonset G-50 AM transceiver to demonstrate ham radio to some visitors. He called CQ on 50.4 MHz and was answered by a station in Oklahoma.

"I couldn't really stay out there a lot of time, but Brent, N5TML was in Echo Mike 84 in Oklahoma. And we talked for about 15 minutes. And needless to say my friends were very impressed." KC6WFS

Several other AM DX contacts followed for Dave.

Even higher in frequency, on the national FM calling frequency of 52.525 MHz, west coast stations report hearing and contacting their counterparts in Georgia, Louisiana, Florida and the Caribbean.

The bottom line is this. If you have any sort of 6 meter rig, CW, SSB, AM or FM, get it out, hook it to an antenna and start listening. Six meters appears to be ready for a DX season that will rival that of 1959 and maybe a lot more. This is because there are many new nations now permitting their hams access to the band and giving 6 meter DX enthusiasts a lot more of the world to work. Even a casual listener with a forty year old Heathkit Sixer AM lunch box has a good chance at working some very rare and exotic DX in the months and years to come.

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Ham Radio to the rescue - again!

Even if the numbers are falling, ham radio public service is still in abundance. And three Franklin Pierce College students may owe their lives to ham radio. This after the three found themselves stranded on New Hampshire's Mount Monadnock in late November after becoming lost in the snow and darkness.

Fortunately, one of the students was Michael Sensabaugh, KB2SSA, of New York. He was smart enough to have a handie talkie with him. He used it to radio for help using the K1TQY repeater in Keene.

According to Richard Seifert, KB2FF, the repeater trustees Dawn Cummings, K1TQY, and Roberta Bennett, N1WTY, responded. Cummings took charge of communication while Bennett called in the alarm to Monadnock State Park

Manager Michael Walsh.

Then, Bennett bundled her young son and her own HT in the family car and drove to Walsh's office. Over the next four hours, she provided a radio link between the lost students and the search party. The students were found late that evening and brought to safety just as more bad weather moved in.

(Via ARRL, TWIAR)

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FCC Rep. claims interference is transmitter's fault

An FCC representative is reported to have made some strange claims about interference and the Commission's role in solving it.

According to the Portland SBE Newsletter, Charlene Lagerwerff of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau is apparently under the impression that Cross-Modulation and other products of a multi-transmitter site are solely the fault of the transmitting stations. When asked recently about the use of such remedies as circulators, band-pass filters and RF chokes, she reportedly paused a bit and continued on to argue that transmitters are putting out way too much power and interfering with everything.

At the same meeting, James Kaplan, KG7FU, pointed out to her that the ARRL and others have been pushing to make good engineering and design practice the law for receiver manufacturers for years. Also that intermodulation is a site management issue, not a regulatory one.

(Via Portland SBE News)

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Milsap returns to Dayton Hamvention

Ronnie Milsap, WB4KCG, is returning for a second appearance at the Dayton Hamvention in 1998. DARA has announced that the legendary country singer will be both banquet speaker as well as the evenings primary entertainment.

Blind since birth, Ronnie Milsap began performing professionally in the 1960's. In 1968, his talents caught the ear of Elvis Presley. Presley brought Milsap in on keyboard for a number of recordings including the smash hit "Kentucky Rain." As a result, Ronnie Milsap became musically rooted to Memphis and Nashville, and by 1970 was already building his own country music career.

Since then, WB4KCG has won virtually every award a performer could hope for including the coveted Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year Award and Male Vocalist of the Year. In 1983 The Academy of Country Music voted Milsap Best Male Vocalist and he won Song of the Year in 1986 for "Lost in the Fifties Tonight." Ronnie is also the recipient of the only "Gold Braille Album" ever awarded.

To accommodate his performance, the Hamvention has moved the 1998 Awards Banquet to the Nutter Center at Wright State University in nearby Fairborn, Ohio. For more information on banquet tickets add everything else planned for Hamvention 98 visit its website at:

www.hamvention.org

(Via Dayton Hamvention)

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Things that generate RFI

Devices that generate RFI well beyond Part 15 limits seem to be proliferating. According to one industry newsletter, a reader informed them of an air purifier which generates high voltage sparks at 25 to 30 kHz and which then radiates every imaginable harmonic up to about 400 MHZ.

That letter was forwarded to the FCC. In response, the FCC's Ray LaForge wrote that device describe is obviously a intentional radiator. As such the manufacturer should of sought FCC approval prior to marketing the device. However, based on the information provided, it is unlikely that this device would receive approval based on Part 15 of our rules.

LaForge adds that a confidential complaint may be filed with the:

FCC Laboratory
7435 Oakland Mills Road
Columbia, MD 21046

The Commission would then investigate.

(Via Portland FCC Newsletter)

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FCC Certified equipment - General notes

While on the subject of equipment that radiates where its not supposed to, be wary of phony FCC certification stickers. So says the FCC itself in an educational release aimed at making the public aware of how to check the authenticity of a Certification sticker on a piece of equipment.

To find out if a certificate is valid, you can write to either Linda Oni or Charlie Cobbs at the FCC Labs. Ms. Oni can be reached by e-mail to:

loni@fcc.gov

and Mr. Cobb is at:

ccob@fcc.gov

All you need do is to provide them with the printed certification number and ask them to provide name of applicant, frequency, address and telephone number when available. If the certification is a phony, the Commission can initiate a proceeding under Section 510 to confiscate a piece of uncertified equipment.

By the way, the FCC has just released some proposed changes for the marketing of RF devices have just been released on the www at:

www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/1997/db971113/fcc94110.txt

(Via FCC release)

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Radio fun in pdx

Smoke and excitement prevailed at two Pacific northwest radio stations in late 1997. In Coos Bay, KMHS on 1429 KHz apparently took a direct lightning hit. According to the stations Chief Engineer Robin O'Kelly, the strike melted coils in the antenna tuning unit, popped the final amplifier tubes, opened the plate transformer, and "unwound" the Power Amplifier tank coils like they were watch springs.

Meanwhile, in Portland, KBOO's 20 kilowatt Collins transmitter fried a plate transformer. It was all smoke but there was no fire. Even so, the transformer was still too hot to touch nearly an hour later.

(Via Portland SBE Newsletter)

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Strawcutter Back

Back on the air without a license to broadcast is the Reverend Rick Strawcutter. The trade publication Radio World reports in its December 24th year end edition that following a self imposed four and half month hiatus, Pastor Strawcutter is again broadcasting his anti government message from his lower Michigan church.

Strawcutter who is WA8RJD did cease his operations last year after a Toledo broadcast station complained of interference. He has now taken up residence on 99.3 MHZ. This is a frequency that Strawcutter claims will not interfere with anyone in the vicinity of the audience he wants to serve.

But the FCC is taking a different view of Strawcutters' 95 watt unlicensed operation. Commission spokesman John Watson says of Strawcutter that he is defiant and continues to do so. Watson refused further comment on what action the FCC might take because the matter is under investigation.

(Via Radio World Magazine)

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San Bernadiono, CA Pirate

And a new pirate is on the air in Southern California. Lyle Henry, K7OO reports that on December 7th at about 10 PM he found a unlicensed stereo station on 91.1 playing mideastern dance music. It was pretty much covering XTRA's Sunday evening Mexican program.

K7OO says that he listened to it from San Bernardino to his home in the Silver Lake area of Los Angeles. That's a distance of about 75 miles. Lyle says that there were some announcements and the station gave 202 area code number. He suspects that the pirate may have been rebroadcasting a satellite feed.

Henry, a broadcast engineer says that the station may be located in the Pomona area. Its also running a good deal of power for him to hear it so well for the distance he did.

(Via CGC Communicator)

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QEX to go bimonthly

QEX, the ARRL Forum for Communications Experimenters, has become a bi-monthly publication but the magazine has expand in size to compensate for the new publication schedule. QEX Editor Rudy Severns, N6LF, says that the total amount of material subscribers get each year would not decrease. Sevrens says that issues will be either 48 or 64 pages depending on available material.

(Via ARRL)

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G3AAJ retires

Ron Broadbent. G3AAJ, retired from the position of Honorary Secretary of AMSAT UK. This, effective December 31st. Broadbent will continue as a member of the Amsat-UK Committee Board of Directors and as its representative to such organizations such as the IARU and the International Space Station planning committee.

The job of Honorary Secretary has been taken on by G6ZRU. In England, Honorary is not a congratulatory term. It refers to being a volunteer and working without being paid.

(Via AMSAT-UK)

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RAC Affiliate Program

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced a new Affiliated Club Program. The only requirements for affiliation are is that a club application must be submitted to the RAC, the club must have a constitution and that club policies must not conflict with those of RAC. For more information or to apply for affiliation, Canadian hams should contact Radio Amateurs of Canada direct or via their website page.

(Via RAC)

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Philippine Celebration

Across the Pacific, the special event callsign 4G50N has been issued to the Amateur Communications and Emergency Service Club of Naga City, in the Philippines. This, to celebrate Naga City's 50th charter anniversary. This call will be in use from January 1st to March 31st.

(Via press release)

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DX

In DX, the DX News Sheet reports that 9K2ZZ, is once again active from Kuwait. He will be there until December, 1998. QSL via W8CNL, direct only.

And if you were lucky enough to work K4LZE, as MW0BKA from Guernsey between December 4th and 9th then QSL to his home callbook address.

Also, N4GN says that he is handling his own cards from the TF/OH4GN operation. QSL direct to him at:

8309 Dawson Hill Road
Louisville, Kentucky
40299

direct or via the bureau. N4GN adds that the OJ0/N4GN and OH0/N4GN cards are not yet out. Once he gets back to Kentucky, he promises that he will get those done. Meantime, he says thank you for your patience.

And with 10 meters becoming very active, check out the Channel Islands Chapter's "10 10 International." The group holds a popular net every Wednesday at 18:00 UTC and again at 02:00 UTC. Non-members are welcome. For more information, send E-mail to:

rcnoll@ix.netcom.com

(via various sources)

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An RF flash attack

And finally, a citizen of the Georgia Republic says that RF rays from a camera's flash almost killed him. Mr. Aslan Abashidze told local television in the regional capital Batumi that he had made the acquaintance of two people last summer who asked to photograph him. Abashidze says that he noticed an unusual brightness of the camera's flash. A half hour later he began experiencing chest pains. He was taken to a hospital where he was diagnosed as having suffered a heart attack.

Abashidze accused those he calls enemies within Georgia and abroad of being behind a terrorist act to assassinate him, but a leading Georgian cardiologist disagrees. The doctor says that while it was theoretically possible that bright lights might bring on emotional or physical stress that might lead to heart conditions, that this was highly unlikely unless the victim already had physical or cardiac problems.

But Aslan Abashidze wants to hear nothing of what the medical experts say. Instead, he claims that this was the 14th attempt on his life in recent years. Why, he does not say.

(Via postings to DejaNews)

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The following is a QST

Weak signal says that its time to rein in FMers on the VHF and UHF bands and the ARRL Board will consider changes to the DXCC program. These stories and more on Newsline report 1065 coming your way right now!

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Are FM spectrum restrictions needed

Formal restrictions are needed to keep FM users from causing interference to the users of other modes on our VHF and UHF bands. So say the proponents of non FM point to point communications. They are tired of the growing amount of QRM that the growing number of FM users are creating and that its time to protect their interests from FM.

Cross mode interference has always been a problem on any ham band. But now there appears to be an increase in the incidence of both inadvertent and purposeful interference to weak signal, EME, local SSB, CW and even AM contacts on our 2 meter, 1.25 meter and 70 Centimeter bands.

There is also a growing number of new FM users who firmly believe that they have a right to operate anywhere on any band and on any frequency they choose. This, as long as they are technically in compliance with the FCC Part 97 rules. As a result, more and more users of SSB, CW, AM and even some exotic modes find themselves in direct confrontation with FMers. Hams who say that FM should be the only mode permitted to be used on any VHF or UHF ham band. In some cities the situation has gotten so bad that it is almost impossible for non-FM interests to use 2 meters.

Now the ARRL Board of Directors may be getting ready to get involved. On Friday, December 26th, League Vice President Joel Harrison, W5ZN posted a note to the W6YX VHF Reflector looking for input on this topic from the weak signal community.

Harrison admits that the proliferation of FM is becoming a problem in several areas of the country. Harrison says that he is preparing some information on the subject for the upcoming ARRL Board meeting. He asks the W6YX subscribers for any information that they feel will helpful in addressing this matter.

The weak signal community's is divided. Some want mode specific protection written directly into the FCC Part 97 Amateur Rules. Others take a more moderate view. The suggest a campaign to educate every FMer that bandplans exist and must be respected.

What Action the ARRL Board might take to help rectify this situation is unknown but a call by the League for some sort of educational campaign is the minimum that the non FM hams on the VHF reflector expect.

(Adapted from W6YX VHF Reflector postings, others)

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Yaesu on bandplanning

Meantime, one ham equipment supplier is not waiting for the problem to get any worse. Yaesu USA has decided to supply international bandplanning information in revised issues of instruction manuals that will soon begin being shipped with several VHF and UHF radios.

Quoting from the upcoming FT-847 Instruction Manual:

"Please be certain to respect other amateurs by observing the operating bandplans in your country, and do not use the FM mode in the sub-bands recognized as being reserved for SSB/CW "weak-signal" work. These sub-bands typically may include the frequency ranges 50.0 to 50.5 or 51.0 to 51.125 MHZ, 144.0 to 144.5 MHZ, and 432.0 to 432.6 MHZ, but may be slightly different in your country.

Satellite sub-bands to avoid are 29.3 to 29.5 MHZ, 145.8 to 146.0 MHZ, and 435.0 to 438.0 MHZ.

The communications effectiveness of the amateur service requires the cooperation of all licensees, and operating bandplans have evolved so as to minimize interference among operators using incompatible emission modes such as FM and SSB."

Yaesu's Chip Margelli, K7JA says that the frequencies cited were chosen to represent the best compromises between the North American, European, and pan-Pacific regional bandplans. Margelli says that they should make the point most adequately.

(Via K7JA)

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DXCC changes coming

Some major changes will be taking place in the DXCC program if the ARRL Board of Directors accepts and adopts the report of a special study committee. The DXCC 2000 committee was established by the board and charged with redefining the DX Century Club rules for the year 2000 and beyond. Their interim report makes two key recommendations regarding DXCC country status that will primarily impact on those new hams just starting up the DX countries ladder.

In their interim report, the committee recommended changes to what they say are the two most flawed aspects of what determines a countries eligibility for DXCC credit. They have suggested that to be considered as an ineligible country based on government, that any one of three criteria must be met. Either be a member of the United Nations, be a member of the International Amateur Radio Union or possess an I.T.U. assigned callsign allotment.

The committee also suggests a significant change to the minimum size rule. If adopted as presented in the interim report, for an island to be considered a DXCC country it would have to have at least two points separated by not less than 100 meters of connected land above the high tide mark. And this would have to be proven through the use of charts of sufficient scale.

The committees interim report also recommends some changes to the DXCC award structure with two new awards recommended. These are the DXCC Challenge for total band countries on 6 down to 160 meters, but excluding 30 meters. The other is the DXCC 2000 Award for working at least 100 countries during the year 2000.

The ARRL Board will also be discussing this issue when it meets January 16th and 17th in Connecticut. DXers will be waiting to hear the outcome of their vote on this very important issue.

(Via ARRL)

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Cheap illegal radios

More problems on the horizon for the FCC in the area of CB radio enforcement. This as large numbers of cheap, high power wideband radios capable of transmitting AM, FM and SSB between 25 and 32 MHz illegally make their way into the United States.

According to internet news postings, these are radios that are prevented from being legally imported into the country because they do not meet the conditions for Class D CB operation. The manufacturers call them "Export CB sets." They run higher power than allowed in addition to their wide band multi-mode coverage. Now they are now showing up for pennies on the dollar in the Asian electronics marts. And more than a few are illegally getting to the United States.

Rumors are that many are gray market items that have been illegally imported in large quantity. Others come as unwitting tourists buy them as gifts in Asia and have them shipped back to the United States as a consumer electronics item. Somehow, customs is not picking up on what they really are and they get cleared for delivery.

As a result, more and more such sets are showing up on 11 meter CB as well as outside of CB and into the 10 meter amateur band. When combined with the good skip conditions we are having, you can see why they are popular with the Freeband crowd. Also why there may soon be another CB enforcement crisis for the FCC.

(Via various Internet sources)

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Thomas P. Gammon tentatively fined

Still on the enforcement front, word that the FCC has issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture of $18,500 to Thomas P. Gammon. The FCC says that Gammon is the President of Turquoise Broadcasting, Inc., the permittee of Station KIXF-FM in Baker, California and Licensee of Station KIXW-FM, in Lenwood, California. The FCC charges Gammon with multiple ownership rule violations.

(Via FCC release)

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FCC browser access

The FCC has upped the browser requirements to access the Universal Licensing System registration screen. According to Steven Reed of the FCC's Auctions Technical Support Staff, to access the newest version of the ULS, you will need Netscape 4.0 or higher to use the mapping system. If you are not going to use the mapping system, you can use a Netscape version higher than 3.01. Those wishing to register on the ULS may also complete a paper Form 606 and mail it directly to the FCC.

(Via ARRL)

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Ham hurt in accident

Ron Zond, K3MIY, is reported recovering after being hit by a car in Clarion, Pennsylvania on December 19th. Gus Johnson, N3VNL reports that K3MIY was injured while crossing in a crosswalk. He was taken to Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh via Life Flight suffering injuries to his shoulder and pelvis.

Johnson says that Zond is going to have a long road to recovery. To help, the Amateur Radio operators of Clarion have established the K3MIY Recovery Fund. Donations should be made payable to 'Amateur Radio of Clarion' and sent to:

K3MIY Recovery Fund
c/o Gus Johnson-N3VNL
38 Merle Street
Clarion, PA
16214

(Via N3VNL)

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Club helps handicapped

Members of the Tri State Amateur Radio Association have come to the assistance of a severely handicapped club member. This after mother nature took down his antennas and knocked him off the air.

Club president Raymond Henry, WY2D, tells Newsline that Don May, KC2HV is now back on following repairs to his antennas after a fall windstorm that

hit over 60 miles per hour. The wind gusts were so severe that May's VHF and HF beams were down and his 80 and 40 meter dipole was ripped apart.

May is a double amputee, having lost his legs to diabetes. But his disability has not stood in his way of enjoying ham radio. He is a member of ARES, RACES and was active in MARS. Don is also a member of the Tri State Club and was very active as an officer.

(Via press release)

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73 kHz webpage on-line

Brian Short, K7ON says that he recently volunteered to maintain the 73 Kilohertz webpage and just got around to moving it to a new location. Its URL is:

http://www.qsl.net/k7on/qrp/experim.htm

(Via release)

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SSB Net FN 42

N1VHL reports a new 6 meter SSB net on 50.275 Sunday mornings at 14:30 UTC in Boston, Massachusetts area. That's in grid square FN 42. The net is informal to see how many people can be heard.

(Via N1VHL)

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ARRL Florida seminars

The ARRL will sponsor two technical workshops this February at the Miami Tropical Hamboree and the Orlando Hamcation. In Miami, ARRL Laboratory Supervisor Ed Hare, W1RFI, will present an "RF Safety" session. The Leagues Steve Ford, WB8IMY, along with Barry Baines, WD4ASW, and other AMSAT experts will present "Amateur Satellites -- Today and Into the Future" on February the 13th in Orlando. Space for both workshops is limited and there is a fee for each session. For more information please contact:

Rosalie White, WA1STO
ARRL
225 Main St
Newington, Connecticut
06111

E-Mail: wa1sto@arrl.org

(Via ARRL)

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Houston Net Celebration

January 6th marked the 200th time the Houston AMSAT Net has been transmitted over commercial satellite. You can enjoy the net if you have access to a KU band satellite receiver. Tune it to the Hughes SBS 6 satellite on Transponder 13 B, with 6.2 MHZ wide band audio. If you don't have a satellite receiver but do have a computer with a sound card and real audio software you can get an audio feed at

www.amsatnet.com

(Via KK5DO)

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Sputnik PS2 dead

Reports from around the world appear to confirm that the Sputnik PS2 mini-satellite has stopped transmitting. The beacon signal from the working model of the original Sputnik 1 satellite was last monitored on December 29th or 30th. The battery powered 200 milliwatt transmitter had continued working for eight weeks after its launch by hand from the Russian Mir space station on November 3rd, transmitting a beep-beep tone on 145.82 MHZ.

(Via ARRL, AMSAT, others)

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ARRL honors NASA SAREX commitment

The ARRL has honored NASA for its commitment to youth and to ham radio. This, when General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, presented a plaque from the Leagues' Board of Directors to the space organization in late December.

The plaque thanks the agency for giving Amateur Radio its many opportunities over the past seven years to involve youngsters in educational activities through the Shuttle Amateur Radio or SAREX program. It was presented to NASA Director Dan Goldin and NASA Headquarters education officials.

(Via ARRL)

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RAC Foundation

On the international scene, word that Canada' Manotick Amateur Radio Group, a small but active club with about 30 amateurs south of Ottawa, is the first to make a donation to the New Radio Amateurs of Canada Foundation. In a letter to RAC General Manager Debbie Norman, the club's secretary treasurer, Jim Devenny, VA3HL, presented the national society with a check for $220 Canadian. He has challenged all amateur radio groups and clubs, large and small, as well as individual amateurs, to follow the clubs' lead by contributing to make the RAC Foundation a great success.

(Via RAC)

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RAC seeks views on callsigns

The Callsign Working Group, a joint Industry Canada and Radio Amateurs of Canada has filed its report with the Canadian Amateur Radio Advisory Board. This report deals with the policies and procedures that may be used in the future administration of Canadian Amateur Radio station callsigns.

Radio Amateurs of Canada has been asked by Industry Canada to seek the views of amateurs concerning this important report. RAC says that it will welcome comments and responses to the callsign report by Canadian amateurs before making any formal proposal to Industry Canada.

(Via RAC)

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DX

In DX, The "DX News Sheet" reports that PB0ALB, is planning to be active from Malaysia for six weeks in April and May of 1998 as 9M8CB. Activity will be from Serian on all bands. QSL direct to PB0ALB.

And F2HE, will once again be active as FG/F2HE from the French Guadeloupe island of Les Saintes between February 1st and the 15th. QSL as directed on the air.

FT5ZG has been showing up from Amsterdam and St. Paul Islands on 20 meters around 14.278 MHZ between 15:00 and 16:30 UTC. Sometimes there is a list operation being taken by F5PFP. QSL via F5RQQ.

And the Coast Guard is transferring N2NL to Guam. Dave says he will be there for at least 2 years and hopes to be active as N2NL/KH2 sometime in the spring. He will operate mostly CW and will be active on most bands and in contests.

(Via various DX sources)

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DX names in the news

The North Jersey DX Association has re-elected its incumbent officers to serve for another year. They are President Ben Friedland, K2BF; Vice President John Sawina, NA2R; Treasurer Gene Ingraham, N2BIM and Secretary Bill Hudzuk, W2UDT.

(Via press release)

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KD4WUJ garners 3 Grammy Nominations

And congratulations to country entertainer Patty Loveless, KD4WUJ on her three Grammy nominations. Patty has been nominated for Best Female Country Vocal Performance, Best Country Vocal Collaboration and for her hit album "Long Stretch of Lonesome."

(Via press release)

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Lost and found doggie phone

This from London: The January 2nd edition of "The Sun" newspaper tells the story of a British woman who lost a surprise gift for her roommate. A cellular telephone.

Rachel Murray left the gift under the Christmas tree. Later she found only a pile of torn paper. She immediately suspected that friend Tony Dangerfield's bloodhound, Charlie, was the culprit.

So Murray started a frantic search of their flat. She found nothing but figured that if the phone were somehow turned on, she could dial the number and hope to hear it ringing. So Ms. Murray obtained the number from the telephone company. She dialed it and heard muffled ringing from ... sleeping Charlie's stomach.

At first she thought Charlie was lying on the phone, but then realized where it actually was. So the dog was rushed to a vet for treatment. He told Murray and Dangerfield to let nature take its course. 24 hours later, Charlie was just fine. If you are wonder about the phone, it works just fine too!

(Via The Sun and other published news sources)

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The following is a QST

KB6LQS aborts his attempt to balloon around the world and Canada warns its hams not to violate American radio law when operating in the USA. These stories and more on Newsline report number 1066 coming your way right now!

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Global Hilton fails

American aviator Dick Rutan, KB6LQS and his companion Dave Melton have been forced to abort their around the world balloon flight and parachute to safety. This after a tear developed in the helium compartment of their Global Hilton balloon about an hour after takeoff from Albuquerque, New Mexico on January the 9th.

Two balloonists abandoned their round the world flight just 100 miles from where they had taken off. The then unmanned balloon touched down but bounced back up to 30,000 feet and continued to drift for hours before deflating enough to crash in Texas.

Both Rutan and Melton are now reported to be in good condition after landing 11 miles southeast of Vaughn, New Mexico. Rutan suffered a bloody nose from cactus needles. Melton had to be airlifted to an Albuquerque hospital after striking a cattle fence as he landed. Later reports said he dislocated a hip.

At air time, its unknown if Rutan and Melton will try the record breaking flight again at a later date.

(Via Newsline through published news reports)

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CB and Ham Radio helps in northeast ice storm

A record shattering ice storm paralyzes the northeast U.S. and radio amateurs are on the job helping disaster agencies.

Hams throughout the Northeast respond to an ice storm emergency that left millions of Americans and Canadians without power. The storms's massive power and telephone outages hit hard in New York state, north to the Canadian border, west as far as Watertown, and east to Burlington, Vermont. Widespread power outages were also reported north of the border, with as many as 3 million residents in Southern Quebec affected.

A state of emergency was declared in at least five upstate New York counties. National Guard units were dispatched to hard-hit Plattsburgh January 9th to assist with relief efforts. In Waterford, New York, 50 homes were evacuated where the Mohawk and Hudson rivers meet. From there Kevin Clark, WA2AEY reports that hams in and near Watertown were involved in relief efforts.

"Our amateurs radio operators up here have been doing a great service to the general public up here by helping maintain communications between all the different shelters. A lot of the shelters are in public schools. Our local high school has something like 700 people in shelters there now. And all the surrounding areas, a lot of shelters are set up in volunteer fire halls in all kinds of communities around here." Clark

Clark says nearly 7,000 people were in emergency shelters throughout Jefferson County. He says that the only repeater up and running was 147.375 and that many hams were helping with emergency communications.

"Two meter FM is carrying the majority of the emergency communications for the amateurs around here. And I would say being supplemented by 75 meter sideband nets." Clark

The storm has also taken its toll on antennas. Clark says he has seen many ham antennas down and thinks it will be a miracle if any are left standing. Several large commercial communications towers were also destroyed.

ARES members in Albany County were activated January 8th to help the American Red Cross. April Stack, KA2QIG, reports that a local emergency net was operating on the 147.12 MHZ repeater, while neighboring Schenectady County ARES ran a flood watch emergency net on the 147.06 MHZ repeater.

The 145.39 Mount Equinox, Vermont, repeater was also used to relay information to New York's northern counties when HF cannot be utilized. HF communications began January 8th on 7255 kHz, and later moved to 3993.5 kHz.

Hams were stationed at the Albany, New York, Red Cross Chapter House, the National Weather Service in Albany, and at the New York State Emergency Management Office, as well as at designated sites along the Mohawk River. Hams were keeping in contact with Red Cross officials in Plattsburgh. Damage assessment was expected to continue at least for a week.

Albany County operations were by ARES Emergency Coordinator George Odom, KB2SIY. Fifty ham radio operators who are Civil Air Patrol members from downstate New York State were summoned to the stricken area. They acted as relief communicators for ongoing CAP search operations.

Nor are hams alone in providing assistance to the stricken area. In Maine, the Road Watchers CB Club has been active. Club members searched rural areas on foot looking for stranded motorists, broken power poles and damaged transmission lines. The CBers found over a dozen victims and counted over three hundred poles and several power transmission towers that had fallen under load of ice.

(Via Newsline with information supplied by ARRL, CAP, Repeater Owners Remailer, WA2AEY and published news reports.)

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Canadian warning

A warning to Canadian operating in the United States. Do not operate out of band when visiting the lower 48.

That alert comes Radio Amateurs of Canada. RAC is the Canadian national Amateur Radio Society. It issued the warning after being advised that Canadian amateurs visiting the south-east United States have been heard operating portable and mobile on 75 meter SSB between 3.725 and 3.750 MHZ. This says RAC is a violation of United States Part 97 rules.

Radio Amateurs of Canadian warns all foreign amateurs including Canadians who intend to operate in the United States that they must comply with United States radio regulations. This says RAC includes sub-band

restrictions.

United States amateurs are not permitted to operate on phone below 3.750 MHZ. Neither are foreign hams who are visiting the USA.

(Via Radio Amateurs Canada)

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Vanity Gate 4 Apps flood FCC

The flood gates have opened to Gate 4 of the Vanity Callsign program.

As expected the FCC opened Gate 4 on Thursday, January 4th issuing approximately 600 new amateur Vanity Callsigns. The FCC reports that during December it received 497 paper applications along with 1873 electronic applications.

In addition to the 600 Gate 4 Callsigns issued, the FCC assigned an additional 300 Gate 4 applications to the work in process file and all of those have been processed.

The FCC issued an additional 79 Gate 4 Vanity Callsigns on January 8th. The FCC began accepting Gate 4 applications on Friday, December 2nd.

(Via FCC Release, Amateur News Weekly)

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FM reacts to weak signal

Amateur Radio FM interests are already vowing a fight to keep access to all the VHF and UHF spectrum that they now have. This following last weeks report that non-FM interests on the VHF and UHF bands may seek restrictions on where FM can and cannot be used.

The non-FM'ers say that the users of the fun mode are ignoring established ARRL approved band plans. That they are popping up wherever they please and destroying the ability of other hams to enjoy their modes.

But some vocal FM'ers say that it's the utility of FM in day to day communications that makes it so valuable to every ham. This, regardless what frequency is being used as long as its one that's legal in the FCC's Part 97 rules.

Other FM enthusiasts are going a lot farther. They are saying that they did not write the bandplans, that they are not members of the ARRL and that they cannot be forced to abide by them.

The ARRL Board of Directors is expected to at least look at the problem of FM incursion into what's traditionally been non-FM spectrum at it holds its first meeting of 1998. That conference is taking place as we go to air. We will have a full report on this and other board actions, next week.

(Via Newsline)

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Metroplex at 20

The Metroplex Amateur Communications Association is celebrating its 20th anniversary. The club operates repeaters in the greater New York City and Northern New Jersey area. According to club president Alex Magocsi, W2OV, this makes Metroplex one of the nations longest surviving repeater oriented radio clubs.

"We roughly have 40 percent of the membership in New York state, another 40 percent in New Jersey, the state of New Jersey and the last 20 percent spread across the United States. And above 8 percent of that across the rest of the world." Magosci

Magosci says that Metroplex recently signed up its 803 member making it the second largest amateur repeater club in the United States. Metroplex was also one of the first clubs to sponsor a remotely located Newsline telephone feed. It did so for several years back in the early 1980's.

(Via Newsline and Metroplex)

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Digital linking

And speaking about FM, the editor of CQ VHF magazine is interested in contacting hams who are using digital audio communications to directly link two or more FM voice repeaters. We are not talking about repeater links that use Internet Phone on the world wide web. Rather, Rich Moseson, W2VU, is interested in hearing from any hams who convert their repeaters audio into a digital datastream and then modulate an RF carrier with that data for repeater linking purposes. If you have been successful in using this technology or are even experimenting with it, please e-mail him at:

w2vu@aol.com

(Via Newsline, W2VU)

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Part 18 waiver request

The FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology has acted to extend the comment period for a waiver request by EADP Technomed Incorporated. The company is asking a waiver of the Part 18 radiated emission limits. The new commentary cutoff date is February 5th with reply comments due no later than February 20th.

(Via FCC Release, PDX SBE)

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AES sold

On the business scene, word that Amateur Electronic Supply has changed hands. As of January 1st, the new owner is Amateur Electronic Supply LLC,

headed by Wisconsin businessman Phil Majerus.

Now in its 41st year, AES was founded in 1957 by Terry Sterman, W9DIA. Sterman became interested in ham radio by working in his dad's electronics shop.

(Via ARRL)

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Cobra wins major awards

Also Cobra Electronics has won six 1998 Innovation Awards for product excellence from the Design and Engineering Honors Program, sponsored by the Electronics Industries Association. Among the products recognized for design and engineering are two of Cobra's new six band radar detectors, a new line of CB microphones, its CP-2530 cordless telephone, one of its CB radios and its FRS-200 Family Radio Service communicator. The winning products were displayed at the 1998 International Winter Consumer Electronics Show last week in Las Vegas.

(Via Cobra Electronics press release)

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Japanese wristwatch telephone

A mobile telephone the size of a wristwatch has been developed by the Japanese state telephone company and will be tested at the Winter Olympics. According to the publication Electronic Telegraph, the new phone uses voice-recognition to overcome the problem of having a keyboard too small for fingers.

Its designer is the Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation. A company representative says that they could have shrunk a phone to matchbox size some time ago, but suitable voice-recognition technology has only recently become available.

(Via Mary Shea, CGC Communicator)

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MARS changing with the times

MARS, the Military Affiliate Radio System is changing. It may not be using Morse code very much these days, but it is keeping up with the times.

"Any other affiliates on frequency? ..."

That's the man from MARS. Ed Woods, is known to his Hoosier ham friends as WD9DVA. But today he is working the low bands, making phone patches.

Ed is one of several dozen amateur radio operators across the country that operate on special frequencies set aside for Air Force Military Amateur Radio. Even with todays modern communications, these dedicated hams spend costless hours passing health and welfare traffic for America's Military.

"Until Desert Storm we never had air to ground phone patches. It was always point to point. In other words, we would phone patch into the states from Germany, from Vietnam, from the Philippines, from Hawaii, from Greece, various places like that." Woods

"This is Bruce calling from over the Caribbean at about 20,000 feet and just wanted to let you know that we're back at home around 5:30."

Another GI able to phone home.

Thanks to the changes in military regulations, its now even possible for a GI to reach out and touch someone at home while flying over the oceans.

(Via Amateur News Weekly)

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DARA nominations open

The nominating period for the Dayton Amateur Radio Associations' Radio Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement and Technical Excellence Awards is now open.

The Radio Amateur of the Year is awarded to the person who has made a long term or lifelong commitment to the advancement of amateur radio. The Special Achievement usually goes to an individual who has spearheaded a single significant Amateur Radio related project. The Technical Excellence is for the person who has provided outstanding technical advancement in the field of amateur radio.

No special nominating form is needed. Simply send letters of nomination to:

Hamvention Awards
P.O.Box 964
Dayton, Ohio 45401

(Via Newsline, DARA)

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Nominations open for Maxim Memorial Award

The nominating period is also now open for the ARRL's annual Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award. The award is given annually to the licensed radio amateur under the age of 21 whose accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of Amateur Radio activities.

Formal nominations are made by Section Managers. Supporting information, including the endorsement of ARRL affiliated clubs and elected or appointed League Leadership officials, should be submitted with the nomination.

Nominations should be sent to the Section Manager who must forward them to ARRL Headquarters by March 31st. There is no limit to the number of nominations one may make.

(Via ARRL)

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DX

In DX, word that W2KKZ/J7 will be operating from Dominica from March 1st through the 8th. He will be active for only part of the ARRL DX SSB Contest weekend on 80 through 10 meters CW and SSB. QSL's go to the home call direct or via the bureau.

And LA6WEA reports that there are hardly any times available during the winter season that Norwegian stations can work the U.S. stations during their sunrise. He says that at 55 degrees north latitude that they are in greyline or darkness 24 hours. Ken mentions that he will be active almost every day from 11:00-15:00 UTC along with a couple of other Scandinavian stations. Look for them from 3.780 to 3.799 MHZ.

And The 599 DX Report says that VE3MR, will be active from Aruba as P40MR until late April. He operates only SSB. QSL direct to VE3MR.

(Via various DX news sources)

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TS-440 on line

Ever wonder what DX sounds like in another part of the country? Now you can find out on the world wide web thanks to Bob Arnold, N2JEU. Bob has connected a high frequency receiver to his website in New York and it lets you listen, worldwide:

"I've added a computer controlled Kenwood TS-440 transceiver in listen only mode. Users connecting to the site with a web browser and the RealPlayers software from RealNetworks can tune the radio to any frequency between about 500 kHz and about 30 MHz and change the mode from upper sideband, lower sideband, AM, CW and FM. All remote controlled and then listen to the resulting audio via a RealAudio near real time link." Arnold

If you want to try this novel internet high frequency receiver simply visit Bobs website at:

www.ralabs.com

(Via Newsline)

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With thanks to the ARRL, the CGC Communicator and the Portland SBE News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline. You can write to us at:

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF at our editors desk, we at Newsline say 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1765. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6a1l90$pii@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181097
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
>wrote:

>>Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any
>>Lids there?

>> Sure there are bad ops on hf.

>> But most of them are on phone not
>>CW.

>how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
>feeling against others by the use of CW.

Sure it is Cutie Boy, .._. .._ and it's much faster than on voice.....

73, Jim KH2D

1766. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: roland.stiner@relaynet.org
Message-ID: <8E7A4E1.04B300AA0B.uuout@relaynet.org>
Source record: 181098

KN>If things continue at their current pace, there will be almost 1,000,000
>licensed amateurs in 2008 (if we linearly extrapolate current annual
>growth of 30k amateurs for 10 years).

How many of them are on the air?

 OLX 1.53 Private Reply? E-Mail Me At: NK2U@JUNO.COM

1767. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark <jdr@jdrs.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <0mITgVA826w0EwMI@jdrs.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 181099

In article <34bc4441.7584683@newshost.capecod.net>, Gareth Crispell
<gareth@capecod.net> writes
>Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>spread?
>I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>this is no longer considered true.

I Completely agree,
The 6kc 'rule' seems to be laughed at by (far too many)
eastern european operators especially, every year more and more people
set up station and eventually we are going to run out of space.

A friend of mine is into CB (gulp) and even he commented how close and
bad mannered some Hams can be - *even* CB users seem to operate
every 5kc's or so, ... now *thats* a bad omen.

I am disgusted at some stations, honestly,
i'm not saying i'm a perfect op, ' cause i'm NOT,
but the illusion of friendly Hams
is fast disappearing .... many stations just end up turning up the mic
gain etc and ** have ** to be the loudest signal on the band.

It seems to be an ego thing - like 'my computers better than yours' type of
thing.... sad,.

these stations seem to be just showing off, how much
equipment they can afford to buy, and demonstrating a lack of
knowledge and skill in operating it. and just trying to put down
smaller operators, as a sort of ego - trip and that really
has no place at all in Ham Radio. at all.

Sorry if i seem to have got up on my soapbox, but it does seem that theres 2
types of Hams ..... ones who care about Ham Radio, - for what it is,...
and others who dont think about Ham Radio ... but i may be wrong :))

73's and Have Fun

De Mark G0YNM
jdr@jdrs.demon.co.uk

Mark

1768. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <69vues$jdh@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181135
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

>Tim Hynde wrote:
>> In the above you claim to have known 80% prior to test day and then
>> studied the remaining 20% just prior to taking the test.

>Hi Tim, knowing that he's learning English, it's pretty easy to
>figure out what he meant. He, most likely, didn't mean 20% but
>instead, meant 20 characters. Then everything else makes sense.
>Instead of jumping on an obvious literal misuse of English, how
>about trying to understand what he meant?

Cec, what then were the 80 "characters" Masa referred to?
Jeff KH2PZ

1769. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C3AB69.17F6@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181136
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

M Johnson wrote:
> If we get bozos like the Liberty Net clowns or the ops that try to jam
> them now, think how bad it would be without the requirement to filter out some
> of the trash. Does the garbage you hear on 11 meters ring a bell?

Hi Mark, I do believe all those "bozos" are coded HF hams. I have never
heard anything on CB as bad as the Liberty Net. I personally wish we
could replace the Liberty Net with a few pedal-to-the-metal CBers.
10-4, Good Buddy? :-)
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1770. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6a08jp$6qc$1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 181137

In article <885220193.239534093@dejanews.com>, K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
>Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>
>> I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
>> my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
>> letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
>> early radio amateurs.
>
>Bad history! Hiram Percy Maxim, (Not Hiram "A").
>
>73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

---------- But maybe the shortened version of the first name: HirAM.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

1771. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34C368C1.A6E8AA38@shore.net>
Source record: 181138
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Tim Hynde wrote:

> Travis Hayes wrote:
>
> > >
> > > And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> > > since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> > > directive in place which already says "No."
> > >
> > > Ed
> > > WB6WSN
> >
> > And besides that, there's that pesky FCC that says you can't do it at all.
>
> What FCC regulation says I can't transmit from an aircraft or other at 30,000 ft?

Try FAR Part 91.
--
jim :) -=wk1v=-
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, EC
Class of 1984

1772. Q: mike/ear phone for radios

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: djd@saul7.u.washington.edu
Message-ID: <7fqyb0cxo5l.fsf@saul7.u.washington.edu>
Source record: 181139

Hello, I'm looking into getting a couple of portable radios for use in climbing. I tried some of the cheap Radio shack ones and they didn't last long and the headset keep getting knocked off. Right now I'm looking into one of the Motoroa handhelds...I have seen in a couple of movies that the actors (cops or miltary) had something that looked like a throat mike, elastic band thing with a ear piece that fit inside the ear with a small clip on the outside of your ear lobe to keep it in place. Does something like this exist? I'm guessing that real life police/miltary have something like this and it would be able to take all kinds of weather and/or abuse. Any pointers, suggestions would be greastly appreciated. Please respond directly to djd@u.washington.edu. Thanks.

David

1773. CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Smith <bs@BSartist.com>
Message-ID: <6a0bup$jcb@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181140

Folks,
I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also have a technician class license that does not allow me to transmit below 50MHz.

Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?

--
Bill Smith
bs@BSartist.com
http://bsartist.com
n2asa

1774. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Smith <bs@BSartist.com>
Message-ID: <6a0cke$jcb@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181141

Rest assured that the vanity program was intended in large part as a
revenue generator for the FCC. So of the $50, only part covers the cost of
administering the program. Stands to reason they will want the revenue
upon renewal as well.

Same thing with vanity licence plates - even though they only stamp 'em
once.

--
Bill Smith
bs@BSartist.com
http://bsartist.com
n2asa

>
> Actually, I understand that the fee was supposed to be a "user fee" to
> cover the cost of the program. Once the new call is in the data base,
> the cost to the FCC of a renewal is no different whether it is vanity
> or not vanity.
>

1775. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34C3D2E2.4C17@no.net>
Source record: 181142

Bill Smith wrote:
>
> Folks,
> I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also have a
> technician class license that does not allow me to transmit below 50MHz.
>
> Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like
> CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?
>
> --
> Bill Smith
> bs@BSartist.com
> http://bsartist.com
> n2asa

Not sure exactly what you are asking here. The 23 channels in your cb
radio are cb frequencies, not ham frequencies, and you can use it there
just like any cb radio. Your ham license has nothing to do with
operating on cb.

1776. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34C3B891.2045@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181143

> "Bill Smith" <bs@BSartist.com> wrote...
>
> I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also
> have a technician class license that does not allow me to transmit
> below 50MHz.
>
> Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they
> treated like CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?

REPLY...

You can use your CB radio to transmit, with SSB, in the HF Citizen's Band.

You just cannot use your Amateur radio license to transmit, using that same mode, in the HF Amateur bands.

Ironic, isn't it? You have more HF privileges using a CB then you do with a Technician class license in Amateur radio.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1777. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2d62ddca922bc1989941@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34c3419a.681906@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham says...
> On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 06:20:15 GMT, wa2ise@netcom.com (Robert Casey) wrote:
>
> >Besides, most sysops review packet postings before releasing them for >distribution, to protect their license and the system.
>
>
> oh... so they are screening...

Of course they do. I do. I check every FORSALE message that's forwarded to me. Only those directly related to amateur radio are passed through. No guns for sale, no modified CB's for sale, no cars (and you'd be very surprised how much non amateur related crap gets posted. Personally, I don't allow any religious materials or cookbook recipes as well. AND...there are several inDUHviduals who I have locked out of MY system. There were responsible for a number of personal attacks as well as posting a number of offensive messages. AND BEFORE YOU START SCREAMING 1ST AMENDMENTS RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, REMEMBER THIS...I did nothing to prevent these inDUHviduals from spouting their inane remarks/messages, that is their right, but there is absolutely nothing that says I have to supply them the soapbox upon which they stand.

--
Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

1778. Re: Digital modes in Novice subbands? Why?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: n8blk@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119211100.QAA20421@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181145

In article <69thum$ceh@sjx-ixn4.ix.netcom.com>, au@ix.netcom.com(au) writes:

>I've heard 40 meter packet stations take over the bottom 5-10 khz of the 40
>meter Novice subband lately. Now after tuning through the 80 band, there is
>a loud (in Oregon anyway) new mode on 3700 which is dead center of the
>subband. The Novices only have 50 khz to begin with on each of these >bands.
>Has it become common practice to operate within the Novice bands?

First, if you're hearing hams outside the U.S., there is no reason to
expect said hams to have any knowledge of U.S. band limitations. Second,
for the most part, the novice bands in the U.S. aren't limited to A1 signals,
so other lawful signals by hams can be sent if not interfering with other
lawful signals. Third, the novice bands are not heavily used anymore, and
all of that bandwidth is going to waste otherwise. Fourth, this is a society
which has an attitude that if it doesn't negatively affect me, I'm going to
do it, even if others suffer. Thus, even if a novice or technician plus
licensee
in the U.S. does suffer, there is little that can be lawfully done. Of course,
with DSP processing, most such digital signals can be easily gotten
rid of if you want to use A1 in the novice bands too. At let's say 8 wpm,
it's easy to filter out digital signals not directly on your frequency, or use
a narrow bandwidth filter to do much of the same.

I'm not sure there is a perfect solution. Perhaps, novice bands will be more
heavily used as HF frequencies get better propagation, and it will become
more difficult to take over the novice bands with a digital signal, or
alternatively,
the ARRL suggestion that the novice bands disappear will be implemented, and
digital operators of one kind or another will have access to that
bandwidth unimpeded by having to consider cw. Either way, it's doubtful
that appeals to agreements, or good sense on the part of hams will solve
the problem. Have any doubt, listen to a dx pileup for an Italian amateur!

-art clemons-

1779. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C3C448.3E5E06DF@flash.net>
Source record: 181146

JJ Martin wrote:

> Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> > Travis Hayes wrote:
> >
> > > >
> > > > And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> > > > since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> > > > directive in place which already says "No."
> > > >
> > > > Ed
> > > > WB6WSN
> > >
> > > And besides that, there's that pesky FCC that says you can't do it at all.
> >
> > What FCC regulation says I can't transmit from an aircraft or other at 30,000 ft?
>
> Try FAR Part 91.

Ok, but my question was what FCC regulation says I can't transmit? You referred me to an FAA regulation, which clearly describes that the determination of paragraph (b) (5) shall be made by the PIC. Since I'm the PIC I have determined that my HT will not cause interference to my navigational or communications system on the aircraft, VFR or IFR. Do you interpret this another way?

Tim, ka8ddz

From FAR Part 91

Sec. 91.21 Portable electronic devices.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no person may operate, nor may any operator or pilot in command of an aircraft allow the operation of, any portable electronic device on any of the following U.S.-registered civil aircraft:
(1) Aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier operating certificate or an operating certificate; or
(2) Any other aircraft while it is operated under IFR.
(b) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to--
(1) Portable voice recorders;
(2) Hearing aids;
(3) Heart pacemakers;
(4) Electric shavers; or
(5) Any other portable electronic device that the operator of the aircraft has determined will not cause interference with the navigation or

communication system of the aircraft on which it is to be used.
(c) In the case of an aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier operating certificate or an operating certificate, the determination required by paragraph (b)(5) of this section shall be made by that operator of the aircraft on which the particular device is to be used. In the case of other aircraft, the determination may be made by the pilot in command or other operator of the aircraft.

>

1780. 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu
Message-ID: <6a0f98$ejk@news.cc.oberlin.edu>
Source record: 181147

This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the channel. I'll be monitoring 147.525 in my home state, Ohio, which has 15 KHz channel spacing, and hear squelch breaking from time to time when other Ohio ops ragchew on 147.520, which is 5 KHz shy of where they should be, in Ohio. I know there's yet to be any uniformity of channel spacing, with neighboring Michigan having 20 KHz spaces, and I feel sorry for 2m ops near the OH-MI border. I've tried to tactfully mention to the offending ops that they're 5 off but they refuse to change their ways, one saying there's no law that says he can't be off-channel, and of course he's right. This happens in other places on 2m, where ops seem to land willy-nilly on a freq and set up camp, to the annoyance of those using channelized freqs the way suggested by the Gentlemen's Agreements. Any advice on how to go about persuading these ops to bump it up, or down, as the case may be? I suppose we could move our ragchew freq and avoid the problem that way, but darn it! what's wrong with these people anyway? Thanks for listening, I feel much better, and it could be much worse--it could be Southern California :^) --Bill KB8USZ william.a.ruth@oberlin.edu

1781. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C3C74D.1F3A@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181148
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
> Cec, what then were the 80 "characters" Masa referred to?
> Jeff KH2PZ

Hi Jeff, it was obvious that his choice of words was not accurate. I offered one
possible explaination. Here's what he was trying to say.

>> what I was trying to say: many people take one month to learn morse
>> and if I can do it in one day, why should I get blamed ?? why
>> should I get blamed if I can complete my advanced in three days ?
>> I am sorry, but I am as slow as you are.

I quessed wrong - It was a rhetorical question - *If* he could learn Morse code
in one day then ... It was the same question that I asked previously. Am I
an undesirable member of the ARS because I passed the advanced exam on a whim one
day in San Francisco without any effort or studying and without opening a book
of any kind?
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1782. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C3C874.DFF4080D@flash.net>
Source record: 181149
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:

> Jeffrey Herman wrote:
> > Cec, what then were the 80 "characters" Masa referred to?
> > Jeff KH2PZ
>
> Hi Jeff, it was obvious that his choice of words was not accurate. I
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> previously.
> Am I an undesirable member of the ARS because I passed the advanced exam on
> a
> whim one day in San Francisco without any effort or studying and without
> opening
> a book of any kind?

Nooo, he's not undesireable because he passed the code test on a whim one
day, he's just a liar.

Tim, ka8ddz

1783. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: lent <gte900f@gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <34C3CC81.6F1F3AEF@acme.gatech.edu>
Source record: 181150
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

> Try it using antennas of the same *physical* size on the two bands.
> You may then be surprised to find out that 70cm will work better than
> 2m in most situations. The difference in path loss between the two
> bands is almost completely due to the difference in effective aperture
> of antennas of the same *electrical* size used on the two bands.
>
> In other words, if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on
> each band, it should come as no surprise that the three times
> smaller 70cm antenna will capture less signal power. But if you
> use antennas of the same physical size on each band, the "path
> loss" for the two will also be the same.
>
> The reason for this is that the signal spreads out in a spherical
> wavefront from the transmission point. At a given distance, there
> will be a certain signal strength in volts per meter. For the same
> transmit ERP, this will be the same on 2m and on 70cm. But if
> your antenna is only a third as many meters long, it will capture
> only a third as many volts. That's why the "path loss" is different
> for the two bands. It really has nothing to do with attenuation
> through the transmission medium, it is just geometry at work.
>
> (Note that there are differences in the attenuation of various
> transmission mediums, IE trees, walls, etc, at the various
> frequencies too, but that is typically a minor effect compared
> to the difference in antenna aperture.)
>

Thanks for the info regarding antenna aperature. I get to add some theory to my practical skeleton. :) I enjoy playing with antennas and have come up with some crazy designs, but this is what I have tried so far with antennas and it seems that there must be something else to it. I have experimented with and Alinco DJ-560, Yeasu HT (also dual bander), and an FT-5100 mobile (all radios are dual banders). For antennas I have used the stock antenna for the yeasu HT, an 11 in. dual band rubber duck, a Cushcraft dual band mag. mount mobile (approx. 5/8 on 2m), Pro Am dual band mag. mount mobile (approx. 1/4 on 2m) and a homebrew 440 stacked vertical consisting of a J-pole with three extra 5/8 wave elements stacked, (It is one long wire with the fed end as a J-pole, then 3/8 wave length of wire bend horizontally then a 5/8 wave vertical element, repeat this 2 more times. It is a modification of a high gain stacked 2m j-pole plan I saw in the antenna handbook. Total antenna length is 5-6 ft.) and a 5/8 over a 1/4 wave 2m (about 7ft. long). Unfortunately I can only guess at the radiation patterns for my antennas.

When I tested 2m and 440 in the World Congress center we used the dual band HTs, one stock rubber duck and the 11 in. dual band rubber duck. So the antenna aperture was

the same for both bands. 2m performed significantly better. Enough so that it could not have been attributed to happenstance.

I have experimented with the homebrew 440 and a dual band mobile. (ie drive around and try the different bands) 440 hardly would make it 1 mile. 2m 5 mile or more. Between cars the band performance has been similar. (two dual band radios and dual band antennas)

My experiments are not well designed, but they have been generally convincing to me. The unknowns are the radiation patterns of the antennas (but usually the 440 antennas should have had more relative gain (ie more elements) compared to the 2m antennas). I also don't know what kind of performance loss is incurred when using a dual band antenna. Also maybe the radios have radically different sensitivity for each band, but I think not.

> >With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?
> >10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G
>
> The *physically* bigger the antenna, the less "path loss" it will have.
> So if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on each of these
> bands, 10m will be best and 1.2 GHz will be the worst. If you use
> antennas of the same physical size on each band, however, 1.2 GHz
> will be best and 10m worst. (That's because the electrically larger
> 1.2 GHz *transmit* antenna will put more ERP toward the horizon.
> Couple that with the now equal aperture of the receive antennas,
> and the higher frequency works better.)
>

In mountainous areas wouldn't the lower bands perform better? I want the signal to bend over the ridges and bounce into the valleys. Don't higher frequencies tend to be more absorbable and less bouncy and bendable?

Thanks!
KS4TY

1784. YAESU FTH-2010 - help need!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: lukomorie@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <885248836.1772224519@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181151
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hello, All!

I am radioamateur, and I buy used FTH-2010 some times last. For programming subj on amateur frequencies I can use only cloning method, because a not have soft and interface cable for programming from computer. May be You know any info about this ? I can buy soft and interface cable scheme(or Service manual) at small price (exchange also possible- russian power tubes,components,software etc.). I live in Minsk, Belorussia . Need any information about subj. who can help me? Please, e-mail me on stas_d@chat.ru Best regards and beforehand thanks!

Stanislav E. Demin EU1SD

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1785. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C3D502.8B1CCCF6@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181152
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

W6RCA wrote:

> Hi Mark, I do believe all those "bozos" are coded HF hams. I have never
> heard anything on CB as bad as the Liberty Net. I personally wish we
> could replace the Liberty Net with a few pedal-to-the-metal CBers.
> 10-4, Good Buddy? :-)
> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

Hi Cecil. Yep they are coded hams and so are the bozos jamming them. I don't know about out where you are but if you tune around 11 meters in these parts you are going to hear the same garbage with many times the number of operators. Heck they make the lib net sound like a church social. I really think that the effort it takes to learn CW and pass the code test tends to weed out a lot of the sorts we hear on 3950. But like with any group of people we have our bad apples. Maybe the CW issue does need to be addressed but before we do, lets get some way of getting the garbage off the air that is there now and some way to keep it off later if we get a flood of new ops from reduction in CW requirements. I am not saying that new hf no-code ops will all be bad ops but I do think the percentage of bad ops will go up. Maybe just because of the numbers. But also because the privileges will be easier to get so some folks will abuse the privilege.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1786. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34c3c327.7237746@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181153

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:

>Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW (who never allows his students to use anything
>but pencil and paper; M@s@ had better never take any math class
>from me)

They have to do the math in Roman Numerals, too, no doubt. Do you
also make them tell time with a sundial?
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1787. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c3dc2d.995935@news.total.net>
Source record: 181154

On 19 Jan 1998 20:10:01 GMT, "Bill Smith" <bs@BSartist.com> wrote:

>Folks,
> I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also have a
>technician class license that does not allow me to transmit below 50MHz.
>
> Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like
>CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?
>
>--
>Bill Smith
>bs@BSartist.com
>http://bsartist.com
>n2asa

I don't think you can transmit by using old CB rig.

... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is it possible to
transmit anything today ?? no... same concept.

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1788. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c3dba5.859655@news.total.net>
Source record: 181155
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

>Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any
>Lids there?

> Sure there are bad ops on hf.

> But most of them are on phone not
>CW.

how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
feeling against others by the use of CW.

> If we get bozos like the Liberty Net clowns or the ops that try to jam
>them now, think how bad it would be without the requirement to filter out some
>of the trash. Does the garbage you hear on 11 meters ring a bell?

>Before we do anything to eliminate the CW requirement on hf something MUST be
>done to enforce illegal operations on the ham bands.
> Otherwise the only thing
>you will hear on any band will be the "liberty nets".

really ? I don't hear any liberty nets on 2m repeaters in montreal
area.

> Lets clean up the
>garbage on the bands and then address the CW issues.

trusting that CW cleans up the jerks is the problem.

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1789. Re: M@s@'s signatures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c3ddb2.1385529@news.total.net>
Source record: 181156
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 09:05:29 -0800, Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
wrote:

>> GOOD GRIEF !
>> How many French-speaking readers might this group have, since
>> French is spoken routinely in only the following countries...

>C'est une groupe internationale, et on peut s'exprimer en
>n'importe quelle langue. Si tu ne comprends pas, c'est
>dommage...

>Laura Halliday "Les cigognes se sont envolees
>ve7ldh@direct.ca Est-ce que nos promesses seront eternelles?
>Grid: CN89mg Les tournesols se sont refermes
>(Chenevez/Laporte) Peut-etre la vie est-elle encore belle."

Merci pour votre commentaire.

�galement nous pouvons nous servir de tous les langages sur n'importe
quelles fr�quences par radio d'amateur. Quelqu'un peut parler le
langage autre qu'anglais ou le Fran�ais sur votre r�p�teur local de
2m, et vous ne devriez pas vous plaindre quand elle ainsi.

Je crois que beaucoup de gens dans ce newsgroup parlent fran�ais, mais
nous tends � pr�f�rer l'anglais.

Merci !!

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1790. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: mb@nac.net
Message-ID: <mb-1901981809040001@nac-wsh4-s21-115k.nac.net>
Source record: 181157

In article <6a0cke$jcb@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, "Bill Smith"
<bs@BSartist.com> wrote:

> Rest assured that the vanity program was intended in large part as a
> revenue generator for the FCC. So of the $50, only part covers the cost of
> administering the program. Stands to reason they will want the revenue
> upon renewal as well.

> Same thing with vanity licence plates - even though they only stamp 'em
> once.

In New Jersey, a state famous for high taxes and costs, you pay a one time
fee for personalized plates. After the initial fee, you pay the regular
registration renewal.
--
_____________M_a_r_k___S___B_o_n_d____W_2_M_B__

1791. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Smith <bs@BSartist.com>
Message-ID: <6a0nik$7mp@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181158

I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
frequency because of the mode.
--
Bill Smith
bs@BSartist.com
http://bsartist.com
n2asa

> Not sure exactly what you are asking here. The 23 channels in your cb
> radio are cb frequencies, not ham frequencies, and you can use it there
> just like any cb radio. Your ham license has nothing to do with
> operating on cb.
>

1792. Re: Digital modes in Novice subbands? Why?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119234000.SAA12990@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181159

>Now after tuning through the
>80 band, there is a loud (in Oregon anyway) new mode on 3700 which
>is dead center of the subband.

I heard that signal last nite for the first time, and it was very loid here in Colorado, too.

Because that portion of 80m is sgared with point-to-point stations in So. America, I assumed it to be commercial. I know that I didin't recognize the mode.

KMB

1793. Re: PROOF that upgrading amateurs do not want to mess with Morse

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a0es8$sgv@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181160

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
<nothing of interest>

Say Drew (aka Spew & CB Bimbo), your subject line title above is a bit contradictory, wouldn't you agree? How does an upgrading amateur avoid "mess(ing) with Morse"? Are they bribing the VEs?
Jeff KH2PZ

1794. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bruce Talkington <n4zez@alaweb.com>
Message-ID: <34C3E3DE.7EF8@alaweb.com>
Source record: 181161

Glenn, AA5PK wrote:
>
> > So does anybody know the e-mail address for these nattering nabobs of
> > misinformation?
>
> It's http://www.tvguide.com

I appreciate the url for these guys. I posted and message to them about this mess and EVERY ham ought to do the same...

--
Bruce Talkington....N4ZEZ....Andalusia, Alabama 36420
Visit my Web Page @ <http://www.alaweb.com/~n4zez/index.html>
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@
<http://www.alaweb.com/~n4zez/schedule.html>

1795. Opions TS570S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bruce Talkington <n4zez@alaweb.com>
Message-ID: <34C3E485.3EC@alaweb.com>
Source record: 181162

I am still tryng to make up my mind about a new hf rig, one with 6
meters and am looking now real serious at the Kenwood TS570S.

Does anyone have and use the rig, and if so I would appreciate your
reviews, comments and complaints about it..
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Bruce Talkington....N4ZEZ....Andalusia, Alabama 36420
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1796. Re: 29MHz AM, Calling QRG, channels and so on.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119234600.SAA23344@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181163

Most of the AM activity(legal activity!) is clustered at-and above- 29mHz, as you noticed. 29mHz would be a good calling freq.

As most of these oprs are OT's, they do some tuning around their calling freq., so its less important to be exactly any freq.

KMB

1797. Re: Martin Luther King Day Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119234700.SAA14113@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181164

>Just wanted to wish everyone out there in USENET land a very happy, extremely
>merry Martin Luther King Day...and a reminder to be sure and celebrate this
>important holiday in an appropriate manner :-)

Yeah, I went to work!

K MB

1798. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34cfdfbc.14556147@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 181165
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kf2ti@planet.net (Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ)) wrote:

>Of course they do. I do. I check every FORSALE message that's forwarded
>to me. Only those directly related to amateur radio are passed through.
>No guns for sale, no modified CB's for sale, no cars (and you'd be very
>surprised how much non amateur related crap gets posted. Personally, I
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>supply them the soapbox upon which they stand.

Ah, another Lockout Lid. Thanks ever so much for helping to kill ham
packet radio.

You'd be more than welcome to post any inane remark, personal attack,
religious comment, or cookbook recipe on our system. You could even
advertise a CB set, modified or otherwise. Thanks in large part to
people like you, however, the network is in such bad shape that you'll
probably never get the chance to do so.
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glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

1799. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Richard L. Tannnehill" <rickw7rt@firstinter.net>
Message-ID: <34C3F50E.7293@firstinter.net>
Source record: 181166
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

lent wrote:
>
> > Try it using antennas of the same *physical* size on the two bands.
> > You may then be surprised to find out that 70cm will work better than
> > 2m in most situations. The difference in path loss between the two
> > bands is almost completely due to the difference in effective aperture
> > of antennas of the same *electrical* size used on the two bands.
> >
> > In other words, if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on
> > each band, it should come as no surprise that the three times
> > smaller 70cm antenna will capture less signal power. But if you
> > use antennas of the same physical size on each band, the "path
> > loss" for the two will also be the same.
> >
> > The reason for this is that the signal spreads out in a spherical
> > wavefront from the transmission point. At a given distance, there
> > will be a certain signal strength in volts per meter. For the same
> > transmit ERP, this will be the same on 2m and on 70cm. But if
> > your antenna is only a third as many meters long, it will capture
> > only a third as many volts. That's why the "path loss" is different
> > for the two bands. It really has nothing to do with attenuation
> > through the transmission medium, it is just geometry at work.
> >
> > (Note that there are differences in the attenuation of various
> > transmission mediums, IE trees, walls, etc, at the various
> > frequencies too, but that is typically a minor effect compared
> > to the difference in antenna aperture.)
> >
>
> Thanks for the info regarding antenna aperature. I get to add some theory to my
> practical skeleton. :) I enjoy playing with antennas and have come up with some
> crazy designs, but this is what I have tried so far with antennas and it seems that
> there must be something else to it. I have experimented with and Alinco DJ-560,
> Yeasu HT (also dual bander), and an FT-5100 mobile (all radios are dual banders).
> For antennas I have used the stock antenna for the yeasu HT, an 11 in. dual band
> rubber duck, a Cushcraft dual band mag. mount mobile (approx. 5/8 on 2m), Pro Am dual
> band mag. mount mobile (approx. 1/4 on 2m) and a homebrew 440 stacked vertical
> consisting of a J-pole with three extra 5/8 wave elements stacked, (It is one long
> wire with the fed end as a J-pole, then 3/8 wave length of wire bend horizontally
> then a 5/8 wave vertical element, repeat this 2 more times. It is a modification of a
> high gain stacked 2m j-pole plan I saw in the antenna handbook. Total antenna length
> is 5-6 ft.) and a 5/8 over a 1/4 wave 2m (about 7ft. long). Unfortunately I can only
> guess at the radiation patterns for my antennas.

>
> When I tested 2m and 440 in the World Congress center we used the dual band HTs, one
> stock rubber duck and the 11 in. dual band rubber duck. So the antenna aperture was
> the same for both bands. 2m performed significantly better. Enough so that it could
> not have been attributed to happenstance.
>
> I have experimented with the homebrew 440 and a dual band mobile. (ie drive around
> and try the different bands) 440 hardly would make it 1 mile. 2m 5 mile or more.
> Between cars the band performance has been similar. (two dual band radios and dual
> band antennas)
>
> My experiments are not well designed, but they have been generally convincing to me.
> The unknowns are the radiation patterns of the antennas (but usually the 440 antennas
> should have had more relative gain (ie more elements) compared to the 2m antennas).
> I also don't know what kind of performance loss is incurred when using a dual band
> antenna. Also maybe the radios have radically different sensitivity for each band,
> but I think not.
>
> > >With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?
> > >10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G
> >
> > The *physically* bigger the antenna, the less "path loss" it will have.
> > So if you use an electrical quarterwave antenna on each of these
> > bands, 10m will be best and 1.2 GHz will be the worst. If you use
> > antennas of the same physical size on each band, however, 1.2 GHz
> > will be best and 10m worst. (That's because the electrically larger
> > 1.2 GHz *transmit* antenna will put more ERP toward the horizon.
> > Couple that with the now equal aperture of the receive antennas,
> > and the higher frequency works better.)
> >
>
> In mountainous areas wouldn't the lower bands perform better? I want the signal to
> bend over the ridges and bounce into the valleys. Don't higher frequencies tend to
> be more absorbable and less bouncy and bendable?
>
> Thanks!
> KS4TY

The "shadows" are much deeper from a blockage as you go up in frequency.
Our Explorer Post sponsors two repeaters at the same exact location, at
the same height, on the same tower, with the same ERP. This site is on
the south end of Phoenix. When in back of the mountains on the north
end of town, the shadow is 12-20 dB deeper, and extends further from the
blockage. This is the major problem to contend with in this area, as we
don't have too much dense foliate here to worry about. Sahuaros don't
take up much space.

Rick Tannehill, W7Rt

1800. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a0n7i$4a0@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181167

N9VJG <n9vjg@aol.com> wrote:
>Welcome to real ham radio! It's full of scum bags.

Oh, stop it. Just how many "bad mouths" can you count on the air?
Two or three dozen? Can you (with abacus, calculator, or pencil
and paper) compute what percentage those numbers are out of the
700,000+ licensed amateurs?
Jeff KH2PZ

1801. CQ Subscribers - '81, '82

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: John & Ruthann Fisher <rutemi@visi.net>
Message-ID: <34C42817.4CC5@visi.net>
Source record: 181168

Hello,

I'm looking for someone who would be willing to copy and mail a series
of articles that appeared in CQ Magazine back in 1981, 1982. Will pay
for copies and mailing expenses.

The four articles are:

July 1981 - Product review of the Gem Quad Antenna
August 1981 - A Primer: The Cubical Quad Antenna
December 1981 - " " " "
April 1982 - " " " "

I appreciate your help and thanks for reading this message.

John Fisher (KO4OE)
203 Hounds Chase
Yorktown, VA 23693
757-867-9626

1802. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C3FEAF.65BF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181169

marc schneider wrote:
>
> In article <885220193.239534093@dejanews.com>, K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
> >Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> >
> >> I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> >> my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> >> letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> >> early radio amateurs.
> >
> >Bad history! Hiram Percy Maxim, (Not Hiram "A").
> >
> >73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID
>
> ---------- But maybe the shortened version of the first name: HirAM.
>
> Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
> e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
> (call sign: W4NVY)

And then again maybe not!!

73
Rod in San Diego
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AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

1803. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6a0qiikoi1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181170

In article <6a0f98$ejk@news.cc.oberlin.edu>,
<pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu> wrote:

>This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
>to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
>channel.

The last I knew, my radio doesn't have channels. And, my license allows me
to transmit anywhere between
144 and 148MHz. That means if I want to transmit on 147.523323232,
I'm within my operating privileges to do so.

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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1804. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C3FFE0.E38E55FF@flash.net>
Source record: 181171

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On 19 Jan 1998 20:10:01 GMT, "Bill Smith" <bs@BSartist.com> wrote:
>
> >Folks,
> > I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also have a
> >technician class license that does not allow me to transmit below 50MHz.
> >
> > Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like
> >CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?
> >
> >--
> >Bill Smith
> >bs@BSartist.com
> >http://bsartist.com
> >n2asa
>
> I don't think you can transmit by using old CB rig.
>
> ... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is it possible to
> transmit anything today ?? no... same concept.

As usual Cutie Boy is clueless, he is however very entertaining. Your amateur status has nothing to do with using the CB as intended on the CB bands so talk away and enjoy. You'll need to upgrade to at least tech plus if you want to move it up into the ham bands. There is alot of information available about converting CB's to 10m, if you have one that runs SSB it would make an excellent candidate for conversion.

Tim

1805. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C400DA.F4B5996C@flash.net>
Source record: 181172

Bill Smith wrote:

> I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
> mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
> frequency because of the mode.

No, it's in the CB band Bill so there is really no connection to amateur radio at all. Your still transmitting on the regular 'channels' just without a carrier and one of the sidebands removed hence single, sideband. You would only be concerned about ham frequencys if the rig had the ability to go above 28.000MHz or it had been converted to operate there.

Tim

1806. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6a0qa7knl1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181173
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C3D502.8B1CCCF6@ix.netcom.com>,
M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>Hi Cecil. Yep they are coded hams and so are the bozos jamming them.

Maybe you can explain how you can identify a jammer as being "coded" or not.
Does the signal sound different when its a jammer with code versus a jammer
without code?

MD
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-- with my guns.
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1807. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: lent <gte900f@acme.gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <34C408B0.95AF79C@acme.gatech.edu>
Source record: 181174
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Richard L. Tannnehill wrote:

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> the south end of Phoenix. When in back of the mountains on the north
> end of town, the shadow is 12-20 dB deeper, and extends further from the
> blockage. This is the major problem to contend with in this area, as we
> don't have too much dense foliate here to worry about. Sahuaros don't
> take up much space.
>
> Rick Tannehill, W7Rt

So what do you do to combat the problem? The normal: climb on to a ridge, use the other repeater or ...
What frequencies are the two repeaters? What do you use for communication when you are in the backcountry?
KS4TY

1808. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C40547.465FF8BC@flash.net>
Source record: 181175

helmsman wrote:

> Bruce Talkington <n4zez@alaweb.com> wrote:
>
> >Glenn, AA5PK wrote:
> >>
> >> > So does anybody know the e-mail address for these nattering nabobs of
> >> > misinformation?
> >> It's http://www.tvguide.com
> >>
> >I appreciate the url for these guys. I posted and message to them about
> >this mess and EVERY ham ought to do the same...
> >Bruce Talkington....N4ZEZ....Andalusia, Alabama 36420
> Me to, I love a good vent!!!!!!!

Yea, we should all mail bomb poor TV Guides email adress because of a silly mistake in a crossword puzzle. Perhaps if they get enough hate mail they'll do a nice story about amateur radio, mabye they'll call it "Hams who Hate".

Great idea....

1809. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C409A4.8EEDCCA@flash.net>
Source record: 181176

Jeffrey Herman wrote:

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> Oh, stop it. Just how many "bad mouths" can you count on the air?
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> and paper) compute what percentage those numbers are out of the
> 700,000+ licensed amateurs?
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Right on Jeff, you hear the same arguments over and over about the Liberty Net, Stumpjumpers and the like. Your right, mabye 3 or 4 dozen tops! All of a sudden these 50 or so operators are going to destroy the whole hobby....sheesh...

Tim

1810. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a0p6i$5a6@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181177

Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
> Ironic, isn't it? You have more HF privileges using a CB then you do
>with a Technician class license in Amateur radio.

No irony at all. They're two very different services. If he had
a Marine License, he could transmit on any maritime freq'y between
2 and 28 MHz. That service has nothing at all in common with the
ARS.

You seem to confuse CB and ham radio - that appears to be a common
occurance among folks such yourself.

Of course, your error is in neglecting the fact that a tech license
is for V/UHF operation only; you should focus your attention on the
almost 130 MHz available between 6m and 23cm that comes with the
tech license. So much, for so little effort.

73, Jeff KH2PZ

1811. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2db39810c87bde989943@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181178

In article <34C3C448.3E5E06DF@flash.net>, hynde@flash.net says...
>
>
> JJ Martin wrote:
>
> > Tim Hynde wrote:
> >
> > > Travis Hayes wrote:
> > >
> > > > > And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> > > > > since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> > > > > directive in place which already says "No."
> > > > >
> > > > > Ed
> > > > > WB6WSN
> > > >
> > > > And besides that, there's that pesky FCC that says you can't do it at all.
> > >
> > > What FCC regulation says I can't transmit from an aircraft or other at 30,000 ft?
> >
> > Try FAR Part 91.
>
> Ok, but my question was what FCC regulation says I can't transmit? You referred me to
> an FAA regulation, which clearly describes that the determination of paragraph (b) (5)
> shall be made by the PIC. Since I'm the PIC I have determined that my HT will not cause
> interference to my navigational or communications system on the aircraft, VFR or IFR.
> Do you interpret this another way?
>
> Tim, ka8ddz
>
> From FAR Part 91
>
> Sec. 91.21 Portable electronic devices.
>
> (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no person may
> operate, nor may any operator or pilot in command of an aircraft allow the
> operation of, any portable electronic device on any of the following U.S.-
> registered civil aircraft:
> (1) Aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier operating certificate
> or an operating certificate; or
> (2) Any other aircraft while it is operated under IFR.
> (b) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to--
> (1) Portable voice recorders;

> (2) Hearing aids;
> (3) Heart pacemakers;
> (4) Electric shavers; or
> (5) Any other portable electronic device that the operator of the aircraft
> has determined will not cause interference with the navigation or
> communication system of the aircraft on which it is to be used.
> (c) In the case of an aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier
> operating certificate or an operating certificate, the determination required
> by paragraph (b)(5) of this section shall be made by that operator of the
> aircraft on which the particular device is to be used. In the case of other
> aircraft, the determination may be made by the pilot in command or other
> operator of the aircraft.
>
> >
>
>

As the PIC you can make that determination, however on a commercial aircraft, since that is what the original thread started out as, you are not, therefore should the "company/PIC" decide not to allow, as is the case, you may not. Hey, if you have your own personal aircraft that can cruise at 30,000 feet, why are you so concerned about what can or can not be done on a commercial aircraft anyway???

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Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

1812. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C41B8F.46BB@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181179

Bill Smith wrote:
> Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like
> CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?

Hi Bill, SSB is legal on the CB frequencies and gives one approximately four times the talk power for the same power output. Trouble is, the great majority of CBers use AM=DSB+Carrier and their transceivers don't have a BFO so they cannot copy your SSB signal (which might be an advantage).
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1813. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2ddb43f14e600f989945@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181180
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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> >that is their right, but there is absolutely nothing that says I have to
> >supply them the soapbox upon which they stand.
>
> Ah, another Lockout Lid. Thanks ever so much for helping to kill ham
> packet radio.

WELLL EXCCCUSSSEEEE MEEEE. I apologize to amateur radio for killing it
off. Gee, to think there are only 20+ other systems in the loop in the
NY-NJ area. Didn't know it was the g_d given right of assholes to access
MY equipment and dictate to ME on MY equipment what they should be
allowed to post. Quite frankly, packet is being killed off by the
Internet Glenn or haven't you been paying attention...poor form old man

Quite frankly, I never saw the amateur radio packet system as a free
forum anyway. What I choose to allow to be posted quite frankly won't
make a difference whether or not the system survives. However, if more
people think like you then all you end up with is paying the electric
bills for the likes of Drew and Burt and scum like that. Personally, I
choose not to and if that bothers you...that's life.

>
> You'd be more than welcome to post any inane remark, personal attack,
> religious comment, or cookbook recipe on our system. You could even
> advertise a CB set, modified or otherwise. Thanks in large part to
> people like you, however, the network is in such bad shape that you'll
> probably never get the chance to do so.

Quite frankly, I just as soon let then loonies and wackos clog up YOUR
system. It keeps mine humming along quite well without them.

Hopefully, your little soapbox that you supply to these mental morons
won't give you a butt full of splinters when you fall on it.

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Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

1814. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C3F5CE.4DD7@icss.net>
Source record: 181181
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 06:20:15 GMT, wa2ise@netcom.com (Robert Casey)
> wrote:
>
> >Besides, most sysops review packet postings before releasing them for
> >distribution, to protect their license and the system.
>
> oh... so they are screening...
>
> ____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> ____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

Yes, they are screening - as the sysop's spare time permits. This is
why packet is slower than snail mail - if the packet ever gets through
at all.
Brian/N0iMD

1815. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim <sracing@compuserve.com>
Message-ID: <34C40F79.3DF8@compuserve.com>
Source record: 181182
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Eric Oyen wrote:
>
> Ed Price wrote:
> > And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> > since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> > directive in place which already says "No."
> > Ed
> > WB6WSN
> Actually, there is more...
>
> As of Jan 1, 1997, new regulations put into effect by the FAA
> specifically prohibited the use of any electronic devices that can,
> during the course of that devices operation, create radio frequency
> fields that may, whether intentionally or not, create interference with
> the onboard systems of the aircraft.
>
> Specifically, this means that you cannot use a laptop computer, a radio
> receiver or tranceiver of any kind. The FAA also has stipulated that the
> person, or persons caught using such devices be fined under these new
> FAR's (Flight Aviation Rules). The fines can be expensive (up to $10,000
> for each infraction) and arrest can result.
>
> On another note about air mobile hams.....
>
> I knew a couple of hams that flew for America west back in 95 and 96, so
> when I went to pay a visit to family members out on the east coast,
> these pilots would allow me the use of my dual band HT under the
> following conditions:
> 1. power levels not to exceed .5 watts
> 2. no operation on the 70 Cm band (as this is a nearly direct
> subharmonic of some of the upper uhf/microwave spectrum they use),
> 3. that I ceased all operations for 15 minutes before landing and 10
> minutes after takeoff.
>
> These were considered very reasonable by me, as the safety of the other
> passengers was of concern.
>
> Otherwise, I was able to contact hams on 146.520 for as far as 350 miles
> either side of the plane. I even have a few QSL cards from some of those
> trips. Now, with the new rules, I cannot do this anymore. It would be
> nice to be able to do so,but I don't have the $$$ if I ever get fined.
> On Private flights, its still allowed, so long as it doesn't represent a
> hazzard to others.

Whoops, Your wrong about the use of the Laptop. Except during take-off and landings. I fly a lot, and me and 70% of the other passengers are using our laptops most of the flight... Delta, United, etc.

Jim

1816. Re: M@s@'s signatures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2dd9407f96fd31989944@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181183
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

In article <34c3ddb2.1385529@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
says...
>
>
>
> Je crois que beaucoup de gens dans ce newsgroup parlent fran�ais, mais
> nous tends pr�f�rer l'anglais.

Of course, since it seems most on the newsgroup are from the US, then
we'd prefer to speak English as opposed to French.

> Merci !!

Your welcome

--
Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

1817. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C4113A.29B3@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181184

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>
> I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> early radio amateurs.

Poor old Hiram ..... Percy ..... Maxim.

Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
besides Ham Radio .. ?

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1818. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Costas Hazimanolis <costas@pathway.net>
Message-ID: <69u53spsr0@207.76.141.37>
Source record: 181200
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Don McPherson wrote:
>
> Try being nice. dont waste your life fretting away at old farts and young impertinate
> assholes!
>
> gambino wrote:
>
> > Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
> > Radio in general is stale because of these , pardon my jargon, Old Farts & Know it
> > alls.
> > When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic enthusiast &
> > wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest degree
> > (still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
> > I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other "younger
> > generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know code, or say
> > 73's, etc...
> > Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you would think,
> > every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people, many of
> > which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams, simply
> > because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was constantly
> > harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more experienced"
> > guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop. Mind you, I
> > was only 25.
> > I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run closed
> > repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think simply cuz
> > I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the same time I
> > was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to answer tech
> > questions on related topics...
> > It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know everything & feel
> > bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...
> > I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area , Ca.), bunch
> > of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are all part
> > of the same "old boys club"...
> > Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own, but why
> > work around assholes I can't stand?
> > I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the salary, and
> > I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still have ties
> > to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I have a truck
> > fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that doesn't make a
> > better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these old
> > assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or debate
> > it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am willing to
> > spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe me I

> > learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share them..
> > Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
> > Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....
> > You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
> > It's alright dano, I'm on your side.
> >
> > DANO wrote:
> >
> > > as someone making my way into the word of ham radio, i've noticed a common
> > > thread betweem the type of people involved in club's,ng's, and even the
> > > crowd at hamfest's.
> > > when a conversation is started by a newbie asking a question about
> > > anything, the initial question gets lost in the disagreement over a phrase
> > > or misquote that some "know - it - all" has to throw in. of course the
> > > person, who is asking the the question, gets forgotten about cause the rest
> > > of the answer from some person walking by is then debated for the rest of
> > > the day.
> > > HMMMM. seems to me that anyone under 55 yrs old is more interested in
> > > "knowing more" than the guy next to him, and i find these rocket scientist
> > > to be more anoying than helpful.
> > > if everyone was as interested in furthering their "knowledge base" and
> > > help the less experienced operators further their's, nobody would have to
> > > worry about the loss of ham bands to others.
> > >
> > > to prove my point, i ask all of you to scan the postings of this
> > > group and see how many legit questions asking for help or opinions on
> > > equipment are responded to.
> > > then look at all the general comments and debates posted with their
> > > responces.
> > > in one day i saw a ratio of 10:1 in favor of the debates.
> > >
> > > IN THE 1960'S JFK SAID " ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK
> > > WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY"
> > >
> > > i'm 34, never learned that quote from school, but i practice it every day.
> > > anyone else care to give it a try. we just might save ham radio for our
> > > children
> > >
> > > DAN0

Let's try to "talk" on the ng as though we were on the air.
Clean language and no foul metaphores.
K3KKI

1819. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69u7nh$7pf@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181201

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <69qq73$253$1@news3.texas.net>, K7RMJ <oak@texas.net> wrote:

>>Thanks to the W5YI report, here are the latest statistics
>>for amateur licenses in the USA as of 12/1/97.
>>
>>Total licensed hams: 719,341
>>
>>This total is only 1.1% increased over last year at
>>the same time. The net increase is only 7582
>>over December 1, 1996.

>This directly conflicts with FCC license class data at

> http://www.speroni.com/FCC

>which shows the number of licensed amateurs, by license class,
>as increasing by 30K from December 1996 to December 1997.

Perhaps there was a total of 30K without taking away the
hams that didn't renew. In other words, 30K minus
the 22K hams (SKs, etc.) nets out only an absolute
gain of 8K.

The W5YI report is direct from the FCC database too.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1820. Mods for Kenwood TH79ad & TM-V7A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: NFXQ96A@prodigy.com
Message-ID: <69ubna$8ci$1@newssvr03-int.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 181202

I'm looking for out of band mods (TX/RX and any others) for these
radios.
I would appreciate an e-mail to : n1won@juno.com. 73's Cory

1821. Re: FS: Optoelectronics "Scout" model 40

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: CW <cw1@mci2000.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2481$b5cc7b20$940737a6@hp-customer>
Source record: 181203
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

IMO, for what they do, the Scout is overpriced by about $300.00.
--
CW
KC7NOD

jungle jim <junglejim@delta.com> wrote in article
<34C0F1E7.99362A34@delta.com>...
> If you bother to check the Opto web site you will find them NEW for $350.
>
> Jim Newcomb wrote:
>
> > FOR SALE:
> >
> > OPTO Scout model 40. Works great with an IC-R10 or similar receiver. I
> > am asking $350 plus shipping. If interested please e-mail
> > <premier@adi-radio.com>.
> >
> > Jim Newcomb, N7MBA
> >
> > ----------------------==== Posted via Deja News
====------------------------
> > http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet
>
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>
>

1822. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: bohnovic@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <69uek9$t7l@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181204
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Ed Price <edprice@pacbell.net> wrote:

>
>And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
>since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
>directive in place which already says "No."
>
>Ed
>WB6WSN
Ed,

K4TZ is a commercial pilot flying for a major carrier and he operates
aeronautical mobile when flying between here and europe.

73..

John/K4WJ in Pembroke Pines, FL
K8PXG from 18 Jun 59 to 11 Feb 97
K8WJ from 12 Feb 97 to 07 Apr 97

1823. Heath Site lot'o pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C37072.697A@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181205

Check out the Heathkit Site http://home.earthlink.net/~docky 73 Gary
K0IMJ

1824. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: agassinut@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119052401.AAA26697@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181206

How much damage can it possibly do? Come on...a little 2m handheld is gonna cause that much interference on an airline. When we stop dodgeing stray Milatary Missiles that bring down our jetliners...then they can change rules. Nothing but a cover up! I'm still gonna sneak my radio on board and talk to my heart is content!
73....catch u at 30,000'

1825. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd249b$19f59e60$4da4cacc@dad>
Source record: 181207

On the subject...We had a guy up here in the northwest that splattered from
50.100 to 50.300 during the uhf/vhf contest. I listened to him from over
200 miles away. Obvious QRO+++...

Paul Bilberry <paul@actiontel.com> wrote in article
<34bd8fb7.222640006@news.abilene.com>...
> Gareth Crispell wrote:
>
> >Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
> >everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
> >station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
> >spread?
> >I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
> >however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
> >this is no longer considered true.
>
>
> It's true. I do that running legal limit. It's so easy, turn the mike
> gain down.
>
> Paul
> N5DUP
>
> AM Lives...
>

1826. Re: cutie boy <sorry>faggot boy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34c7ea39.53255182@news>
Source record: 181208
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 18:28:58 GMT, kd5amz@flash.net (why don't you look
it up) wrote:

>On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 17:33:37 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
>Boy) wrote:
>
>why don't you show your email address faggot?
>OH I am sorry, I forgot, racists don't do that

If there was any doubt that this dork, MASATAKA NODA-Cutie Boy, is a
troll, here's your answer.

--
Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, remove the
xyz from my address.

1827. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa2ise@netcom.com
Message-ID: <wa2iseEn0pLr.2FI@netcom.com>
Source record: 181209
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

In article <34c0b183.3443402@news.total.net> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham writes:
>Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??
>
>Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)
>
>
Assuming this post isn't a troll,
answer is no, as most spam is commercial in nature. And ham radio
communications are to be non-commercial/ "no pucanary(sp) interest".

Besides, most sysops review packet postings before releasing them for
distribution, to protect their license and the system.

1828. All Ham Classifieds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: ericsum@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119063501.BAA05892@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181210

Hey gang,

I just wanted to draw your attention to my new ham classifieds web site. I just started and need some help building my page, so we I am giving away the first 100 classified ads for free. If you have something to sell, please swing by my place and fill out the form. I'll have your ad up quick and when your item sells you can let me know and I'll nuke your ad ASAP.

The address for the page is:
http://www.geocities.com/~ericsum/ham/index.html

Thanks,
Eric
KE4RCA

All Ham Classifieds
http://www.geocities.com/~ericsum/ham/index.html

1829. Re: Ham Radio is full of #@## WAS: SWL Major Event Tonight ! ! !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg Dean <n9nwo@gte.net>
Message-ID: <69v1e8$q52$1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 181211
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

G.T. TYSON IV wrote:
>
> OneSwlNut wrote:
>
> > You guessed it .. it's THE GREAT LIBERTY NET. 3950 LSB at 10PM EST. It is THE
> > place to park your digital dial tonight. Else how will you know ..
> >
> > Will Sid call Loose Orifice a Nazi Faggot?
> > Will Loose Orifice call K5ZU "Monkey Vomit"?
>
> I'd love to join ya, but I have some paint drying...

Folks, I have been involved in radio since 1959. This is a disgrace!
While I blame the culture we live in for producing such individuals,
I fear for our hobby. Both sides are wrong. Using the radio waves
for political purposes. All this will do is cause congress to do to
us what it has done to gun owners. Remember the attempts to ban
scanners?

We must clean up our act.

1830. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c3419a.681906@news.total.net>
Source record: 181212
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 06:20:15 GMT, wa2ise@netcom.com (Robert Casey)
wrote:

>Besides, most sysops review packet postings before releasing them for
>distribution, to protect their license and the system.

oh... so they are screening...

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1831. 29MHz AM, Calling QRG, channels and so on.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lord Sure <ls@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <69vhst$qv6$1@studium.student.umu.se>
Source record: 181213

Hi.

Just rememberd that some years ago I worked a U.S. station on 29MHz AM. It was somewhere just above 29MHZ I think. Anybody know if there is any special calling freq that is used for AM on 29MHz? Also wish to know if there is any freq's that is used (channels). Just wounder as I got a old CB radio with only AM that i tought I would mod to be able to get some use of it. There is a 10kHz space between the channels so wish to know if I should put it to even 10 or 5kHz (e.g. 29.000, 29.010, 29020 OR 29.005, 29015, 29,025).

/Anders

1832. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119131001.IAA17944@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181214

In article <69te8b$8ue$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, tbryant@SPAMFREEcannet.com (T.L. Bryant) writes:

>On 1998/01/17 CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>It won't matter because, if
>things continue at their present pace, there will
>be no amateur radio to
>speak of in 2008.
>
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him
>TALK TOUGH!!"

It figures.

My ISP's news server is down for two days, and
>when it finally starts receiving
again, guess what's at the top of the list?

It's an omen, Tommy :-) It's just been sitting here, waiting for you to come back and read it.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1833. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119131001.IAA27320@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181215

In article <34C24394.5046@psn.net>, Eric Oyen <n7zzt@psn.net> writes:

>Otherwise, I was able to contact hams on 146.520 for as far as 350
>miles
either side of the plane. I even have a few QSL cards from some of
>those
trips. Now, with the new rules, I cannot do this anymore. It would
>be
nice to be able to do so,but I don't have the $$$ if I ever get fined.

Just another example of the federal government dictating our behavior because,
as always, they know what's best for us. Thank you, Bill Clinton and Al Gore.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1834. Again! 29MHz AM, Calling QRG, channels and so on?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Anders Janis <94adj@mail.ryp.umu.se>
Message-ID: <69viad$s8v$1@studium.student.umu.se>
Source record: 181216

Hi again!

Sorry about the previous message. Someone (funny?) person had changed my setup so that name, e-mail snd so on was incorect.

Heres the message again.

Hi.

Just rememberd that some years ago I worked a U.S. station on 29MHz AM. It was somewhere just above 29MHZ I think. Anybody know if there is any special calling freq that is used for AM on 29MHz? Also wish to know if there is any freq's that is used (channels). Just wounder as I got a old CB radio with only AM that i tought I would mod to be able to get some use of it. There is a 10kHz space between the channels so wish to know if I should put it to even 10 or 5kHz (e.g. 29.000, 29.010, 29020 OR 29.005, 29015, 29,025).

/Anders

1835. Great Ham Computers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4lkw@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119133101.IAA28790@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181217

1. Pentium 166. 32 Meg RAM. 2.1 GIG Harddrive. 1.44 Floppy. 24X CD-ROM. 16 Bit Soundcard. Speakers. 28.8 Modem. WIN 95 Loaded. MS Office Loaded. Keyboard. Mouse. Manuals.
$750

2. P150+. 32 Meg RAM. 1.08 GIG Harddrive. 1.44 Floppy. 8X CD-ROM. Soundcard. Speakers. 33.6 Supraexpress Modem. WIN95 Loaded. MS Office Loaded. Keyboard. Mouse. Manuals. $700

3. IBM Consultant. 486-33. 8 Meg RAM. 213 Meg Harddrive. Original Software. 1.44 Floppy. 1.2 Floppy. Keyboard. Mouse. $225

4. Packard Bell Legend 115. 486 DX-100. 12 Meg RAM. 213 Meg Harddrive. 1.44 Floppy. 1.2 Floppy. Win3.1 and DOS 6 loaded. MS office, and many games. Keyboard. Mouse. $250

5. Promise VLB controller card. 2 IDE, 1 floppy, 2S, 1P, 1Game
$15

6. WD Paradise VGA card. $10

7. Trident VLB video card. 1 Meg, upgradeable to 2 Meg $15

8. 16 Bit ISA I/O controller. IDE, Floppy,2S, 1P, 1 game port $5

9. MAC IIsi. 4 Meg Ram 40 Meg HDD. Keyboard. No power supply. Great for parts.
$75

10. SVGA Monitor. 14" Goldstar. $125

11. Various VLB video cards. 1 Meg, upgradeable to 2 Meg $15

12 Various ISA I/O controller cards. $5

13 Various VLB I/O controller cards. $10

14 Various ISA VGA/SVGA video cards. $10

15. Epson Equity 386SX with color Monitor, keyboard $65

1836. Martin Luther King Day Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119142000.JAA03163@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181218

Just wanted to wish everyone out there in USENET land a very happy, extremely merry Martin Luther King Day...and a reminder to be sure and celebrate this important holiday in an appropriate manner :-)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1837. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885219916.229244940@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181219

> Are they treating vanity callsign renewals like like the state of
> Florida treats vanity license plates? Each time you renew you have to
> pay an additional fee.

Yes. At whatever yearly rate exists at the time of renewal. You can
decline to pay the fee, in which case you will be issued a new call
in the current rotation.

73, de K0HB/4ID
(Who got a free vanity call many years ago. Eat your heart out!)

----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1838. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885220193.239534093@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181220

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:

> I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> early radio amateurs.

Bad history! Hiram Percy Maxim, (Not Hiram "A").

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1839. Conflicting amateur population statistics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <69vt0h$c2n@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181221
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In another thread, Michail Dignon (MD) questioned
the statistics I have been providing which come from the
W5YI report. He compares them to those provided by
Joe Spumoni at the spumoni.com web site. I asked
W5YI about the differences. Here's some information
that should be of help deciding which set of numbers is
the more accurate.

From W5YI:
The W5YI numbers come from FCC Report No. 18,
one of the many Amateur Service Reports generated
(automatically) monthly by the FCC in Gettysburg to track
applications and activity. I get (and have saved) this report
for years! (The ARRL also gets it and if my figures were
wrong, ARRL would have told me so - and they
have not. The ARRL gets the same information I do.)

Additionally, W5YI knows Joe Sumoni and has emailed him
about the significant differences in the numbers. If I hear
anything back, I'll pass it on. For now, I'll still put my faith
in the W5YI numbers which have been generated for
many years and are in concert with ARRL numbers
whereas the Spumoni numbers only began being generated
less than a year ago.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1840. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: n9vjg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119160600.LAA15869@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181222

Welcome to real ham radio! It's full of scum bags.

n9vjg@n-lemma.com

1841. How do I reset Kenwood TS 440

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: jdimmitt@pacifier.com
Message-ID: <34c313ae.0@news.pacifier.com>
Source record: 181223

I moved the radio room and misplaced the manual to my 440 Could someone
tell me how to reset the radio. That you Jerry WA6FCY.
--

Pacifier Online Data Service Dialup SLIP/PPP User
To register: (360) 693-0325 or telnet pods.pacifier.com

1842. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980119170000.MAA23152@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181224

In article <34C24394.5046@psn.net>, Eric Oyen <n7zzt@psn.net> writes:

>I knew a couple of hams that flew for America west back in 95 and 96, so
when
>I went to pay a visit to family members out on the east coast,
these pilots
>would allow me the use of my dual band HT under the
following conditions:
1.
>power levels not to exceed .5 watts
2. no operation on the 70 Cm band (as
>this is a nearly direct
subharmonic of some of the upper uhf/microwave
>spectrum they use),
3. that I ceased all operations for 15 minutes before
>landing and 10
minutes after takeoff.

These were considered very reasonable
>by me, as the safety of the other
passengers was of concern.

Otherwise, I
>was able to contact hams on 146.520 for as far as 350 miles
either side of
>the plane. I even have a few QSL cards from some of those
trips. Now, with
>the new rules, I cannot do this anymore. It would be
nice to be able to do
>so,but I don't have the $$$ if I ever get fined.
On Private flights, its
>still allowed, so long as it doesn't represent a
hazzard to others.

Eric:

I fully support the new rules, and I'm glad you're out of the business
of using your cheap, dirty, non-type-accepted ham HT on a
commercial aircraft! IMO, one of the most stupid things hams wish
to do is to talk to people on an HT from a commercial airliner, full
of people, on crowded airways, when their equipment is is of such
questionable spectral quality, compared to the VHF/UHF gear used
in the aircraft itself. If I had been in that aircraft with you, I would
have objected to the operation, whether you had permission or not,
and would have demanded to be let off the aircraft if you did not
stop...and taken all the other passengers with me. The fact that

you did this is just further proof of your stupidity! You'd deliberately endanger the lives of hundreds of people just to get the satisfaction of making a few /AM contacts. Right. You are a discredit to ham radio, Oyen. And dangerous.

73 de Larry, K3LT
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k3lt@ka3bdr.#cde.de.usa.noam | yodoc@aol.com
(302) 678-4841

1843. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C388B5.609E9351@flash.net>
Source record: 181225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 06:20:15 GMT, wa2ise@netcom.com (Robert Casey)
> wrote:
>
> >Besides, most sysops review packet postings before releasing them for
> >distribution, to protect their license and the system.
>
> oh... so they are screening...

Yea, so don't waste your money on a TNC Cutie Boy, most of your packets wouldn't survive the first hop.

1844. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C3895E.49FB1DF2@flash.net>
Source record: 181226

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <34C24394.5046@psn.net>, Eric Oyen <n7zzt@psn.net> writes:
>
> >Otherwise, I was able to contact hams on 146.520 for as far as 350
> >miles either side of the plane. I even have a few QSL cards from some of
> >those trips. Now, with the new rules, I cannot do this anymore. It would
> >be nice to be able to do so,but I don't have the $$$ if I ever get fined.
>
> Just another example of the federal government dictating our behavior because,
> as always, they know what's best for us. Thank you, Bill Clinton and Al Gore.

Would you care to elaborate on this issue Rambo, I hardly think additional safty measures regarding operation of transmitters on board a commercial aircraft is "dictating your behaviour"

Tim

1845. check this out

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd24d9$4bad6580$161871ce@default>
Source record: 181227

YOU MIGHT BE AN ENGINEER IF...

A team of you and your co-workers have set out to modify the antenna on the radio in your work area for better reception
All your sentences begin with "what if"
At Christmas, it goes without saying that you will be the one to find the burnt-out bulb in the string
Buying flowers for your girlfriend or spending the money to upgrade your RAM is a moral dilemma
Dilbert is your hero
Everyone else on the Alaskan cruise is on deck peering at the scenery, and you are still on a personal tour of the engine room
In college you thought Spring Break was a metal fatigue failure
On vacation, you are reading a computer manual and turning the pages faster than someone else who is reading a John Grisham novel
People groan at the party when you pick out the music
The blinking 12:00 on someone's VCR draws you in like a tractor beam to fix it
The only jokes you receive are through e-mail
The salespeople at Circuit City can't answer any of your questions
The thought that a CD could refer to finance or music never enters your mind
When you go into a computer store, you eavesdrop on a salesperson talking with customers and you butt in to correct him and spend next twenty minutes answering the customers' questions, while the salesperson stands by silently, nodding his head
You are able to argue persuasively that Ross Perot's phrase "electronic town hall" makes more sense than the term "information superhighway," but you don't because, after all, the man still uses hand-drawn pie charts
You are always late to meetings
You are at an air show and know how fast the skydivers are falling
You are aware that computers are actually only good for playing games, but are afraid to say so out loud
You are convinced you can build a phazer from your garage door opener and your camera's flash attachment
You are currently gathering the components to build your own nuclear reactor
You are next in line on death row in a French prison and you find that the guillotine is not working properly so you offer to fix it
You are still drinking Mr Pibb
You are wine tasting and find yourself paying more attention to the cork screws than the '84 Chardonnay
You bought your wife a new CD ROM for her birthday

You bought your wife's valentine gift at orchard supply
You can name at least six Star Trek episodes
You can quote scenes from any Monty Python movie
You can type 70 words a minute but can't read your own handwriting
You can understand anything Al Gore says
You can't fit any more colored pens in your shirt pocket
You can't remember where you parked your car for the 3rd time this week
You can't write unless the paper has both horizontal and vertical lines
You carry a list for everything except the groceries
You carry on a one-hour debate over the expected results of a test that actually takes five minutes to run
You comment to your wife that her straight hair is nice and parallel
You disdain people who use low baud rates
You do Darth Vader or Battlestar Gallactica impersonations by talking into a spinning fan
You drive a gremlin with a "Beam me up Scotty" bumper sticker
You ever burned down the gymnasium with your science fair project
You ever forgot to get a haircut ... for 6 months
You find yourself at the airport on your vacation studying the baggage handling equipment
You go on the rides at Disneyland and sit backwards in the chairs to see how they do the special effects
You have "Dilbert" comics displayed anywhere in your work area
You have a functioning home copier machine, but every toaster you own turns bread into charcoal
You have a habit of destroying things in order to see how they work
You have ever debated who was a better captain: Kirk or Piccard
You have ever owned a calculator with no equals key and know what RPN stands for
You have ever purchased an electronic appliance "as-is"
You have ever saved the power cord from a broken appliance
You have ever taken the back off your TV just to see what's inside
You have introduced your kids by the wrong name
You have memorized the Discovery Channel program schedule but have seen most of the shows already
You have modified your can opener to be microprocessor driven
You have more friends on the Internet than in real life
You have never backed up your hard drive
You have never bought any new underwear or socks for yourself since you got married
You have used coat hangers and duct tape for something other than hanging coats and taping ducts
You introduce your wife/husband as "mylady@home.wife/husband"
You just don't have the heart to throw away the 100-in-1 electronics kit you got for your ninth birthday
You know how to take the cover off your computer, and what size screwdriver to use
You know the altitude limits for turning on and off electronic

equipment on commercial flights
You know the direction the water swirls when you flush
You know what http:// stands for
You look forward to Christmas only to put together the kids' toys
You need a checklist to turn on the TV
You order pizza over the Internet and pay for it through your home banking software
You own "Official Star Trek" anything
You own one or more white short-sleeve dress shirts
You rearrange the dishwasher to maximize the packing factor
You remember half a dozen passwords and your ten-digit Compuserve address, but you have to call your niece "kiddo"
You rooted for HAL, the computer in 2001: A Space Odyssey
You rotate your screen savers more frequently than your automobile tires
You see a good design and still have to change it
You spend more time on your home computer than in your car
You spent more on your calculator than on your wedding ring
You still own a slide rule and you know how to work it
You talk about the high resolution and picture-in-picture capability of your big screen TV while everybody is watching the Superbowl
You talk about trellis code modulation at parties
You think a pocket protector is a fashion accessory
You think of the gadgets in your office as "friends," but you forget to send your father a birthday card
You think Sales and Marketing are Satan's children
You think that when people around you yawn, it's because they didn't get enough sleep
You think your computer looks better without the cover
You thought the contraption ET used to phone home was stupid
You thought the real heroes of "Apollo 13" were the mission controllers
You use a CAD package to design your son's Pine Wood Derby car
You walk around with your hands in your two front pockets 99% of the time
You want an 24X CD ROM for Christmas
You wear black socks with white tennis shoes (or vice versa)
You window shop at Radio Shack
You would rather get more dots per inch than miles per gallon
You're in the back seat of your car, she's looking wistfully at the moon, and you're trying to locate a geosynchronous satellite
You've already calculated how much you make per second
You've ever tried to repair a $5 radio
Your four basic food groups are: 1. Caffeine, 2. Fat, 3. Sugar, 4. Chocolate
Your checkbook always balances
Your dress clothes come from Sears
Your father sat 2 inches in front of your family's first color TV with a magnifying lens to see how they made the colors, and you grew up thinking that was normal

Your favorite actor is R2D2
Your favorite character on Gilligan's Island was "The Professor"
Your favorite James Bond character is "Q," the guy who makes the gadgets
Your favorite place in San Francisco is the Exploratorium
Your favorite television show is New Yankee Workshop
Your girlfriend says the way you dress is no reflection on her
Your idea of a "good read" is the Edmund Scientific catalog
Your idea of good interpersonal communication means getting the decimal point in the right place
Your ideal evening consists of fast-forwarding through the latest sci-fi movie looking for technical inaccuracies
Your Internet bill is higher than your long distance charges
Your IQ is a higher number than your weight
Your kids refer to you as The Man Who Sleeps with Mommy
Your laptop computer costs more than your car
Your spouse sends you an email instead of calling you to dinner
Your three-year-old son asks why the sky is blue and you try to explain atmospheric absorption theory
Your wardrobe looks like you shop at Goodwill Industries
Your wife hasn't the foggiest idea what you do at work
Your wife thinks your taste in ties is bizarre
Your wrist watch has more computing power than a 300Mhz Pentium
Your wristwatch has more buttons than a telephone

1846. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C38DD6.72BB5C5@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Today, 80m propagation was very good and I could hear to something...
> so called "Liberty Net" and MISC.
>
> What a garbage ?
>
> I heard continuous non-sense laughing as well as continuous non-sense
> CWs. and someone was sparking "This frequency is designated..... "
> oh well...
>

Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any Lids there? Sure there are bad ops on hf. But most of them are on phone not CW. If we get bozos like the Liberty Net clowns or the ops that try to jam them now, think how bad it would be without the requirement to filter out some of the trash. Does the garbage you hear on 11 meters ring a bell?

Before we do anything to eliminate the CW requirement on hf something MUST be done to enforce illegal operations on the ham bands. Otherwise the only thing you will hear on any band will be the "liberty nets". Lets clean up the garbage on the bands and then address the CW issues.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1847. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2d0b8ec387f1eb989940@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

In article <69uek9$t7l@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>,
bohnovic@worldnet.att.net says...
> Ed Price <edprice@pacbell.net> wrote:
>
> >
> >And, of course, the pilot is unqualified to make that judgement. Plus,
> >since his employer has legal responsibility, there is likely a company
> >directive in place which already says "No."
> >
> >Ed
> >WB6WSN
> Ed,
>
> K4TZ is a commercial pilot flying for a major carrier and he operates
> aeronautical mobile when flying between here and europe.
>
> 73..
>
> John/K4WJ in Pembroke Pines, FL
> K8PXG from 18 Jun 59 to 11 Feb 97
> K8WJ from 12 Feb 97 to 07 Apr 97
>
He operates HF/ae the conversation at hand concerns VHF+. The FCC allows
carriers to regulate the use of "RF" generators aboard their aircraft in
accordance to industry guidelines. The reason that almost ALL will not
allow VHF+ to be used is that they themselves use those frequencies for
ATC and the possibility exists that interfernce may be caused.
--
Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

Yesterday I woke up and shot an elephant in my pajamas
How he got in my pajamas, I'll never know

1848. Re: Ham Radio is full of #@## WAS: SWL Major Event Tonight ! ! !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: cdmandus@pgh.nauticom.net
Message-ID: <34c393e2.0@pgh.nauticom.net>
Source record: 181230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Greg Dean (n9nwo@gte.net) wrote:

: Folks, I have been involved in radio since 1959. This is a disgrace!
: While I blame the culture we live in for producing such individuals,
: I fear for our hobby. Both sides are wrong. Using the radio waves
: for political purposes. All this will do is cause congress to do to
: us what it has done to gun owners. Remember the attempts to ban
: scanners?

I beg to differ I'm afraid. I kind of like the talk I hear on 3950 kHz
although there are some points I don't agree with, it is a good forum to
discuss what we don't hear in the corporate news media. I do admit, I'm
more of a populist/conservative with some libertarian leanings though. I
just wish there would be less attempts to jam on the airwaves too. Most
of the time, the jammers do fail, I can copy most of the hams through the
jammers on my DX-440. I think the point is that if anybody doesn't like
what they hear, turn off the radio or tune somewhere else. I used to be
an avid Rush listener, but since it seems he lost touch with the common
people, I turn him off or listen to another station when he gets me upset.
I just see it as another forum for like minded individuals to voice their
opinions just like talk radio, the internet, or whatever.

Myself, I'm a political junkie and I do admit 3950 kHz does interest me
more than "run of the mill" discussions that you usually hear.

: We must clean up our act.

I'll agree with you on the point of the jammers though. All they do is
waste valuable time and energy.

Well, these are my thoughts on the issue. BTW, I like your callsign,
N9NWO, "N9 New World Order." B-) Just a little humor if you don't mind.
Myself, I like to go by KA3 "World Renowned Womanizer." B-)
Chuck, just some thoughts.....

DE KA3WRW

--
"We've upped our standards, so up yours!" - Pat Paulsen - 1968

1849. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Duff <td@pixar.com>
Message-ID: <34C392B6.31DF@pixar.com>
Source record: 181231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> > Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
> > preferred over no calculators whatever.
>
> (He doesn't seem to know that the abacus was invented and used when
> pencil and paper were unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely.
> It was much easier to keep tallies on an abacus than to etch them on
> stone or clay tablets, then throw them away afterward.)

(He doesn't seem to know that the Morse code was invented and used when
microphones were unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely.
It was easier to beep than to use the US mail.)

--
Tom Duff, KF6LWB. Gort! Klaatu barada ... uhh ... uhh ...

1850. Re: SSB damage radar??? Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c3a04f.127542108@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181232

On Sun, 18 Jan 1998 19:56:08 -0500, "T.O. Galloway" <tgall@erols.com> wrote:
>The setup:
>On a sailboat the back stay is split and insulated being used as the SSB
>antenna with a tunner. 100 watt unit.
>About 6 to 8 feet away is marine radar unit. The radar dome being at
>about the same level as the bottom of the SSB antenna.
>
>The question:
>If the radar is on and running, will transmitting on the SSB damage the
>radar unit? An electronics company that installs these units advises a
>friend of mine against this setup and wants to put the radar in a
>different (more difficult and more expensive for my friend) location. I
>have never even heard of such a precaution before.
>
>Is there anybody out there with radar experience that can verify or deny
>this claim?

It depends on the radar. I'd say that in general it shouldn't be a problem,
the waveguide beyond cutoff effect should protect the radar receiver.
But the radar antenna's servo systems might be adversely affected.

I think the best advice here, since the radar is a safety system, is to ask
the manufacturer of the particular radar. If they say don't do it, don't do it.
But I expect they'll say, "no problem".

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1851. Need Alinco Mod!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: Douglas K Jackson <dougj@softfarm.com>
Message-ID: <34C3A328.3C08@softfarm.com>
Source record: 181233

I need the Mod for MARS/CAP for the Alinco DR 150T. Does anyone know if you can make a DR 1200H (9600 baud) capable of voice transmission?

Doug

1852. Mac Powerbook for trade for HF equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-19 00:00:00 UTC
From: rpstech@roxbury.org
Message-ID: <6a077h$8s2@chile.earthlink.net>
Source record: 181234

I have a Mac Powerbook 160 for trade for HF equip.
Laptop is in excellent condion.
If interested, drop me a note for more info.

73
George - N2TMC
rpstech@roxbury.org

1853. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C4AAC2.488885E6@flash.net>
Source record: 180985

CBRambo wrote:

> Yes, I most certainly will. Here is a case of the federal governments saying
> to the airlines "Hey, we know you do air travel for a living, you live and die
> by your safety record, this is your specialty...but we know better than you and
> we're going to tell you what to do because we're the government. Janet Reno
> says so."
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

The same could be said about the FDA, who mandates food inspection, I suppose our food supply would be just hunky dory without them eh? No one would EVER import beef contaminated with mad cow disease would they? The DOT who makes sure that the brakes on your car work, I'm sure Detroit would make sure they worked well out of the kindness of their heart eh? The FTC who makes sure that when you get a home mortgage you don't get a 32% interest loan without having it spelled out in a truth and lending statement. If this is the goverment dictating my behavior then for now, I'll accept it.

--
tim, ka8ddz

1854. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <6a2d4ckvq1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 180986

>This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
>to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
>channel. I'll be monitoring 147.525 in my home state, Ohio, which
>has 15 KHz channel spacing, and hear squelch breaking from time
>to time when other Ohio ops ragchew on 147.520, which is 5 KHz shy
>of where they should be, in Ohio. I know there's yet to be any
>uniformity of channel spacing, with neighboring Michigan having
>20 KHz spaces, and I feel sorry for 2m ops near the OH-MI border.

Etc. Basically, the band plans are a gentleman's agreement.

Apparently, people don't want to act in a gentlemanly way.

Of course, most don't take the time to think that ones actions,
when done BACK to you, can tend to be just as annoying and
irritating as yours, done to others.

What's worst is that I, as what I consider to be a considerate
operator, won't stoop to the level of the person who's being
rude and inconsiderate to me.

The person would have successfully "pushed my button" and led
me to choose to do something I personally hated when done to me.

Uh uh, no thanks. All you can do to jerks is kill them with
kindness. They hate that :)
--
* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 82 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
* http://w3eax.umd.edu/~ham * ARRL Life Member /Laurel ARC/UMARA *
*** 301-549-1022 h 301-982-1015 w *** 35 wpm HF mobile CW Neon ***

1855. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6a27balkr1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180987

In article <6Njw0wUN3bFZ091yn@SKIPTHESPAM.bctv.com>,
Keith Wood <keithw@bctv.skipthespam.com> wrote:

>1) nocode Techs upgrade rate
>2) Death rate of G, A and E licensees vs NCT
>
>If a lot of G, A and E types die off and are not replaced by Techs
>upgrading, then the whole equation will skew toward Techs.

There will be some attrition due to death, not renewing, etc., but
this event should be fairly well distributed over all license classes.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1856. copper braid

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Gary R. Hoffman" <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Message-ID: <34C4B0D6.41C67EA6@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Source record: 180988

Who sells copper braid / copper strapping that I can use
to connect my equipment to ground?

Thanks.

Gary
KB0QGE
gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

1857. Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu
Message-ID: <6a2c96$mvb@news.cc.oberlin.edu>
Source record: 180989

To elaborate on the annoying operating habits of some hams,
I thought it was common knowledge that one should operate
2m FM simplex according to the channel spacing of the state
in which you operate, as well as observing the sub-bands for
simplex (146.40-146.58/147.42-147.585). In Ohio, the channel
spacings for simplex are 15 KHz; in Michigan, it's 20 KHz,
starting from the bottom of each simplex sub-band. Is it
maybe a problem of not doing the arithmetic?
I wonder if there's a way to send out updates and reminders
to every ham to make sure we're all on the same page; seems
like lots of hams have yawning abysses in their knowledge base!
Too bad there isn't a ham course prerequisite for licensure,
to guarantee compliance to law if not courtesy and common sense.
--Bill KB8USZ william.a.ruth@oberlin.edu

1858. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger, W6VZV" <rogerjb@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C4BB32.192FF1F8@ibm.net>
Source record: 180990

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
>
> Lack of numbers (what lack?) has nothing to do with restrictive
> ordinances, Roger. Keep trying, though.
>
> Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

Interesting history, Jeff. But your conclusion, as is so
often the case, is wrong.

You may disagree if you like, but I think that it is
incredibly clear that in our republic, lack of numbers turns
into lack of political clout, and abuse from the political
class, which respects political clout and money, and not
much else.

There are still lots of restrictive ordinances and rules
about. Your interesting post reads as though such
restrictions are a thing of the past. They are not.

--
Roger J. Buffington
W6VZV

"I want to die peacefully, in my sleep, like my
Grandfather...
Not screaming, and in terror, like his passengers."

"When Ronald Reagan was President, Democrats complained that
the White House bought new china.
Now that Clinton is President, people are complaining that
China has bought the White House."

1859. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ghebb <ghebb@ivic.net>
Message-ID: <01bd25b9$e1495960$4ff833cf@default>
Source record: 180991

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980116141901.JAA11310@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
> Question: what does "HAM" stand for?

> Answer 1: Hopelessly Ancient Methods
Thats OK my me.

> Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
I am a "Happy Antiquated Member"
and I have a REAL name and CALL sign

Gayle

73 Gayle KF6JJT

1860. Help with HTX100 mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ryan@nospam.poboxes.nospam.com
Message-ID: <34c4c8e5.59270586@news.willinet.net>
Source record: 180992

Hello. I just got an HTX100. I tried to preform the freqency mod but it did not work. I cut the circuit board trace. Then I hooked up 10K resistor between 5v VCC and those 2 pins I cut the trace for.
This did not work. I checked, and only .5v was getting through the resistor to the pins on the CPU. So I hooked up a jumper in place of the resistor to supply the CPU with 5v. Still did not work. What am I doing wrong? Please email direct. Thank you very much.

Ryan

ryan at poboxes dot com

1861. Timmonium Hamfest date ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: res@cmprime.cis.att.com
Message-ID: <6a2il0$6qa@anchor.cis.att.com>
Source record: 180993

Anyone know when the Timmonium Md hamfest is this year?

Thanks

Rick K2XT

1862. Improving cordless phone reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lab Assistant <lent@gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <34C4DC93.3103@gatech.edu>
Source record: 180994

Does anyone have any ideas on
1. how to improve cordless phone performance?
legal suggestions are the best, of course :)
Things to do the antenna, or phone systems that work better than
others.
2. where I can buy a "long range" cordless phone. by long range I mean
one mile or so including a few bends and corners. Something I can use
on a 100 acre farm in the mountians and not something limited to a small
yard and is not on a cellular net.

I have tried a digital 900mhz spread spectrum phone and it is better
than a typical cheap 49 mhz version, but it can't take any hills. I
have use something that I found at a local radio shack (not made by
radio shack) and it works well, but that was 10 years ago and they can't
get anymore.

please reply to
gte900f@prism1.gatech1.edu1 (remove the 1's from the address)

thanks,
73, Eddie KS4TY

1863. unsubscribe

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "STUART B.D.HUNT" <stuart001@mailhost.chi.ameritech.net>
Message-ID: <34C4E05D.51ECFDB6@mailhost.chi.ameritech.net>
Source record: 180995

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unsubscribe stuart001@ameritech.net
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1864. Updated website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Albert AERTS <albertaerts@innet.be>
Message-ID: <34C4E161.41E40F98@innet.be>
Source record: 180996
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,uk.radio.amateur,nl.radio.amateur,tnn.radio.amateur,alabama.birmingham.radio.amateur,git.radio.amateur,de.comm.ham

The "ON6TS Fact Sheet" which is accessible through the
"Aerts Family Homepage" has been UPDATED.

http://www.club.innet.be/~pub01234

or

http://surf.to/aa

73's de Albert

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Amateur Radio Callsign: ON6TS
HF Pactor: 14076.5, 18106.5 or 21076.5 mark carrier
Email: albertaerts@innet.be
URL: http://www.club.innet.be/~pub01234

1865. Need: email contact with Bolivia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: dmcguire@gamewood.net
Message-ID: <885317284.165216270@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180997

I am hoping to find an email contact with someone in Bolivia. I would like to visit that country later in the year. I would also like to get an operating permit for my dual-band HT and a low-power HF rig.

If someone reading this have some information to share, please contact me by email. Many thanks!!

vy 73 de David AE4LH

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1866. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34c4e4de.3055717@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180998

>
>
>>How about you show us a breakdown of this, by license class. You will find
>>what I say to be true; amateur radio is stagnant in all classes of license
>>except for the no-code Technician class.
>
This is true, even by the URL listed below.

>Once again, you're talking out of your backside.
>
>I gave you the URL. Go visit the site and see for yourself. Your claim is
>demonstrably false.
>
>http://www.speroni.com/FCC has a complete breakdown, monthly, of all
>license classes. The number of licensees in ALL classes has shown a
>progressive INCREASE every year.

That statement is a bold faced lie. Look at the data at the website in question. Look at the total numbers of hams by class. Since June 1997 the General and Advanced Class hams (total) have been steadily declining, while the Extra had only a very small increase. Then look at the page that shows licenses left to expire and you see the problem. In Dec 97 no Tech let his license expire (probably because they are not due to be renewed yet) but in all other classes we lost hundreds of hams. Just because we have 'new hams' does not mean that we are doing well. The new hams in each class must exceed the number of number of hams in that class who let their license expire (for whatever reason) so that the new total of hams for that class increases each month.

Les
W4SCO

1867. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34c5e686.3479861@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180999

wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net (Bruce & Debora Gordon) wrote:

>take it out to back yard, wrap in multiple layers of aluminum foil, dig
>hole 4 feet deep, put wrapped radio in hole, replace dirt on top of
>radio.
>
>There you have just protected your radio from EMP. Definitly 100%
>protection.
>
But unless it is sealed in something to keep out the water it will be
ruined.

>The survivalist whacko's always but two of every electronic device so
>they can use one and bury the other, for use after the big one and they
>return to the surface to rebuild our great civilization.

Why would you call a survivalist a 'whacko'? But in any case it will
be the survivalist who is left to carry on.

Don't come knocking on my door when you are out of food and water and
ammo and batteries ... because you thought it was 'whacko' to
stockpile emergency supplies.

>
>Bruce AL7AQ
>

1868. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34c6eaaa.4540379@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 181000

pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu wrote:

>To elaborate on the annoying operating habits of some hams,
>I thought it was common knowledge that one should operate
>2m FM simplex according to the channel spacing of the state
>in which you operate, as well as observing the sub-bands for
>simplex (146.40-146.58/147.42-147.585). In Ohio, the channel
>spacings for simplex are 15 KHz; in Michigan, it's 20 KHz,
>starting from the bottom of each simplex sub-band. Is it
>maybe a problem of not doing the arithmetic?
> I wonder if there's a way to send out updates and reminders
>to every ham to make sure we're all on the same page; seems
>like lots of hams have yawning abysses in their knowledge base!
> Too bad there isn't a ham course prerequisite for licensure,
>to guarantee compliance to law if not courtesy and common sense.
>--Bill KB8USZ william.a.ruth@oberlin.edu

Please correct me if I am wrong, but most of the bandplans are NOT
law.

Slect a freq, listen first to see if it is busy, if nothing heard go
for it. 2m FM has a limited range even if we are on a mtn top.

W4SCO

1869. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c4ecad.57415421@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181001

On 20 Jan 1998 08:03:38 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>In article <6Njw0wUN3bFZ091yn@SKIPTHESPAM.bctv.com>,
> Keith Wood <keithw@bctv.skipthespam.com> wrote:
>
>>1) nocode Techs upgrade rate
>>2) Death rate of G, A and E licensees vs NCT
>>
>>If a lot of G, A and E types die off and are not replaced by Techs
>>upgrading, then the whole equation will skew toward Techs.
>
>There will be some attrition due to death, not renewing, etc., but
>this event should be fairly well distributed over all license classes.

The average age by class, as of the last time that was available, showed that the average age for General was 63 while the average age for Tech was 43 (rounded to whole numbers in both cases). Ask your insurance company which group is likely to see greater attrition over the next decade.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1870. FS: TS690Sat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: so@bigfoot.com
Message-ID: <34C4DD20.4BD2@bigfoot.com>
Source record: 181002

I have a TS-690 in excellent condition for $975.00 plus shipping.
Sorry but am only selling to hams inside the USA.
MARS mod
All else stock.
I have all boxes and manuals.

Email: Stanley, KC4DPC
so@bigfoot.com

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Sincerely, Stanley
Website: http://localsonly.wilmington.net/~stanley/
Nature's Vineyard: http://www.freeyellow.com/members/dixie/index.html

Unsolicited commercial e-mail is deleted by SMartMail.

1871. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C4EAA9.32B5CE5F@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181003
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> how do you swear on CW anyway ??

The same way you do on voice or using a keyboard. Do you really have such a little grasp of the world or are you just being your name sake?Well if you don't know CW I guess you couldn't swear on CW. But then you would have no idea if that person sending code to you was telling you to have a nice day or to eat s**t and die.

> it's not so easy to transmit your
> feeling against others by the use of CW.

Obviously spoken by someone who has never done so. You don't use CW so how would you know?

> >Before we do anything to eliminate the CW requirement on hf something MUST
> be
> >done to enforce illegal operations on the ham bands.
> > Otherwise the only thing
> >you will hear on any band will be the "liberty nets".
>
> really ? I don't hear any liberty nets on 2m repeaters in montreal
> area.
>

That's because you don't hear anything on 2m other than your neighbors phone.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1872. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c4ef80.58138831@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181004

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 23:14:40 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.%%net> wrote:
>Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ) wrote:
>
>> As the PIC you can make that determination, however on a commercial
>> aircraft, since that is what the original thread started out as,
>
>Negative, the original post never mentioned commercial aviation.
>
>> you are
>> not, therefore should the "company/PIC" decide not to allow, as is the
>> case, you may not.
>
>Agreed, while a corporate policy may exist, the legal responsibility still lies with the
>pilot in command, which according to FAA regs does give him the authority to allow or not
>allow an amateur transmission aboard his aircraft. Which was my point. You could certainly
be
>aboard a charter at that altitude, one that may not have the same policys as the bigger
>commercial carriers.

Nope. For commercial aviation, the operator is the *carrier*, not the pilot.
The FAA has been very clear about this. The PIC of a commercial flight
is *not* authorized to permit you to use a non-exempt electronic device.

Only the *holder of an air carrier operating certificate* can do that, IE
the company. And the company must do that certification by testing
that particular device on that particular aircraft according to EMC
procedures. In other words, it is on a unit by unit and plane by plane
basis, no broad type approvals are allowed. Since that typically means
taking the aircraft out of service for half a day to perform the testing,
no carrier will do that. (Actually it has been done on a couple of special
ocasions involving senior company employees who wanted to use their
amateur equipment on flights of a plane that was undergoing EMC testing
anyway.)

" (c) In the case of an aircraft operated by a holder of an air carrier
operating certificate or an operating certificate, the determination required
by paragraph (b)(5) of this section shall be made by that operator of the
aircraft on which the particular device is to be used. In the case of other
aircraft, the determination may be made by the pilot in command or other
operator of the aircraft."

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1873. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885321994.397869065@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181005

Somebody asked:

> > > Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
> > > besides Ham Radio .. ?

Carl Stevenson answered:

> > I believe it had something to do with inventing a machine gun
> > of some sort ....

N5HDQ responded:

> Right on.

Carl/Curtis,

You guys have the wrong Hiram Maxim. You are thinking of Sir Hiram *Stevens* Maxim, who invented (among many things) the Maxim machine gun. He also flew an airplane in England 9 years befoore the Wright brothers flight at Kitty Hawk.. It was a 100-foot wingspan biplane, powered by a lightweight, 160-horsepower steam engine he designed for this purpose. He began flight tests in 1894. On the third try he powered the plane up to 40 mph. It left its track, flew about 200 feet, and crashed. He also invented an amusement park ride called the "Maxim Flying Machine". He was head of the United States Electric Lighting Company in Bridgeport, Connecticut, which I think eventually became todays "General Electric" company.

His son, our familiar Hiram *Percy* Maxim was also an inventor, but not of machine guns. He invented the automobile muffler and the Maxim Silencer for firearms. He was head of Pope Automobile Manufacturing which manufactured the "Columbia" brand of automobiles in Hartford, CT. This company, however, did *not* eventually become todays "General Motors"!

73, de Hans, K0HB/4ID

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Radio is *not* magic. There are fundamental technical reasons
why it is necessary to sacrifice a young goat in your antenna
farm now and then.
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----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1874. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C4F09C.3792E56D@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181006
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

> In article <34C3D502.8B1CCCF6@ix.netcom.com>,
> M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>
> >Hi Cecil. Yep they are coded hams and so are the bozos jamming them.
>
> Maybe you can explain how you can identify a jammer as being "coded" or not.
>
> Does the signal sound different when its a jammer with code versus a jammer
> without code?

Hi Michael, No I don't have a crystal ball to look into to see if the people doing the jamming are coded or not. Not unless they ID that is. But I can also use some common sense logic and come to some reasonable conclusions.

The most obvious is that I really don't think a lot of unlicensed people would go out and by expensive hf radio equipment and set up antenna systems just to jam the bozos on the lib net.

Regardless of if they are licensed for hf or not, we need to clean up the bands and get this type of garbage off of ham radio. It makes us all look bad.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1875. Re: Martin Luther King Day Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kemosabie <jimo@vt.edu>
Message-ID: <6a2t05$g8s$1@solaris.cc.vt.edu>
Source record: 181007

MailfrmPA wrote in message
<19980119234700.SAA14113@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>>Just wanted to wish everyone out there in USENET land a very happy,
extremely
>>merry Martin Luther King Day...and a reminder to be sure and celebrate
this
>>important holiday in an appropriate manner :-)
>
>Yeah, I went to work!

Yesterday is a State Holiday here in Virginia and it is Lee-Jackson Day!

Big Iron
>
>K MB

1876. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885322913.453836809@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181008

In article <6a2c96$mvb@news.cc.oberlin.edu>,
pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu wrote:
>
> To elaborate on the annoying operating habits of some hams,
> I thought it was common knowledge .....

Your jeremiad is noted. Take your petty superiority complex to:

"alt.just.gotta.have.something.to.bitch.about"

Hans

~~~
"My doctor says that I have a malformed public-duty gland and a
natural deficiency in moral fibre, and that I am therefore excused
from saving Universes."
-- Ford Prefect
~~~

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1877. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Casey Ray <clray@bcf.usc.edu>
Message-ID: <34C4F8D7.88EFA66@bcf.usc.edu>
Source record: 181009
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Charlie wrote:

> On Sat, 17 Jan 1998 01:58:22 GMT, hwatson@erinet.com (Howard Watson)
> posted:
>
> [Masa & Dick delete]
>
> >
> >I, for one, feel that the no-code movement would carry a lot more
> >weight WITHOUT Masa's help :>
>
> Disagree. Masa does just fine as an equivalent to Dick and Yo.
> =0)
>

ROTFLMAO..... now that's funny!

> >73 de N3TNQ - Howard Watson - hwatson@erinet.com - Springfield, OH
>

Peace, out.

Casey

1878. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f2ebe914b4cbb69989946@news.planet.net>
Source record: 181010

In article <01bd2562$51ef4560$0100005a@wa6vse>, wa6vse@fast.net says...
> Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote in article
> <34C4113A.29B3@wf.quik.com>...
> > Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> > >
> > > I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> > > my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> > > letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> > > early radio amateurs.
> > ----------
> >
> > Poor old Hiram ..... Percy ..... Maxim.
> >
> > Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
> > besides Ham Radio .. ?
> >
> > Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
> >
>
> I believe it had something to do with inventing a machine gun
> of some sort ....

Pretty close. Hiram invented or was part of a group that invented the
silencer for guns is general. His business as "silencing" noisy
equipment

--
Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

1879. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: OLOF HARKMAN <famharkman@swipnet.se>
Message-ID: <01bd25df$bff6d000$639df482@default>
Source record: 181011
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

No I`m very sorry!

Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> skrev i inl�gg
<34c0b183.3443402@news.total.net>...
> Hi. Are you allowed to send spams on packets ??
>
> Is sys admin going to terminate your account ? (how ?)
>
>
>
>
>
> _____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
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> C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
McGill)
> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non
sollicit�s!!
>

1880. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: OLOF HARKMAN <famharkman@swipnet.se>
Message-ID: <01bd25df$db128280$639df482@default>
Source record: 181012

It stands for Radio amatures.

Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> skrev i inl�gg
<34c0b14a.3386088@news.total.net>...
>
> Ham = Ham meat
>
> Spam = Spam meat
>
> whatelse...
>
> Don't worry and eat it please.
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>
>
> _____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
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> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
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1881. Re: Opions TS570S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C50820.FC39202D@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181013

Bruce Talkington wrote:

> I am still tryng to make up my mind about a new hf rig, one with 6
> meters and am looking now real serious at the Kenwood TS570S.
>
> Does anyone have and use the rig, and if so I would appreciate your
> reviews, comments and complaints about it..
> --

Hi Bruce, I have the ts-570D which is the same radio without 6 meters. I have only had it for about a month now and it has worked GREAT!!!!. I really have not had any problems with it and the DSP features work great to kill most of the QRN at my home QTH.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

1882. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <6a34ro$nj3$1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 181014

>>To elaborate on the annoying operating habits of some hams,
>>I thought it was common knowledge that one should operate
>>2m FM simplex according to the channel spacing of the state
>>in which you operate, as well as observing the sub-bands for
>>simplex (146.40-146.58/147.42-147.585). In Ohio, the channel
>>spacings for simplex are 15 KHz; in Michigan, it's 20 KHz,
>>starting from the bottom of each simplex sub-band. Is it
>>maybe a problem of not doing the arithmetic?
>> I wonder if there's a way to send out updates and reminders
>>to every ham to make sure we're all on the same page; seems
>>like lots of hams have yawning abysses in their knowledge base!
>> Too bad there isn't a ham course prerequisite for licensure,
>>to guarantee compliance to law if not courtesy and common sense.
>>--Bill KB8USZ william.a.ruth@oberlin.edu
>
>Please correct me if I am wrong, but most of the bandplans are NOT
>law.
>
>Slect a freq, listen first to see if it is busy, if nothing heard go
>for it. 2m FM has a limited range even if we are on a mtn top.
>
>W4SCO

Indeed, there is no requirement to comply with anything that is not written in stone by the FCC or other regulatory agency. But as sharers of a common resource, voluntary band plans were drawn up to alleviate exactly that ambiguity and discord that existed before they were drawn up.

Before, for example, using FM on 144.200 MHz (which IS legal), it might be a good idea to think of the fact that you'd hate to have someone interfere with YOUR communications, right? Yet you'd knowingly do it to others, right? Not very gentlemanly. Considerate? No. How would you feel were it done to you? Probably pretty angry, right? "Those jerks are on top of us."

On top of that, CAN YOU always hear the station whose operations you are disrupting? CAN YOU? No! If you run 5 watts, and there are people running 1/2 watt simplex, there's quite a good chance that you WILL NOT hear them even though they can hear you.

To all:

What, again, is your excuse for not following voluntary band plans?

They were created by the League, and since you're not a member, it doesn't apply to you?

Isn't being courteous itself enough of a reason? Do you like being treated discourteously and without respect?

--
* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 82 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
* http://w3eax.umd.edu/~ham * ARRL Life Member /Laurel ARC/UMARA *
*** 301-549-1022 h 301-982-1015 w *** 35 wpm HF mobile CW Neon ***

1883. Need advice on Code Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: mdt2@po.CWRU.Edu
Message-ID: <6a31nprnt1@alexander.INS.CWRU.Edu>
Source record: 181015

Can anyone suggest the "best" software for someone just starting off learning code? I have a WIN-95 computer. I started using the W5YI code tapes and wanted to have another training source. Obviously any other advice would be welcome as well.

73's

Mike/KB8VYT

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michael d. thomas
mdt2@po.cwru.edu
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1884. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: davem@cs.ubc.ca
Message-ID: <6a332t$esa@harp.cs.ubc.ca>
Source record: 181016

ham@w3eax.umd.edu (Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I]) writes:
>To all:
>What, again, is your excuse for not following voluntary band plans?

Sometimes it's not that easy to find out *what* the band plan is.

For example: I'm a ham in British Columbia, Canada. I can look in the ARRL publications, but they list band plans for the USA, not Canada - not very useful. I can check the Radio Amateurs of Canada web site, and they do have a band plan there. Unfortunately, it actually describes the band plan in use in the area of Canada where the RAC headquarters is located, with a note that plans may differ regionally. There is no information about whether my particular region is different, or what the band plan here is if indeed it is different.

The RAC plan specifies a mixture of 15 and 20 kHz spacing (sometimes with interleaving of usage that means adjacent simplex frequencies are 30 kHz apart). In fact, from talking to local hams, it turns out that local conventions are different, using 20 kHz channel spacing everywhere. But it took a while to find that out.

Dave

1885. Re: Need: email contact with Bolivia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C51064.92625152@flash.net>
Source record: 181017

dmcguire@gamewood.net wrote:

> I am hoping to find an email contact with someone in Bolivia. I would
> like to visit that country later in the year. I would also like to get
> an operating permit for my dual-band HT and a low-power HF rig.
>
> If someone reading this have some information to share, please contact me
> by email. Many thanks!!

Dave, ever use yahoo.com? a search using the boolean AND for +bolivia +ham, or +bolivia +radio resulted in more than you should need. Pick me up one of those goofy hats the locals wear will ya?

Tim, ka8ddz

1886. Costa Rica VHF operation.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Soniat <ed@texas.gtri.gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <ghooh16j1bq.fsf@texas.gtri.gatech.edu>
Source record: 181018

Any body know whether its worth taking a 2m/70cm FM rig down there?
--
_| | _ Edward C. Soniat (KE4TFT) Internet:ed@pobox.com
_| -|_ Mass transfer: 1854 Bishop's Green Dr
| | Marietta GA 30062 6079 (770)579 3279

1887. Suinesse Lomenteaux

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jhontoise Hensouise <plelmark@flexmain.net>
Message-ID: <01bd25e8$e1054020$3f9192ce@default>
Source record: 181019

Lentoinner mel quilenne fremnoitte quaxcentum ep lon ultovier? Wex biem yantollier pren gephalsier ex plusmal.

1888. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Casey Ray <clray@bcf.usc.edu>
Message-ID: <34C518BF.2D7D9B51@bcf.usc.edu>
Source record: 181020

Bill Sohl wrote:

> kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>
> >In article <6a0f98$ejk@news.cc.oberlin.edu>,
> > <pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu> wrote:
>
> >>This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
> >>to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
> >>channel.
>
> >The last I knew, my radio doesn't have channels. And, my license
> allows me
> >to transmit anywhere between
> >144 and 148MHz. That means if I want to transmit on 147.523323232,
> >I'm within my operating privileges to do so.
>
> True, but that is poor operating practice to operate within only
> 5-10KHz of the input or output of a repeater or a well
> known simplex frequency such as 146.52
>

The original poster stated the freq. to be 147.52

> <pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu> wrote:
<snip>
>I'll be monitoring 147.525 in my home state, Ohio, which
>has 15 KHz channel spacing, and hear squelch breaking from time
>to time when other Ohio ops ragchew on 147.520, which is 5 KHz shy
>of where they should be, in Ohio.

> Bill Sohl K2UNK

1889. COAX@ chicago hmfst

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6a36kh$34g@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181021

will bring superflex coax FSJ4-50B to Chicago hamfest
500 ft rolls $450.....Andrews, new in box....I have 10 rolls
left.....also I have a few shorter lenghts avail.... LET ME KNOW VIA
E MAIL OR PHONE 914 657 6158

SAVE THE TRUCKING COSTS AND THE COD'S....
CHICAGO HAMFEST.....THIS WEEKEND ON SUNDAY
VILLA PARK , ILL

1890. Re: Need advice on Code Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C52BD0.645@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181022

Michael D. Thomas wrote:
>
> Can anyone suggest the "best" software for someone just
> starting off learning code?

Can't say it's the best but SuperMorse 4.16 is a pretty good shareware
program available on the web. To avoid Windows timing conflicts, I
always boot DOS when using SuperMorse.
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1891. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: lore@repeater.net
Message-ID: <34c53393.1627138@news.epix.net>
Source record: 181023
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

220 is a combination of 2 and 440. It reaches the spots that 440 wont go, but it has much better range than 2 meters.

Have any of you thought about going horizonal and trying sodeband? 2 meter SSB (horizonal) will definatly go much much further than FM/Verticle could ever think of.

On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 12:37:44 -0500, Jiann-Ming Su <js290@prism.gatech.edu> wrote:

>I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local
>communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250
>mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance
>characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these
>ranges. I am trying to learn something and also create my &#65533;master plan&#65533;
>:) for equipment purchases where I can concentrate my limited
>resources. , anyway, you get the idea...
>
>I currently use 2m and some 440 for my around town communications. My
>parents live on a farm in the North Georgia mountains and I love to
>experiment with communication systems in that environment. My
>experience so far says that 440 is basically useless (one mile and a few
>bends in the road and 440 is unreadable but 2m is 5-9+) 2m gives
>reasonable propagation, but even then we sometimes have trouble getting
>8 miles as the crow flies simplex with 100w, a 7db antenna about 60ft
>up, but in other directions we can communication 100 miles under the
>right conditions. So the location is not the best, but that just gives
>more challenges! I also use the crossband repeat mode when I go hiking
>440-2m but once again 440 has at most a one mile range HT to mobile. So
>it is not very useful for anything more than a walk in a city park, but
>the wilderness areas up there are quite large! I have also experimented
>with 2m and 440 in large buildings, ie a mall and the World Congress
>Center in Atlanta. Even there (where I thought 440 would show it&#65533;s
>stuff) the 440 would unreadable but 2m had a 5-5 signal.
>Conclusion: 440 simplex is useful for only very limited distances and
>2m has several times the range.
>
>With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?
>10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G
>Does 220 have characteristics like 440 or 2m (unfortunately I don&#65533;t
>think there are any 220 dual band HTs) Would 220 be a better band if I
>want longer distance and in a mountainous area?
>What about 6m or 10m FM? If I wanted to crossband when I hike, back to

>my car and then out on 2m, would 6m give me a reasonable range or even
>10m FM? (I have been very unimpressed by CB performance though, I
>don't know if it was the band or the mode)
>What about mobile to base SSB? I have tried different bands on HF (with
>a very suspect antenna contraption on my car) but even with 100w the
>performance wasn't much better than CB and 2m FM was 100 times better
>(there were some kinks, i.e. polarization and a home-brew mobile
>antenna)
>
>Conclusion:
>1. I would like to hear from people who use bands other than 2m and
>440, who can comment and contrast their performance to those bands,
>especially in mountainous areas. using both mobile, HT or a
>combination. There must be some good reason why you put up or use a
>repeater other than 2m or 440!
>2. Also some idea from people who are in similar situations and what
>kind of system they use.
>3. People who can give some tip on SSB HF for "local" communications
>and "near angle" or "vertical angle" (I think) propagation modes. (they
>need to be as "local" <500 miles as possible, when I was in Ecuador I
>was always irritated by the US hams (especially on 80m) who would
>ragchew with someone across town for hours about their new 500w amp they
>were using and they were 5-9+30 overseas and totally oblivious)
>3. I would be nice to not just have anecdotal stories, but halfway
>designed experiments or some theory or just pointing me to some sources,
>books, or places to post, because obviously the land mobile and police
>have done such studies.
>4. Suggestions on antenna designs. vertical, horizontal, or cross
>polarization, endfed compared to centerfed stacked dipoles. I am
>generally more interested in area coverage compared to point to point,
>and working simplex or hitting a repeater mobile than hitting a repeater
>from home.
>
>Sorry for the long post, but hopefully this will start up a good
>discussion.
>you may reply to
>lent@isye.gatech.edu
> if you want to write more in depth or hear a more detailed version of
>my experiements.
>
>73, Eddie KS4TY, HC1EYB

1892. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 181024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <69rilm$g29$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:
>In article <ajfq96.egb.ln@momserver.trianglemom.net>,
> David Hickman <dhickman@umr.edu> wrote:

>>Well to tell you the truth, if it wasn't for the no code there would fewer
>>hams today.

>While true that the codeless tech license created a license class which
>attracted a certain group of people whom would not otherwise be amateurs,
>all license classes in amateur radio have seen an annual increase in their
>numbers. Even if there was no codeless license there would be more hams
>today than before the codeless license existed.

Probably true Michael. It's also probably true that there would be many
fewer hams than there are today if the codeless license had not come into
existence. And, there's a goodly portion of wheat among this so-called
"chaff".

The advent of the Tech license finally persuaded me to do something I
wish I had done years ago - that is to go for an amateur radio license.

You see Michael, as hams we already know what's in it for us. But before
you're a ham, you haven't found out yet whether it's something that will
interest you or not. The investment in time is a gamble - one with
an unknown pay-off.

But somebody probably felt, that in order to keep the hobby healthy, it
should be presented to a greater number of people. Undoubtedly they
realized that the code was discouraging too many folks from finding out
what ham radio was all about, and from discovering the self-satisfying
pay-off amateur radio offers us. According to theory, those who found
it interesting would then continue on with it. Evidently about 250 a
month now find it interesting enough to take the code test and upgrade, in
order to pursue their hobby further. Seems to be working as planned.

73,

AC6XG

1893. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C5486D.5D739CC4@flash.net>
Source record: 181025

Tim Hynde wrote:

The subject below was from the previous poster to Scott, it did not originate from him.

> Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I] wrote:
>
> > >>To elaborate on the annoying operating habits of some hams,
> > >>I thought it was common knowledge that one should operate
> > >>2m FM simplex according to the channel spacing of the state
> > >>in which you operate, as well as observing the sub-bands for
> > >>simplex (146.40-146.58/147.42-147.585). In Ohio, the channel
> > >>spacings for simplex are 15 KHz; in Michigan, it's 20 KHz,
> > >>starting from the bottom of each simplex sub-band. Is it
> > >>maybe a problem of not doing the arithmetic?
>
> I guess what I want to know is, why is Michigan set up (voluntarily) at
> 20KHz and Ohio 15?the repeater splits are the same for everywhere so why
> would simplex be different?
>
> If the QRM in Ohio is from a Michigan station 5KHz away or visa versa it
> would seem the problem lies not with the operator but with an inefficient
> band plan. On the other hand, if I want to use a frequency that is
> unoccupied, it's a little abrasive to expect me to move just because your
> squelch is being broken 5KHz away.
>
> Tim, ka8ddz

1894. RF Safety standards??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <6a3dnh$fr0@snews3.zippo.com>
Source record: 181026

There was a web site somewhere?? Maybe at the FCC?? But I
searcdhed and can't find it. Does anyone know the location of
the site that let you plug in your freq, power, ant, etc and get
a figure for conforming to the new RF safety standards???
Thanks!!
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

1895. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Burch <Libertybell7@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C54508.8DAEC3F9@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181027
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:

> Tim Hynde wrote:
> > ... tell us what he really meant by that Carl, ...
> > ... you've been at this a while Carl, ...
>
> Tim, some people, including me, may be confused and may I
> suggest, since my name is Cecil, so are you. :-)
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA

Hi Cecil, Thats a really cool call sign! Does it mean REALLY
likes CODE ALOT?
Cutie boy is just a lazy NG troll. Best wishes to you Mike Burch
K8MB.

1896. Re: Vanity callsign????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C54868.1F37@icss.net>
Source record: 181028
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Brian wrote:> > Dick W0EX
> >
> > Isn't W0EX a vanity call?
> > Brian/N0iMD
>
> Brian:
>
> The terms "vanity call" and "vanity license plate" did not exist when I
> received this callsign, in 1977. Such callsigns were then known as
> "Preferred" callsigns. The term "vanity callsign" came about following
> the widespread popularization of "vanity" license plates for personal
> automobiles some years later, and then even later, someone decided to
> apply the term to ham radio callsigns that were specifically requested.
>
> It is the first ever issue of this callsign, because there was no 10th
> "zero" district until it was created from the 9th and others just after
> WW2 and no further 1x2's were issued following that time until the era
> in which I recieved it.
>
> I *did not* request this callsign when I *did* request a 1x2.
> Since "vanity callsigns" are specifically requested by the holder, and
> since this one well predates the initiation of the term, I don't
> consider this callsign to be one. It is what the FCC decided to send me.
> Your mileage may vary.
>
> I held a 1x3 at the time, and as you know, for code communications
> at least, "shorter is better".
>
> BTW-- I did, however, request a specific callsign at that time, but
> it was already taken. What callsign was that, you ask? Well.....W0ET.
> Can you imagine?-----
>
> DoubleEwe zero dit dah. CW Nirvana. Alas, it was not to be.
>
> Of course, when the movie "ET" followed a few years later, I learned
> to count my blessings and be glad some other poor soul got there first.
>
> Presumably the FCC issued me the next open callsign following that
> which I had requested.
>
> Dick W0EX

Dick, my first call was Kay Ay Zero Zed Ef Why. Whatta turkey on 40CW (novice subband). No wonder I got no takers. I had to graduate to Tek to talk to anybody (and dump ka0zfy).
Life has been rosey since then.
73, Brian/N0iMD

1897. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C54BDC.3013@icss.net>
Source record: 181029
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
> >On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> >wrote:
>
> >>Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any
> >>Lids there?
>
> >> Sure there are bad ops on hf.
>
> >> But most of them are on phone not
> >>CW.
>
> >how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
> >feeling against others by the use of CW.
>
> Sure it is Cutie Boy, .._. .._ and it's much faster than on voice.....
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

Jim, you cheated. You abbreviated.
I learned the entire phoenetic alphabet during a slow midshift in the
weather station. It started by swearing at each other phonetically.
Much slower that ordinary voice or CW. But it WAS fun to learn. I was
a huked on fonics fanatic.
Maybe IF we could swear at each other in CW...
Sayonara, Brian/N0iMD

1898. Re: Need advice on Code Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Gundlach <tomg@zianet.com>
Message-ID: <34C5533A.F17180FF@zianet.com>
Source record: 181030

I like VU2ZAP's program version 2.22c do not remember where I got it but
D/L from a ham site a FREEbe. Tom KS5X

Michael D. Thomas wrote:

> Can anyone suggest the "best" software for someone just
> starting off learning code? I have a WIN-95 computer. I
> started using the W5YI code tapes and wanted to have
> another training source. Obviously any other advice would
> be welcome as well.
>
> 73's
>
> Mike/KB8VYT
>
> --
> ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
> michael d. thomas
> mdt2@po.cwru.edu
> ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

1899. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34C55A5C.6762@sccoast.net>
Source record: 181031

> jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote...
>
> No irony at all. They're two very different services. If he had
> a Marine License, he could transmit on any maritime freq'y between
> 2 and 28 MHz. That service has nothing at all in common with the
> ARS.
>
> You seem to confuse CB and ham radio - that appears to be a common
> occurance among folks such yourself.

REPLY...

I'm not confusing the two services, Jeffrey. My comment clearly referred to the fact that the CB band is in the HF region, and that a person without any license can use that HF band, but a Technician with a Amateur radio license cannot use any Amateur HF frequency. That seems somewhat ironic to me.

By the way, Jeffrey, you said "among folks such yourself." What kind of "folk" are you prejudicially grouping me with Jeffrey?

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

1900. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C56B05.2052@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181032
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> > In article <34C3D502.8B1CCCF6@ix.netcom.com>,
> > M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
> >
> > >Hi Cecil. Yep they are coded hams and so are the bozos jamming them.
> >
> > Maybe you can explain how you can identify a jammer as being "coded" or not.
> >
> > Does the signal sound different when its a jammer with code versus a jammer
> > without code?
>
> Hi Michael, No I don't have a crystal ball to look into to see if the people
> doing the jamming are coded or not. Not unless they ID that is. But I can
> also use some common sense logic and come to some reasonable conclusions.

WHAT, NO PROOF??????????????????

> The most obvious is that I really don't think a lot of unlicensed people would
> go out and by expensive hf radio equipment and set up antenna systems just to
> jam the bozos on the lib net.

But if they already had said equipment to use above 27 mHz...........

> Regardless of if they are licensed for hf or not, we need to clean up the
> bands and get this type of garbage off of ham radio. It makes us all look
> bad.

Earlier in the evening, 7 to7:45 pm I let my receiver sit on 3850 kHz,
waiting to hear some of the terrible gargbage that has so often been
noted her. Not being a fan of such stuff and having never before tried
listening to it there, I didn't recognize any of the players.

Hmmmmm....during the entire 45 minute period all I heard was a bunch
of ordinary sounding individuals, all of whom evidently were acquainted,
discussing rigs, and normal ham radio chitchat. NOT ONE FOUL WORD did I
hear. Not a single jammer showed up and not a discouraging word was
uttered. This, following the superclean 6 hour channel 19 experience of
a couple days ago.

This must be my week to hear only clear air and clean stuff. Sure hope
it turns out to be a trend.

Dick W0EX

1901. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C57127.1D49@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181033

fSCO wrote:
>
> wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net (Bruce & Debora Gordon) wrote:
>
> >take it out to back yard, wrap in multiple layers of aluminum foil, dig
> >hole 4 feet deep, put wrapped radio in hole, replace dirt on top of
> >radio.
> >
> >There you have just protected your radio from EMP. Definitly 100%
> >protection.
> >
> But unless it is sealed in something to keep out the water it will be
> ruined.
>
> >The survivalist whacko's always but two of every electronic device so
> >they can use one and bury the other, for use after the big one and they
> >return to the surface to rebuild our great civilization.
>
> Why would you call a survivalist a 'whacko'? But in any case it will
> be the survivalist who is left to carry on.
>
> Don't come knocking on my door when you are out of food and water and
> ammo and batteries ... because you thought it was 'whacko' to
> stockpile emergency supplies.
>
> >
> >Bruce AL7AQ
> >

It's a shame you got such a lame answer to your post. This is a
legitimate question, if a rare one.

I do not know how to protect a radio from the emp of a nuclear blast!
But I am sure that there must be some information available on the net,
somewhere. Truth is, as maybee the lame responder did not know, it is a
topic a much discussion for people who build gear for the military. So
if the military can ask, why can't you.

BTW, I doubt that wraping your radio with aluminum foil is the brightest
thing to do, but again, I am not an expert on this subject.

Burying it will definately help, but, it is hard to used burried.

Hoping you find your answer!

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

1902. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6a3s8dnen1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 181034
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>,
James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:

>Probably true Michael. It's also probably true that there would be many
>fewer hams than there are today if the codeless license had not come into
>existence. And, there's a goodly portion of wheat among this so-called
>"chaff".

I disagree. Its too early to tell.

I suspect that we will find a large number of codeless techs are not
renewing their amateur tickets, once the initial rounds of those licenses
come up for renewal.

>You see Michael, as hams we already know what's in it for us. But before
>you're a ham, you haven't found out yet whether it's something that will
>interest you or not. The investment in time is a gamble - one with
>an unknown pay-off.
>
>But somebody probably felt, that in order to keep the hobby healthy, it
>should be presented to a greater number of people.

Using this logic, Jim, you might as well say that we should just hand out
licenses to people who want them, after they sign an affidavit saying they
have read, understand, and agree to abide by the regulations in Part 97.
I'm sure there are thousands of people who would otherwise get involved in
the hobby if there were no testing requirements whatsoever. I'm also sure
another entire segment of the population would get involved in ham radio
if radios were free for the taking. Let's require Radio Shack to give them
away, shall we?

>Undoubtedly they
>realized that the code was discouraging too many folks from finding out
>what ham radio was all about, and from discovering the self-satisfying
>pay-off amateur radio offers us.

Maybe, but only renewal statistics will tell for sure.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

1903. Re: Martin Luther King Day Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C578CC.100A@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181035

I did not know King was a Ham. What was his call sign ?
After all, why would you mention him in here if he was
not a Ham .. !

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

Kemosabie wrote:
>
> MailfrmPA wrote in message
> <19980119234700.SAA14113@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
> >>Just wanted to wish everyone out there in USENET land a very happy,
> extremely
> >>merry Martin Luther King Day...and a reminder to be sure and celebrate
> this
> >>important holiday in an appropriate manner :-)
> >
> >Yeah, I went to work!
>
> Yesterday is a State Holiday here in Virginia and it is Lee-Jackson Day!
>
> Big Iron
> >
> >K ï¿½MB

1904. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrel Waller <career_darrel@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <e5rNrgiJ9GA.309@upnetnews03>
Source record: 181036

Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C57127.1D49@earthlink.net>...
>
>I do not know how to protect a radio from the emp of a nuclear blast!
>But I am sure that there must be some information available on the net,
>somewhere. Truth is, as maybee the lame responder did not know, it is a
>topic a much discussion for people who build gear for the military. So
>if the military can ask, why can't you.
>
>BTW, I doubt that wraping your radio with aluminum foil is the brightest
>thing to do, but again, I am not an expert on this subject.
>
>Burying it will definately help, but, it is hard to used burried.

I seem to have missed the original post so I'll reply here...

I *do* know how to protect a radio from Nulcear EMP, the only problem is no-one except for the military/gov can afford it. I very much doubt that you can do anything with any off-the-shelf electronics other than bury it. I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel plate it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it, hope you never have a reason to dig it up.

FYI: I worked on the systems(s) used to EMP test military avionics in situ, project was named 'Trestle'; good luck finding out anything else about it ;-).

1905. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C5871C.445D@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181037
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

N2EY wrote:
I have had to personally stop fellow passengers on
> >commercial airliners from using their personal cell phones - even after they
> >were warned by the cabin attendants to turn off all radios. This is one kind of
> >publicity ham radio does NOT need!

> the next to smoke detector in the bathroom is radio detector ??

It just keeps getting worse! This nut doesn't even know that he could
cause the airliner he is riding in to crash because he fouled up the
glide slope indicator, low approach warning or some other avionics with
a ham radio HT!!!

Wonder why he thinks it's against the law. Some "hazing ritual?"
The "Olde Fartze Pilots Association" keeping the kids in check?

It's plain that in "some places" ham radio licenses come in Cracker
Jacks boxes. I guess we need that here, too.

What's "useless" is not CW - it's m@s@.

1906. Re: RF Safety standards??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C582D9.710E@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181038

Yes, I have a link at my site to the University of Texas site
which has a safety level calculator.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

Greg wrote:
>
> There was a web site somewhere?? Maybe at the FCC?? But I
> searcdhed and can't find it. Does anyone know the location of
> the site that let you plug in your freq, power, ant, etc and get
> a figure for conforming to the new RF safety standards???
> Thanks!!
> Greg
> n3nri@innernet.net

1907. FS: NOS JAN 12AT7WC, $4.50 each

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kevin@emodus.com
Message-ID: <6a463niqe4@ha1.rdc1.occa.home.com>
Source record: 181039

NOS Tubes, large quantities of each available.

FS: NOS 6AZ8 Philips, $3.25 each
FS: NOS JAN 12AT7WC, $4.50 each
FS: NOS JAN 5751 GE, $3.50 each
FS: NOS JAN 6922(E88CC, 6DJ8) Philips, $3.25 each
FS: NOS 7062 (E180CC) Amperex,$4.00 each
6186W (6AG5WA) Phillips $15.00 per box of 100 tubes

****
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FS: 12AU7A, $1.40 each
FS: 12AX7, $2.00 each
FS: 12AX7A, $2.00 each
****

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Emodus, PO Box 6117, Laguna Niguel, CA, 92607-6117, USA

1908. Looking for TH-79E Modifications and docs.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Hans Kremers <HKremers@mmcontrol.ch>
Message-ID: <34c4cf3a.0@news.netlink.ch>
Source record: 181040

Hi,

Can anyone help me to service documentation and/or a list of modifications
for the Kenwood TH-79A/E ?

Regards,

Hans

1909. Re: Improving cordless phone reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34c52e97.1341482@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 181041

On Tue, 20 Jan 1998 12:19:15 -0500, Lab Assistant <lent@gatech.edu>
wrote:

>Does anyone have any ideas on
>1. how to improve cordless phone performance?
> legal suggestions are the best, of course :)
> Things to do the antenna, or phone systems that work better than
>others.
>2. where I can buy a "long range" cordless phone. by long range I mean
>one mile or so including a few bends and corners. Something I can use
>on a 100 acre farm in the mountians and not something limited to a small
>yard and is not on a cellular net.
>
>I have tried a digital 900mhz spread spectrum phone and it is better
>than a typical cheap 49 mhz version, but it can't take any hills. I
>have use something that I found at a local radio shack (not made by
>radio shack) and it works well, but that was 10 years ago and they can't
>get anymore.
>
>please reply to
>gte900f@prism1.gatech1.edu1 (remove the 1's from the address)
>
>thanks,
>73, Eddie KS4TY

Hi Eddie
Someone may show me to be wrong but I don't think you can, plus, is it
really worth it?

Have you, since you signed as an amateur, consider being more creative
method and build your own private, simplex autopatch, autopatch. Then
you can use a couple of watts and an unused band/channel.
Just a thought
Larry ve3fxq

1910. Dial Plastic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C49AA5.5D9F@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181100

For sale dial plastic as used in a lot of old radios, very clear, can be glued to the back side of the radio's front panel 8"x10" sheet $3.00
73 Gary K0IMJ http://home.earthlink.net/~docky

1911. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <X1Tw.232$9Y3.663025@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 181101

In <6a0f98$ejk@news.cc.oberlin.edu>, pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu writes:
>This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
>to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
>channel. I'll be monitoring 147.525 in my home state, Ohio, which
>has 15 KHz channel spacing, and hear squelch breaking from time

it's not absolute....go with the flow. to the other guys, you're 5 kHz away
from them as well.

1912. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <ZbTw.234$9Y3.663025@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 181102

In <34bfe90f.2627867@news.mindspring.com>, sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) writes:
>NOT TRUE. The number of General and Advanced class hams has been
>declining (total numbers in each class) over the past two years. The
>'new' hams in those classes are not enough to replenish the numbers
>who die or do not renew.
>W4SCO

well, there's no sales pitch to get people to understand there's a reason to upgrade. amateur radio has always done better at selling to the unlicensed.

now, there's a need for a "here's how to upgrade and why you want to" work and we don't have it.

maybe if general/advanced drop enough, a consolidation might be in order..?

1913. Re: M@s@'s signatures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34c9fbcc.2640612@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181103
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 23:15:19 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

>On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 09:05:29 -0800, Laura Halliday <ve7ldh@direct.ca>
>wrote:
>
>>> GOOD GRIEF !
>>> How many French-speaking readers might this group have, since
>>> French is spoken routinely in only the following countries...
>
>>C'est une groupe internationale, et on peut s'exprimer en
>>n'importe quelle langue. Si tu ne comprends pas, c'est
>>dommage...
>
>
>>Laura Halliday "Les cigognes se sont envolees
>>ve7ldh@direct.ca Est-ce que nos promesses seront eternelles?
>>Grid: CN89mg Les tournesols se sont refermes
>>(Chenevez/Laporte) Peut-etre la vie est-elle encore belle."
>
>
>Merci pour votre commentaire.
>
>
>ï¿½galement nous pouvons nous servir de tous les langages sur n'importe
>quelles frï¿½quences par radio d'amateur. Quelqu'un peut parler le
>langage autre qu'anglais ou le Franï¿½ais sur votre rï¿½pï¿½teur local de
>2m, et vous ne devriez pas vous plaindre quand elle ainsi.
>
>
>Je crois que beaucoup de gens dans ce newsgroup parlent franï¿½ais, mais
>nous tends ï¿½ prï¿½fï¿½rer l'anglais.
>
>
>Merci !!
>
>
>____
>Visit this excellent site
>why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>http://www.nocode.org
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>

>Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
>Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
>ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
>Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
>Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
>_____
>***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
>***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
>ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

wonderful
all we need is another french canook faggot whinyboy
I can handle one or 2 of the above, but not all in the same
smartass package
I need no spamtastic remailer either spamboy

1914. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <CgTw.236$9Y3.663025@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 181104

In <34C02404.F96@asu.edu>, Will White <will.white@asu.edu> writes:
>Roger, W6VZV wrote:
>> 3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
>> proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
>> antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1
>
>This seems to make sense until you look at licensing figures. There are
>more licensed now than ever before. It is more likely that *increasing*
>numbers have led to the proliferation of covenants, if there is any
>correlation at all. Such restrictions are in fact general not directed
>at hams exclusively, but at a variety of "nuisances," creative
>landscaping, treehouses, washlines, etc.
>
>--Will White

it's probably more due to the TV and CB booms that were followed up by
more and better located TV stations plus cable (removing the need for antennas)
and the bust of the CB market and all those unused antennas up all over town..

i doubt many of the people who write or wrote such CCRs really had amateur
radio singled out when they did so.

when i drive around today, i still see delapidated antennas in various states of
failure. that can't be good for a service that needs 'em...

1915. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34d2fd1d.2977850@news.flash.net>
Source record: 181105

On 19 Jan 1998 05:28:55 GMT, "Rick Mudd" <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
wrote:

>On the subject...We had a guy up here in the northwest that splattered from
>50.100 to 50.300 during the uhf/vhf contest. I listened to him from over
>200 miles away. Obvious QRO+++...
>
>Paul Bilberry <paul@actiontel.com> wrote in article
><34bd8fb7.222640006@news.abilene.com>...
>> Gareth Crispell wrote:
>>
>> >Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>> >everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>> >station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>> >spread?
>> >I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>> >however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>> >this is no longer considered true.
>>
>>
>> It's true. I do that running legal limit. It's so easy, turn the mike
>> gain down.
>>
>> Paul
>> N5DUP
>>
>> AM Lives...
>>
k9mk did that same thing on 2m from mobile
144.18-144.25 9 s units of noise from this guy.
and a real nice guy as well, he ingnored anyone
notifying him of the problem....until I turned this
2m 2x4cx250b amp on......

1916. Re: New Acronym for Ham Radio Operator in TV Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <KuTw.237$9Y3.663025@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 181106

In <69rknf$f5r@news.asu.edu>, wmunsil@aztec.asu.edu (WILLIAM W MUNSIL) writes:
>
>Maybe we can flood the 800 subscription number with complaints and
>threats to cancel our subscriptions.
>
>1-800-677-6400
>TV GUIDE Customer Service Hotline.
>
>73 de N7AOU/ATV - definitely NOT an acronym.
>

well, let's see...

an 800 number gets the phone number of the phone you use to make the call.
absolutely, positively.

repeated calls to the same number could be considered harassment.

there are laws and rules about such behaviours that can cost a bunch.

better to drop in a reasonable e-mail instead.

1917. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <ayTw.238$9Y3.663025@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 181107

In <jwilkersEMxE5A.Mt3@netcom.com>, jwilkers@netcom.com (John L. Wilkerson Jr.) writes:
>cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:
>>Question: what does "HAM" stand for?
>Home Amateur Mechanic.
>.... per a copy of a 1917 Radio times.
>John L. Wilkerson Jr. jwilkers@netcom.com

produce a copy.

this has been said to be a discredited explaination before.

1918. Icom CI-V radio - interface help required

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Fisher <klfisher@compusmart.ab.ca>
Message-ID: <01bd254a$2aa361c0$89554bce@default>
Source record: 181108

I am interested if someone can provide information as to how to send data
to the com port in C++.
(This is for a radio controlled using the Icom CI-V standard)

Sample portion of code (Sorry if there are mistakes - I'm just learning
this):

```
--------------------------------------------------------------------------------
------------------------------------------------
# include <iostream.h>

void main ( )
{
char cEnd = 'F';

char szInput[20],
szRemote[20] = 'FE FE 80 E0 7F 02 FD', (Will not change)
szPreamble[20] = 'FE FE 80 E0 05 00', (Will not change)
szEnd[2] = 'FD'; (Will not change)

// Send remote string to com port to force remote control of radio

FE FE 80 E0 7F 02 FD

While cEnd == 'F'
{
cout << "Enter frequency in MHz: ";
cin >> szInput;

// Example of input 162.5500

// Convert input string into proper order for below : 00 55 62
01

// Send preamble out com port along with frequency value and end value

FE FE 80 E0 05 00 00 55 62 01 FD // This is full command needed to
tune radio.

cout << "Enter another frequency [y/n]:";

cin >> cEnd;

}

}
return;
```

(I need to convert this to hex ? and send it out the com port. This is to control a computer controlled radio.)

Any help appreciated.

Thanks
Kevin Fisher
klfisher@compusmart.ab.ca

1919. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: algo@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <6a1485$bj2$1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 181109

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 18:09:03 -0500, mb@nac.net (Mark S. Bond) wrote:

>
>In New Jersey, a state famous for high taxes and costs, you pay a one time
>fee for personalized plates. After the initial fee, you pay the regular
>registration renewal.
==========
And ham plates are pretty cheap in NJ. One time fee of $10 per car.
Paid $20 to get two sets of plates K1XV and K1XV-2

Ray, K1XV

1920. Re: Looking for Address

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wmunsil@aztec.asu.edu
Message-ID: <6a14p2$jsf@news.asu.edu>
Source record: 181110

I think ELKTRONICS is WB8ELK. Perhaps you could look it up in a call
sign list.

Bil
--
Lernu la Internacian Lingvon, Esperanto. Call 800-Esperanto for info.
Check soc.culture.esperanto for Esperanto in daily usage.

1921. Receiver sensitivity!??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: electron78@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980120031600.WAA28004@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181111

Why do I never see receiver gain in any of the equations for a receiver's sensitivity rating?? It ALL seems to hinge on thermal noise and the receiver's own noise figure. Why wouldn't IF gain have a HUGE bearing on a receiver's sensitivity!? Thanks!

Mike

1922. Re: SSB damage radar??? Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: davew@cruzio.com
Message-ID: <6a128n$9qb@snews2.zippo.com>
Source record: 181112

In article <34C2A4A7.62E185FD@erols.com>,
"T.O. Galloway" <tgall@erols.com> wrote:
>The setup:
>On a sailboat the back stay is split and insulated being used as the SSB
>antenna with a tunner. 100 watt unit.
>About 6 to 8 feet away is marine radar unit. The radar dome being at
>about the same level as the bottom of the SSB antenna.
>
>The question:
>If the radar is on and running, will transmitting on the SSB damage the
>radar unit? An electronics company that installs these units advises a
>friend of mine against this setup and wants to put the radar in a
>different (more difficult and more expensive for my friend) location. I
>have never even heard of such a precaution before.
>
>Is there anybody out there with radar experience that can verify or deny
>this claim?
>
>Thanks
>T.O.
>WB5SXC
>

I have been working on marine electronics for 28 years and have never heard of this. We have the same installation and have had several different radars on the boat and never a problem. You may get some RFI from the radar PRF on the SSB but that is all I would expect. Install a good ground on the SSB, tuner and RADAR display to minimize the RFI/EMI.

Dave

David Wells KD6TO (KD6 Teletype Operator)
FCC GROL with Radar and GMDSS Maintainers License
NMEA Certified
INTERNET: davew@cruzio.com
OPINIONS EXPRESSED ARE MY PERSONAL ONES AND
DO NOT REPRESENT THOSE OF MY EMPLOYER

1923. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: DavidC <davidc@bit-net.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2555$b9d90f60$dd8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>
Source record: 181113
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Why are we comparing bad to worse, or visa versa? May we not set a civilized standard and equally condem all who seek to destroy that?

One of the few purposes of a govenment with power is to defend against those, internally or externally, who seek to violate the freedom of others to function in a civilized environment.

The more we tolerate those who insist upon acting outside of civilized behavior, the more excuses we give to the tyrants (left and right wing) who would in their zeal to protect, actually hurt and destroy.

Let's all turn down the volume a whole bunch ... the only ones impressed are usually those who are making the noise in the first place anyhow.

73, DavidC AA1FA

1924. Re: Hams on 2m 147.52

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: wmunsil@aztec.asu.edu
Message-ID: <6a18cd$dpu@news.asu.edu>
Source record: 181114

One of the posts mentioned using 147.00 as a simplex frequency.
In many area it is the rcv side of 146.400 and in others the rcv
side of 147.600. In other words, a dedicated repeater frequence.
AAAARGH! frequency.
145.000 might be okay.
de N7AOU/ATV
Bil from Yarnell AZ, USA.
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Lernu la Internacian Lingvon, Esperanto. Call 800-Esperanto for info.
Check soc.culture.esperanto for Esperanto in daily usage.

1925. SWAP: Printer for Mutual Cond. Tube Tester

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6a1951fqt2@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 181115

SAME AS NEW EPSON EX-1000 WIDE CARRIAGE DOT MATRIX PRINTER.

Can't be told from new, extraordinary super shape. Great for doing economical quick printouts of email, drafts, etc. in conjunction with your laser or inkjet. FAR CHEAPER TO RUN THAN an inkjet or laser. Can do all graphics, fonts, found in Windows or on the net in black & white--same as any more expensive black & white laser or inkjet would do.

UNUSUAL NICE FEATURES ARE ILLUMINATED TOUCH PAD BUTTONS FOR:

Select Type Controls

- Draft
- Pica
- Elite
- Normal
- NLQ Roman
- NLQ Sans Serif
- Proportional
- Condensed

LEDS (LIGHTS) FOR:

- Power
- Ready
- Paper

BUTTONS FOR:

- On Line (also has LED too)
- Form Feed
- Line Feed

$50 B/O plus shipping (which isn't much) OR WILL SWAP FOR TUBE TESTER.

Do not have manual, but it's simple to operate.

The unit weighs 36 pounds packed in it's box ready for shipment.

International buyer welcome.

1926. CCRs, was Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6a1ao9$foo@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181116

wnewkirk@iu.net wrote:

>In <34C02404.F96@asu.edu>, Will White <will.white@asu.edu> writes:
>>Roger, W6VZV wrote:
>>> 3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
>>> proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
>>> antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1
>>
>>This seems to make sense until you look at licensing figures. There are
>>more licensed now than ever before. It is more likely that *increasing*
>>numbers have led to the proliferation of covenants, if there is any
>>correlation at all. Such restrictions are in fact general not directed
>>at hams exclusively, but at a variety of "nuisances," creative
>>landscaping, treehouses, washlines, etc.
>>--Will White

>it's probably more due to the TV and CB booms that were followed up by
>more and better located TV stations plus cable (removing the need for antennas)
>and the bust of the CB market and all those unused antennas up all over town..

>i doubt many of the people who write or wrote such CCRs really had amateur
>radio singled out when they did so.

>when i drive around today, i still see delapidated antennas in various states of
>failure. that can't be good for a service that needs 'em...

More likly, as Bill Newkirk noted, it was the proliferation of cable
service. The cable company gets a monopoly market for prewiring the
new development with cable and all the developer does is
add a CCR restricting outside antennae.

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No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

1927. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6a1b4p$foo@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 181117

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <6a0f98$ejk@news.cc.oberlin.edu>,
> <pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu> wrote:

>>This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
>>to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
>>channel.

>The last I knew, my radio doesn't have channels. And, my license allows me
>to transmit anywhere between
>144 and 148MHz. That means if I want to transmit on 147.523323232,
>I'm within my operating privileges to do so.

True, but that is poor operating practice to operate within only
5-10KHz of the input or output of a repeater or a well
known simplex frequency such as 146.52

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1928. Need ext coverage mods for kenwood TS120/s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: rtrees1@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980120051100.AAA07332@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181118

I need all posible mods for my Kenwood TS120s Any help would be greatly helpfull. Thanks,N2zgw

1929. Re: Receiver sensitivity!??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2561$dce51ce0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181119

Electron78 <electron78@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980120031600.WAA28004@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> Why do I never see receiver gain in any of the equations for a receiver's
> sensitivity rating?? It ALL seems to hinge on thermal noise and the
receiver's
> own noise figure. Why wouldn't IF gain have a HUGE bearing on a receiver's
> sensitivity!? Thanks!
>
> Mike
>

Because the way the noise figure cascade equations work, the low
noise gain at the front end "swamps out" the noise contribution
of the following stages and dominates the overall system noise
figure ... once you have something like 10-20 dB of low noise
front-end gain, practically anything after that is, to a first
approximation, more-or-less irrelevant.

So, NO, IF gain does NOT "have a HUGE bearing on a receiver's
sensitivity."

Another thing to consider is that, for HF receivers, noise figures
of 10-13 dB are not uncommon, since external noise sources dominate
at those frequencies (note the difference in RX noise output with
and without antenna connected in an HF receiver). However, at VHF
and UHF the receiver's noise figure dominates and sets the limitation
on receiver sensitivity in most cases. Thus, a 1 dB noise figure would
be of little practical use in an HF receiver, but would make a pretty
respectable receiver at 450 MHz).

To summarize ... huge receiver gains don't make for more sensitivity,
so adding huge amounts of IF gain doesn't help a damned bit. Even
adding high-gain preamps won't improve sensitivity unless the noise
figure of the preamp is significantly better than the existing system
noise figure ... all you'll do is overload the front-end and create
a lot of unnecessary intermods and spurious responses.

As you (seemingly reluctantly) observed, low noise figures make for
more sensitivity (at least at the higher frequencies where device
noise is dominant ...

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Join No Code International!

Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

1930. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2562$51ef4560$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 181120

Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote in article
<34C4113A.29B3@wf.quik.com>...
> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> >
> > I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> > my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> > letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> > early radio amateurs.
> ----------
>
> Poor old Hiram ..... Percy ..... Maxim.
>
> Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
> besides Ham Radio .. ?
>
> Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
>

I believe it had something to do with inventing a machine gun
of some sort ....

--
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1931. Swap 10x

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Ralph C. Noll" <rcnoll@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <6a1d15$cc1@dfw-ixnews10.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181121

Swap 10X numbers on the CHANNEL ISLANDS CHAPTER 10X INTERNATIONAL, Net is every Wednesday at 28.340 MHz, UTC time is 18:00-20:00 again at 02:00-04:00. PST is 10am-12noon again at 6pm-8pm. 10 meter is getting more active, so point your antennas to Oxnard, Ca and join in the fun. Nonmembers are most welcome to join the quest for 10-10 numbers. For information e-nail rcnoll@ix.netcom.com. 73

1932. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C444A1.3D8D@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 181122

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
> > Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
> > besides Ham Radio .. ?
> >
> > Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
> >
>
> I believe it had something to do with inventing a machine gun
> of some sort ....
>

Right on.
> Carl - wa6vse
> wa6vse@fast.net
> NCI #1052
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> help to assure its survival into the 21st century!
>

1933. Re: How do I reset Kenwood TS 440

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: kk5uu@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980120065401.BAA28832@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181123

>I moved the radio room and misplaced the manual to my 440 Could someone
>tell me how to reset the radio. That you Jerry WA6FCY.

according to my artsci mod book reset cpu by pressing and holding A=B and
turn power on

1934. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Jennings <ki0eo@frontiernet.net>
Message-ID: <34C44E61.1F1E@frontiernet.net>
Source record: 181124

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> > On 19 Jan 1998 20:10:01 GMT, "Bill Smith" <bs@BSartist.com> wrote:
> >
> > >Folks,
> > > I have an old 23 channel CB with upper and lower sideband. I also have a
> > >technician class license that does not allow me to transmit below 50MHz.
> > >
> > > Can I legally transmit on the sidebands down there? Are they treated like
> > >CB frequencies? Or Ham frequencies?
> > >
> > >--
> > >Bill Smith
> > >bs@BSartist.com
> > >http://bsartist.com
> > >n2asa
> >
> > I don't think you can transmit by using old CB rig.
> >
> > ... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is it possible to
> > transmit anything today ?? no... same concept.
>
> As usual Cutie Boy is clueless, he is however very entertaining. Your amateur status
> has nothing to do with using the CB as intended on the CB bands so talk away and
> enjoy. You'll need to upgrade to at least tech plus if you want to move it up into
> the ham bands. There is alot of information available about converting CB's to 10m,
> if you have one that runs SSB it would make an excellent candidate for conversion.
>
> Tim
Where did he buy his ham ticket ?
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E-mail: ki0eo@frontiernet.net

Web Page: <http://www.frontiercomm.net/~ki0eo/dj.html>

1935. FS: Vacum Tubes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: iv091@cleveland.freenet.edu
Message-ID: <885280109.950337554@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181125
Cross-posted to: rec.antiques.radio+phono,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I've got some OB2 Tubes for sale. They are pull outs from a home
built unit that used 100 together. The manufactures are: CBS, RCA,
Remington Rand, IBM.
1 $2.00 + $1.00 S&H
10 $15.00 + $3.00 S&H
25 $25.00 + $5.00 S&H
Check out my web page at:
http://members.tripod.com/~wahkeena/zsale.htm
e-mail: iv091@cleveland.freenet.edu
Thanks for your time.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

1936. WTB Heathkits

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C4F938.2146@earthlink.net>
Source record: 181126

I am looking to buy Heathkits to complete my
collection...http://home.earthlink.net/~docky please e-mail if you
would like to turn that old Heathkit into $ 73 Gary K0IMJ

1937. ACS Newsletter for 1-17-98

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a1bfc$gfn@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181127
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Welcome to the ACS Newsletter, developed by the ACS Training Unit of the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. Please visit our ACS Home Page at http://acs.oes.ca.gov

The purpose of this weekly newsletter is to bring those of us in emergency communications closer together by sharing common ideas, and by introducing new technology into the emergency services community. All individuals with an interest in emergency communications, disaster preparedness or helping the community at large are encouraged to participate here in an open forum.

You will find a virtual community here with representatives from many different organizations with the same common goal: emergency response. We encourage everyone, from whatever organization you represent (or just yourself!) to bring us your ideas, suggestions, concerns, manuals, handbooks, or opinions so that we may share them with the group. To those of you who have just joined us, welcome aboard! Newsletter Subscribers: <524>

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>From the Editor's Desk:
Sorry for the lateness of this Newsletter... I'd like to thank the flight crews, staff and agents of United Airlines, who responded promptly and professionally for a quickly needed bereavement flight to Nebraska last week. Also, thanks to the many folks who sent me email this last week. My family and I appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

See you all on Saturday with a complete Newsletter - Dave

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Current Events:

From: Stan Harter <Stanly_Harter@oes.ca.gov>

Ed Farmer (HQ ACS staff) reports: "The National Guard has requested I do a class on HF planning. Do you think anyone from OES would want to attend if we did it in Sacramento? What if we did it in Los Alamitos?"

As you may know, Ed is an expert in NVIS and WorldRadio published his definitive compendium on Near Vertical Incidence Skywave propagation. NVIS fits virtually all our intrastate HF communications needs.

Should you like to attend (date and time yet unknown), please make your interest known to me (916) 262-1603 and Ed Farmer (76121.3726@compuserve.com).

From: chiefdoc@juno.com (Robert EB Spencer)

Dave,
Would you be able to put the following information in the "ACS Newsletter" for the next several Saturdays re: Winterfest 98' in Monterey, sponsored by the Naval Postgraduate School Amateur Radio Club:

WINTERFEST 98'
February 21, 1998 (Saturday) 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM
National Guard Armory (behind Monterey Peninsula College)
Monterey, California

FREE Public Service Event

ALL facets of Amateur Radio will be represented and demonstrated!

Spread Spectrum Satellite
Voice & CW Packet
ATV APRS
MARS ARES

Hopefully we will also have several "static" displays:

Red Cross Van (ERV) Santa Cruz ARES Van

The California Department Of Forestry and Fire Prevention Volunteers in Prevention (Amateur Radio Comunications), will also be represented and will have pamphlets on the program, as well as, registration applications.

The Web Page: www.mcktech.com/wf98.htm

On the Web page there are futher details on Winterfesr 98' and many other 'sites', connected to 'ham' radio. There is also a map on how to get to the college and specifically the National Guard Armory!

From: kaf8571@juno.com (Kay E Neil)

Dave,

Can you submit the ICS/SEMS to the acs newsletter for us? It will be at the Saylorville, Iowa Fire Department, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with lunch brought in. There is a small registration fee, but not set yet. The date is February 7.

We are looking forward to the class and I will give you a follow-up on how it went.

Thanks for everything.

We'll be in touch.

Kay Neil

A Communications Center Supervisor Class has been scheduled in Chesterfield, VA for April 15 to 17, 1998. Cost is $279, and hotel accomodations in the area are available for about $65.
Contact APCO Institute for more information
904-322-2500

institute@apcointl.org

Kevin Duffy
Director
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This week's EMCOMM Bulletin:

EMC115 Comm. Mutual Aid 2/2 For release 1/19/98
Continuation:

Communications mutual aid is a topic that can be confusing to Amateur Radio operators, hence these illustrations.

In the previous bulletin a general outline of the topic was given, followed by specific examples of familiarization (i.e., training) events in Orange County, CA. The following is a continuation of the quotation from a Huntington Beach (HB) RACES newsletter regarding mutual aid for the July 4, l997 holiday parade:

"RACES personnel were responsible for requesting emergency personnel and getting them to the right locations during the injury incidents that occurred. It was clear by the end of the day that we needed some work on the notif-ication process for responding emergency personnel. Next year we will probably station a RACES person with a representative from each of the significant participating organizations: HB Fire, HB Police, HB Public Works, and the California Highway Patrol as well.
Also noted was this in the newletter: "Mutual aid personnel had to receive approval through Orange County RACES". [This illustrates the request-link to the County.]

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Other mutual aid request situations were found in the Events Calendar of the Huntington Beach RACES Newsletter, Vol. 5, Issue 2, May 1997 :
1. Mutual aid to Orange County RACES for the Irvine Iranian New Year Festival.
2. Mutual aid for City of Newport Beach RACES for the Walk America in Newport Beach. Both of these events were in April.
3. Mutual aid to Orange County for assistance at the Persian New Year Festival held annually each March.

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Also from that same newsletter: The City of Huntington Beach has developed an Employee Emergency Notification Program. It consists of two communications mechanisms: one, the primary, is a phone recording; and the backup is Amateur Radio. In an emergency, employees and family members can phone the Huntington Beach Employee Emergency Information Line. As a backup, family members have a card with instructions for an Amateur Radio operator to get a message through on the

Huntington Beach RACES two-meter frequency. RACES participants in the city can also call the phone number for information about the emergency and whether the EOC is activated. When the EOC is activated the HB RACES is also activated.

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While the following is not mutual aid, it's noteworthy. The City of Buena Park RACES reported that the City of Buena Park directed funds to equip its RACES participants with uniforms for identification purposes. Congratulations Buena Park. [From February 1997 Orange County NetControl.]

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Non-emergency mutual aid events - such as those noted above - serve as training and familiarization opportunities for eventual emergency situations. Having jurisdiction aid and interest is a vital part of the success of government emergency communications units. (series end)

ACS Web page: http://acs.oes.ca.gov FTP archive: ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming for new bulletins and ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/races for earlier ones. Landline BBS: 916-262-0856 (graphical & standard interface). OES ACS staff manager Stan Harter :Stanly_Harter@oes.ca.gov State Chief ACS Officer Cary Mangum: Cary_Mangum@oes.ca.gov

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Please let others in the emergency services field know of the newsletter, and encourage them to join... If you have opinions, suggestions or written material that you'd like to share with the group, let us know. We're always looking for new ideas and suggestions that will benefit everyone.

See you next week!

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If you have any problems, send email to larton@garlic.com

1938. Re: EXTRA CLASS PLUS LICENSE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a1da7$hfs@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181128

Roger Buffington wrote:
> 3. Our lack of numbers has already translated into the
> proliferation of restrictive CC&Rs regarding antennas, local
> antenna ordinances that flout PRB-1

The above is another reason hams should study radio history.

In the middle twenties, a number of communities all over the country passed ordinances restricting, licensing, taxing, or prohibiting operation of amateur radio stations. The ARRL BOD grew concerned about this harassment and asked Paul Segal (League's General Counsel) to pick out a test case to defeat these ordinances once and for all. The first case he picked, involving Portland, Oregon, collapsed after Segal had filed suit in Federal Court, when the town fathers amended their ordinance so that it would not apply to any stations licensed by the federal government. Segal then brought suit against the city of Wilmore, Kentucky, and its chief of police, J.W. Grimes, on behalf of R.B. Whitehurst, 9ALM, seeking to overturn the city's ordinance requiring a license costing $100 per year for the operation of an amateur radio station within the city. After several weeks of intensive on-the-scene effort in Kentucky, Segal had the case blocked out to his own satisfaction. In September, 1927, Judge A.M.J. Cochran of the U.S. District Court for Eastern Kentucky handed down the decision: amateur radio is interstate commerce, even though no compensation is involved and even within a single state because of its effect on other communications between states, and as such must be regulated only by the federal government. The case, known as Whitehurst v. Grimes, is today a cornerstone of amateur defense against local attacks on our right to operate.

(See QST, January 1962, page 40.)

Lack of numbers (what lack?) has nothing to do with restrictive ordinances, Roger. Keep trying, though.

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

1939. Ham plates (was: Vanity Callsigns)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a1dub$htr@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181129

R. Makul K1XV <algo@bellatlantic.net> wrote:
>On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 18:09:03 -0500, mb@nac.net (Mark S. Bond) wrote:

>>In New Jersey, a state famous for high taxes and costs, you pay a one time
>>fee for personalized plates. After the initial fee, you pay the regular
>>registration renewal.

>And ham plates are pretty cheap in NJ. One time fee of $10 per car.
>Paid $20 to get two sets of plates K1XV and K1XV-2

They're free in Oahu County (Hawaii) *if* you join Oahu Civil Defense
RACES.

Jeff KH2PZ

1940. VK2WI News, 18 Jan 98

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Horsfall VK2KFU <dave@esi.com.Remove.Three.Words.au>
Message-ID: <6a1tbd$ppv@eram.esi.com.au>
Source record: 181130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc

DIVISIONAL NEWS (18/01/98)

TRASH AND TREASURE

Don't forget that the first WIA Trash & Treasure for the year will be on Sunday 1st February at Amateur Radio House Parramatta. The last Trash & Treasure at Dural was well attended, so, sellers - come along and bring your shack's surplus gear to make way for the goodies you will collect at Wyong later in the month. Buyers - be there on the lookout for bargains.

This is a social event as well with old friends meeting for a chat, and a chance to match a face to that callsign you worked recently.

Need anything from the bookshop? This will be open for your convenience, and the office also has preloved gear for sale.

Make a good start to the year -- come to the Trash and Treasure on 1st February. Sellers in at 12 noon, buyers at 1 pm.

-- Pat Leeper VK2JPA Trash & Treasure Officer

EXAMINATIONS

The next examinations will be held on Sunday 15 February 1998 at Amateur Radio House, Parramatta. Entries close on Thursday 5th February -- application forms are available from he office - either call in or ring 9689 2417.

PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS

Will those members who have not yet paid their membership fees due 1st January 1889, please forward the renewal notice and your remittance to Parramatta Office, not to Federal Office at Caulfield Victoria.

VK2 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the New South Wales Division will be held at Amateur Radio House, Parramatta on SATURDAY 18 APRIL 1998 COMMENCING AT 11.00 HRS.

Nominations for Cuncil and Motions on Notice must be received at the office not later than 12 noon 7th March 1998. Nominations or motions received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Nomination forms for Council will be available at the office from 1st February 1998

'AX' FOR AUSTRALIA DAY

In celebration of Australia Day, all Australian amateurs can substitute the 'AX' prefix for VK during the 48 hours (local time in each State) of the Australia Day weekend of 24-25 January 1998.

Use of the AX prefix is optional. The decision is up to each amateur. This concession for the use of the special event AX prefix was first granted in 1997, following a successful submission to the then regulators in late 1996, the Spectrum management Agency, now part of the Australian Communications Authority.

--Federal Media Liaison Officer Roger Harrison VK2ZRH

[Late addition: We can now use AX on Australia Day itself - sounds likes a typical Federal stuff-up...]

HELP WANTED

We have had a request for a photocopy of an article which appeared in the American or Canadian Amateur Radio Magazine of September 1989 on page 48. The article is called "Transmitter Power Output increased to 100 watts SSB." The modification is for an UNIDEN HR-2510; 10 metre all mode transceiver.

We do not have a copy in our library. If anyone can help with a copy of the magazine, or of the article, we shall be very grateful. Thank you.

submitted by Aub Topp VK2AXT - Division Librarian

WICEN News

The WICEN mailing list can now be accessed via its own domain; those interested in general WICEN discussions are invited to send a message to "majordomo@nsw.wicen.org.au" for further details.

All regions are requested to have their annual reports in to the Management Committee by 31st March, so that the accounts can be closed off for this financial year.

A new event on the WICEN calendar is the mid-year conference of the Volunteer Rescue Association (VRA -- of whom we are a specialist squad), to be held in Wollongong over the weekend of 21st-22nd March. As usual, WICEN will be well represented, and will even find a way of partaking in the upcoming State Wide Exercise.

The Hornsby and District Amateur Radio Club has invited WICEN to its Open Night on 27th January, so this is a good opportunity to show the community just what it is that we do; help from local members is requested. The Central Coast Amateur Radio Club is having its annual Field Day at Wyong Racecourse on 22nd February, and Malcolm VK2YVA is collecting names for the roster; please consider giving up a couple of hours of your time to help out.

WICEN (NSW) will be holding a statewide exercise, prior to the commencement of the John Moyle Field Day, on March 21, 1998. The objectives are to conduct exercises at a local or regional level; to conduct a statewide HF net for field stations; and to encourage WICEN field stations to remain in place and participate in the John Moyle Memorial Field Day Contest. Field exercises at the local and regional level will provide an opportunity for members to operate from their field station and shake the "bugs" out of their equipment and procedures. RCOs may wish to use this activity to make field tests at locations that may be activated during an emergency, such as Emergency Operations Centres, Rural Fire Control Centres and flood plan evacuation centres. Appropriately equipped field stations may wish to participate in an HF net, a function that is not exercised regularly; perhaps at least one HF station per region could participate. Field stations are encouraged to participate in the John Moyle Field day at the completion of this exercise, which will be no later than 1200 hrs local time. It is hoped that regions will be able to conduct this exercise as realistically as possible, including an activation warning message a day or two preceding the exercise, and an actual callout on the Saturday morning, with operators heading into the field as soon as possible to their appointed locations.

If further information about WICEN (NSW) is required, please contact the acting State Coordinator, Alan VK2YYJ, on the WICEN mobile telephone, 015-097-217.

-- Dave Horsfall VK2KFU, President, WICEN (NSW) Inc.

NEW YORK HAMS HELP IN ICE STORM RECOVERY

Hams in upstate New York continue to respond to the weather emergency caused by ice storms that hit the Northeast. But more bad weather could be on the way to the affected areas. Albany County ARES was activated January 8 to assist the American Red Cross. Neighboring Schenectady County ARES ran a flood watch emergency net on the 2m repeater. The Mount Equinox, Vermont, repeater also was being used to relay information to Northern New York counties when HF could not be utilized.

A state of emergency was declared in five upstate New York counties (Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Jefferson, and St Lawrence). National Guard units were dispatched January 9 to assist in recovery efforts. Five Eastern New York hams are assisting at Red Cross Shelters in Malone, in Franklin County. In the early stages of operation Albany-area hams found themselves faced with two problems: first trying to deal with the North Country ice storm, then assisting with localized flooding in several counties.

The ice storms caused massive power and telephone outages in New York's northern counties up to the Canadian border and west as far as Watertown, and east to Burlington, Vermont. In New York alone, as many as 85,000 were reported still without power. Major problems continue

throughout the Northeast, including Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine, where President Clinton declared all but one of that state's 16 counties as disaster areas. "It is the worst ice storm anyone has ever seen," said Dave Olean, K1WHS, in an Internet posting. Olean, who lives in Maine's southernmost county--York--said he'd lost several antennas due to icing and also lost power for a time. He said the situation was much worse to the north. Widespread power outages also were reported north of the border in Quebec.

As of late this week, amateurs in New York's Capital District were still maintaining links with hams in New York's northern tier. Hams also continue to staff the station at the Red Cross in Albany, and other hams were working locally with disaster assessment teams.

It was reported that "The ham radio operators in the local area have been extremely helpful with providing local information about public service and ham radio resources, " but many ham radio repeaters in the areas of concern are not working because of no power or storm damage.

-- excerpt from ARRL Letter, Vol 17, number 3, dated 16th January, 1998

DX REPORT

SWAZILAND, 3DA. Jon, 3DA0CA, is active on 1827 Khz from 0300 to 0330z most days. QSL via W4DR.

VIETNAM, 3W. JA1IED is QRV as 3W6JQ until January 20. QSL to home call.

MALDIVES, 8Q. Members of the Central Arizona DX Association will be QRV beginning January 18 as 8Q7AA. They expect to be here until January 28. Activity on 160 to 10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY, is planned. QSL via N7TX.

KUWAIT, 9K. Bob, N6BFM, expects to be active as 9K2ZZ for about 1 year. He is presently active on 40 meters. QSL via W8CNL.

CHINA, BY. Merv, K9FD, and Price, W0RI, are QRV from BY1QH mainly on the low bands for approximately 10 days. Look for some 160 meter activity around 1823 and 1830 to 1835 Khz. QSL via operator's instructions.

CROZET ISLAND, FT/W. Jean Paul, F5BU, is expected to arrive on Crozet Island, IOTA AF-008, on January 21. He will be active using mostly SSB as FT5WG until March 18. QSL via F6APU.

JORDAN, JY. George, JY9QJ, has been QRV on 160 meters just before 2000z. QSL via DL5MBY.

GUATEMALA, TG. A group of Finnish amateurs hope to activate TG0OH from January 18 to February 5. Activity on 160 to 10 meters, including the

newer bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, is planned. QSL CW and SSB contacts via OH3JF. QSL RTTY contacts via OH6XY.

BURKINA FASO, XT. Mike, F5RLE, will be active as XT2DM on all bands using mostly CW from January 22 to March 9. QSL to home call.

CAMBODIA, XU. XU2FB is now QRV as XUF2B. QSL via N4JR.

CHATHAM ISLANDS, ZL7. Ed, K8VIR, is QRV as K8VIR/ZL7 until April. He will be active on the usual frequencies. QSL to home call.

--ARRL DX Bulletin 02, dated 16th January, 1998

IPS WEEKLY SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL REPORT

(09 JANUARY - 15 JANUARY)

ISSUED ON 16 JANUARY 1998

SUMMARY
Date 09 10 11 12 13 14 15
10cm 82 81 85 96 90 94 98
A 9 7 7 5 5 3 (4 expected)
T 34 14 24 39 27 59 39

Solar was very low until 15th when moderate, with an M1 flare.

Geomagnetic activity observed at Learmonth, WA, was mostly quiet to unsettled 9th and 10th January, and 12th and 13th; mostly quiet on 11th; and quiet on 14th to 15th. There was an active period 1200UT to 1500UT on 9th.

Frequencies were depresssed to 15 per cent early in the UT day 10th, 11th and 13th January; and depressed to 10 per cent early on 12th; otherwise near predicted monthly values.

FORECAST (16 JANUARY - 22 JANUARY)

Solar: Low to moderate.

Geomagnetic: 16 Jan: Unsettled to active; 17-22 Jan: Quiet to unsettled

Frequencies: 16-17 Jan: Near predicted monthly values to 10-20% depressed. 18-22 Jan: Mostly near predicted monthly values.

Courtesy of IPS Radio and Space Services

Summary by Pat VK2JPA ANARTS Broadcast Officer

CLUB NEWS

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR PACKET RADIO ASSOCIATION

Here are the remaining titles for the updated software:

(6) [Sally 1.07] (Win) 24/11/97 by Ted Harrison G8NPF
(7) [TstHWin 1.01] (Win95) 29/11/97 by Mario Travaglino IK1GKJ

(8) [FPAC 2.0r] (DOS) 4/8/97 updated from 2.0q
(9) [F-PROT 2.28] (DOS) 25/7/97 updated from 2.27a
(10) [PGP 5.01 beta 8a] (DOS) 11/10/97 updated from 2.6.3

If more information is required, about the software or the Association in general, write to:

Secretary, Australian Amateur Radio Packet Association
59 Westbrook Avenue, Wahroonga, 076

or phone:
(0) 9489 4393

submitted by John VK2WRT

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR TELEVISION CLUB INC.

The next meeting of the A.A.T.C. Inc. will be held on February 8th 1998 - and will be the fist one for the year.

Topics for the meeting will include discussion on planning for the Wyong Field Day on 22nd February; and there will be a full demonstration and explanation of the repeater voice ID on our channel 2 of 23cm, given by Dave and Bob.

From the Committee -- have a bright and technical 1998.

For more information about ATV, contact Bob the Publicity Officer on (02) 9587 3491 during normal civilised times -- and ring Bob for the Web site URL.

submitted by the A.A.T.C. Inc. Publicity Officer Bob Barnes

HORNSBY & DISTRICT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.

The Club will again present an Open Night, on Tuesday 27th January 1998, at 7.30 pm, for the public to gain an insight into the hobby of Amateur Radio, also known as Ham Radio.

Many aspects of this fascinating hobby will be on display, with live demonstrations of Amateur Television, Morse Code, HF and VHF voic communications, and Packet Radio, where computers send and receive data via radio waves.

Questions about the hobby are most welcome.

The Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association, WICEN, the Wahroonga Amateur Historical Radio Association will be represented with displays, and questions are welcomed.

Where! Mount Colah Community Centre, Pierre Close, Mount Colah (near the eastern entrance to the railway station). All are welcome, admission is free, and tea, coffee and biscuits will be available later in the evening.

So come along -- you are welcome.

For further information regarding the Open Night, or the Club in general, write to HADARC., P.O. Box 362., Hornsby 2077., or phone John VK2WRT on 9807 490.

--and that was submitted by John Turner VK2WRT

FISHER'S GHOST AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Classes are held in Basic Electronic Theory and morse Code every Wednesday Evening from 7:00 pm at the Campbelltown High School, Chamberlain St. Campbelltown.

Also, on every third tuesday of the Month from 7:30 pm, at the Campbelltown High School, is the general Meeting night with lectures on popular subjects. Visitors are always welcome.

The first general meeting of the year is being held next Tuesday 20th January. The AGM will be held on 17th of February.

Classes will resume on the 4th of February 1998.

-- Publicity Officer, Chris VK2ZCJ

COMING EVENTS

ANARTS broadcasts resume.....18th
WIA Federal Office and WIA Exam Service re-open.....19th
Fishers Ghost ARC meeting.....20th
Manly-Warringah Radio Society lecture night.....21st
VKs may use the "AX" prefix.....24th-25th
Australia Day.....26th
Hornsby & District ARC Open Night.....27th

FEBRUARY

Divisional Trash & Treasure (held over from January).....1st
Hunter Branch Radio Group braodcasts resume.....2nd
Fishers Ghost ARC classes resume.....4th
Exam applications close.....5th
Dural Committee meeting.....8th
Gladesville ARC meeting.....9th
CW Operators' QRP Club 10m band Scramble.....15th
Summerland ARC AGM.....15th
WIA examinations at Parramatta.....15th

MARCH

VK2 Council nominations and Motions on Notice close.....7th

BROADCAST ROSTER

Next Sunday, 25th January, 1998

Morning:
Announcer: Ellis VK2ESS
Engineer: Richard VK2SKY

Evening:
Announcer: Peter VKEMU
Engineer: Pat VKJPA

and tonight

Announcer: Alan VK2XAT
Engineer: Bernard VK2IDS

If you would like to submit a news item for inclusion in the VK2 Divisional broadcast, please send it to us by one of the following means:

by post to PO Box 1066, Parramatta, New South Wales 2124
by fax to (02) 9633-1525
by packet radio to BCAST@VK2WI.NSW.AUS.OC
by Internet email to vk2wi@ozemail.com.au

The deadline for submissions is 2pm on the Friday preceding the broadcast; if sending by packet or Internet, please allow for forwarding delays in the network.

If sending printed copy, please double space your text, leave wide margins, and use a plain font such as Arial or Helvetica for clarity. Please proofread your text, check your grammar and punctuation, avoid using shorthand and abbreviations, and use the exact words you wish the announcer to say on air. Remember, the more care you take in preparing your news item, the better the announcer will read it.

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Dave Horsfall (VK2KFU) | dave@esi.com.au | VK2KFU @ VK2KFU.NSW.AUS.OC | PGP 2.6
Opinions expressed are mine. | D8 15 71 F9 26 C8 63 40 5E 63 5C 65 FC A0 22 99

1941. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980120110901.GAA10939@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181131

In article <34C3895E.49FB1DF2@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> In article <34C24394.5046@psn.net>, Eric Oyen
><n7zzt@psn.net> writes:
>
> >Otherwise, I was able to contact hams on 146.520
>for as far as 350
> >miles either side of the plane. I even have a few QSL
>cards from some of
> >those trips. Now, with the new rules, I cannot do this
>anymore. It would
> >be nice to be able to do so,but I don't have the $$$ if
>I ever get fined.
>
> Just another example of the federal government
>dictating our behavior because,
> as always, they know what's best for us.
>Thank you, Bill Clinton and Al Gore.

Would you care to elaborate on this
>issue Rambo, I hardly think additional safty
measures regarding operation of
>transmitters on board a commercial aircraft is
"dictating your behaviour"

Yes, I most certainly will. Here is a case of the federal governments saying to the airlines "Hey, we know you do air travel for a living, you live and die by your safety record, this is your specialty...but we know better than you and we're going to tell you what to do because we're the government. Janet Reno says so."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1942. Re: $$$IMPORTANT$$$

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c49ca1.1107915@news.total.net>
Source record: 181132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On 20 Jan 98 04:27:10 GMT, patricks@InfoAve.NET (patricks) wrote:

>Here's how to do so with little effort, and, yes IT'S LEGAL.

>$6.00!

> it said that if
> you
> send $1.00 to each of the 6 names and addresses stated in the article,
> you
>could make thousands in a very short period of time. You then place your
>own name and address at the bottom of the list at #6, and post the
>article
>to at least 200 newsgroups. (There are about 22,000.) or e-mail them to
>friends, or e-mailing lists...

>Even though the investment was a measly $6, I had three questions that
>needed to be answered before I could get involved in this sort of thing.

instead of sending $6, why not spam (by placing your name) immediately
??

>It's certainly worth $6.00 and 6 stamps!

no, instead of spending $6 first place, why not spam by placing your
name right now ??

>============
>HOW IT WORKS
>============
>
>
>STEP 1:
>------
>Get 6 separate pieces of paper and write the following on each piece of
>paper:

> PLEASE ADD ME TO YOUR MAILING LIST.
> $1 US DOLLAR PROCESSING FEE IS ENCLOSED.

What's processing fee ??

>(THIS IS KEY AS THIS IS WHAT MAKES IT LEGAL SINCE YOU ARE PAYING FOR AND
>LATER OFFERING A SERVICE).

??

>#1 - G. Rice
> P.O. Box 572
> Humboldt, AZ 86329
>#2 - Michelle Owensby
> 3019 Elliot Street
> Baltimore, MD 21224
>#3 - Ralph Kabota
> 625 Whitney Ranch Dr. #1613
> Henderson, NV 89014
>#4 - Ron "Magneto" Foster
> 10010 Menlo Avenue
> Silver Spring, MD 20910
>#5 -JM McFall
> 451 Wellington Dr
> San Carlos, Ca. 94070
>#6 - Patrick Stevens
> 4802 forest DR.
> Loris, SC 29569

I hope they aren't friends of mine.

>ANOTHER EXCELLENT PROGRAM: "AutoPoster" http://www.spck.se/bulk/

"address is not found. try again"

>A high speed Newsgroup Auto Poster/Newsreader for Windows 95
>Autopost articles to more than 27,000 newsgroups
>Super fast - up to 12,000 posting per hour on a single PC
>Easy to run

>You
>just have to be honest.

if you are honest, you don't spam into millions of newsgroups.

>It is legal. What will you do with your list of thousands of names?

what are you going to write down for income report ??

>*4. You will start getting responses within 1-2 weeks, it depends.

responses for what ? cancel notice ? warning ?

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

1943. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C4A619.5D7B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181133

Curtis M LaFon wrote:
AC6V wrote:
> > What if Custer had 2 meter HT's????
> ----------
>
> That was exactly the problem .. Custer was a no coder and the
> HH did not have the range to get back to the Fort. Now just
> imagine how different History would be if Custer knew code so
> he could get on HF and have gotten help ..

Very Good but, another speculation -- records show ol George left the swords, gatling guns and HT's back at the fort!! Besides 1876 was a low in the sunspot cycle!!!

All in good fun
Rod
--
AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

1944. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-20 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C4A939.1554@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181134

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
>
> Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote in article
> <34C4113A.29B3@wf.quik.com>...
> > Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> > >
> > > I don't know about there being "no definitive answer". If I remember
> > > my Amateur Radio History correctly, the word "Ham" is an acronym. The
> > > letters are H.A.M. which stands for Hiram A. Maxim who was one of the
> > > early radio amateurs.
> > ----------
> >
> > Poor old Hiram ..... Percy ..... Maxim.
> >
> > Do you know what else PERCY was noted for
> > besides Ham Radio .. ?
> >
> > Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
> >
>
> I believe it had something to do with inventing a machine gun
> of some sort ....
>
> --
> Carl - wa6vse
>

Hi Carl & Curtis
I think that was Hiram Stevens Maxim - inventor of the machine gun -- so
sez my Funk & Wagnall's
But don't quote me.
--
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1945. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: paulc@fc.hp.com
Message-ID: <6a5euv$fe2@fcnews.fc.hp.com>
Source record: 180935
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Jiann-Ming Su (js290@prism.gatech.edu) wrote:
: I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local
: communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250
: mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance
: characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these
: ranges...

In mountainous areas, propagation effects can obviously be complex.
It's been my experience also that between 2M and 70cm, the 2M
frequencies tend to work better in the mountains. I've always assumed
that it's because of groundwave, diffraction, and reflection effects.
How's that for a nebulous statement?

I've got numerous examples where 2M is superior. However, I've
also got some examples where 70cm appears to work better, even in the
mountains (in Colorado). I believe that the latter can be mostly
attributed to the antenna aperture effect, as Gary described. The
more circuitous route the wave has to take, the worse 440 is. Conversely,
440 seems to work better (taking everything into account) than 2M when
a mostly line-of-sight path exists. The 440 band also seems quiter (in
terms of natural interference/noise) than 2M.

Although I haven't used 6M, extrapolation from 2M would indicate
that it would work even better in some circumstances, ignoring
"skip" of course.

One interesting observation I've heard about but never verified for
myself is that 1/4 wave vertical antennas can work better in the
mountains than higher gain verticals. Since a 1/4 wave has a higher
angle of radiation, more of the energy goes where you want it to go,
up to the mountain ridges and such to be diffracted. I'd like to
try this for myself...I'm sure the effects vary.

It seems like, lacking repeaters, the HF solution might work the best
with the appropriate pattern (NVI or something). I have very little
knowledge and no experience with this...

-Paul C. KG0CZ

1946. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: W2CE <W2CE@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <34C641E9.378D@prodigy.net>
Source record: 180936

> Why should it cost any more than a regular call? A renewal is a
> renewal. I thought the $50.00 fee was to cover the costs incurred from
> additional work brought on by the vanity program.
>
> Are they treating vanity callsign renewals like like the state of
> Florida treats vanity license plates? Each time you renew you have to
> pay an additional fee.
>
> 73..de John/K4WJ

Original reports were that the Vanity licenses would have a similar renewal fee at the 10 year point. Subsequent rumors relate that the Vanity license renewals will be treated as a normal renewal which within 10 years will have a fee attached. The question is what the actual fee will be when the FCC enacts renewal fees.

73, Bob, W2CE

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Robert Reed, W2CE W2CE@prodigy.net
1991 Route 37 West - Lot 109 W2CE@aol.com
Toms River, New Jersey 08757

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1947. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C64294.209D@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180937
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:
> Come to think of it, why didn't you try the extra test too? Fear the
> code?

As I told Larry, I consider the extra class license a ripoff. I got 327% more HF phone frequencies by upgrading from general to advanced than you got by upgrading from advanced to extra. The extra 100kHz of CW frequencies would be worthless to me. For me, the benefits of the extra class license are simply not worth the effort. The advanced class license is far and away the best bargain in amateur radio.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1948. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6a5h6rolv1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180938
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

In article <34c92629.6305477@news>, orion@xyznycap.rr.com says...

>> It just keeps getting worse! This nut doesn't even know that he could
>>cause the airliner he is riding in to crash because he fouled up the
>>glide slope indicator, low approach warning or some other avionics with
>>a ham radio HT!!!
>
>In case you didn't know, masacutieboy does this alot. He posts some
>outrageous question or statement and then sits back and watches,
>hoping for a flame war. Best to ignor him.
>
>--
>Larry Gamache N2YMJ
>
>To reply, remove the
>xyz from my address.

Ignore him, you say? The way you just did?

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****

1949. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark <jdr@jdrs.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ZOWYKqADUix0EwD8@jdrs.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180939

In article <e5rNrgiJ9GA.309@upnetnews03>, Darrel Waller <career_darrel@
email.msn.com> writes
>
>Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C57127.1D49@earthlink.net>...
>>
>>I do not know how to protect a radio from the emp of a nuclear blast!
>>But I am sure that there must be some information available on the net,
>>somewhere. Truth is, as maybee the lame responder did not know, it is a
>>topic a much discussion for people who build gear for the military. So
>>if the military can ask, why can't you.
>>
>I *do* know how to protect a radio from Nulcear EMP, the only problem is
>no-one except for the military/gov can afford it. I very much doubt that
>you can do anything with any off-the-shelf electronics other than bury it.
>I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel plate
>it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it, hope
>you never have a reason to dig it up.
>
>FYI: I worked on the systems(s) used to EMP test military avionics in situ,
>project was named 'Trestle'; good luck finding out anything else about it
>;-).
>
>
Nuclear Blast ?!?!?!?!?!?!?!?
Why would he wanna do that than?
does Darrel know something we dont know - :))

I think we should be told !!

just for the record though, the UK government said that to protect radios
we should wrap them in towels and wrap them in Silver foil !!!
no joke-
i guess only valve sets with point to pint wiring will be useful,
for the poor souls that live.

maybe, some of those'll not work either.
- cant see many transmitters still standing / operating after a
200 megaton airburst either, not that there'll be an electric supply...
maybe they'll use ELF of some other obscure medium -

there was a TV program about just how one 'well-placed' blast would
bring most westernised countries to their knees.

hope there wont be a bomb -
i want to get my PC up to date first !!!
<BG>

Mark

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Mark

1950. Schematics for a Ranger 2950EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jeff Burt <jpb@wpol.com>
Message-ID: <34C6496D.B81D92DB@wpol.com>
Source record: 180940

I HAVE A MIRAGE 2950EX AND WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF ANYBODY WOULD KNOW A MOD. FOR MODULATION OTHER THAN PULLING R192 AND OR Q32 FROM THE CIRCUIT BOARD AND ALSO WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ON MAXIMUM FORWARD SWING I KNOW WHAT CANS TO TURN BUT AM HAVING TROUBLE MAKING OUT I.D. MARKINGS BECAUSE CANS SIT RIGHT ON TOP OF THEM L46 ETC. ANY IDEAS WOULD BE APPREACIATED .

Chuck

1951. FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: alan21158@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121201701.PAA23184@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180941

Greetings- I was going to look in the rec.radio.amateur FAQs, but thought I'd ask for anybody's personal experience on this.

I was wondering how long it took from the time I passed my tech exam, to the time my name and new call sign would be posted in the FCC database. I took the test this past Sunday 1/18 in Yonkers, New York. Monday was a holiday, so I suspect the FCC offices were closed.

In addition, are there any recommendations on a dual band HT for a first-timer?

Thanks for any info!
Alan Kaufman

1952. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Miles <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Message-ID: <34C647C4.6633@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Source record: 180942
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Gary Coffman wrote:
>
> On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 09:13:39 +0100, Piotr Tomczak <pito@nera.no> wrote:
>
> >I agree that the guy using the celular phone was crazy, or stupid, or
> >both.
> >There is very known fact that the mobile/digital phones casue most harm
> >due
> >to the non linear mode their PA is operating in. This make a very
> >wide spectural radio noise which casue some other
> >electronic equipment to behave wierd...
> >
> >It is not so bad with the VHF radios but I never use them
> >on the areoplane. Some times you can ask the personel
> >and one can get permision to use the build in areo planes radio,
> >it can operate within our frequencies. It goes far this way
> >and without 'harming' other electronic.
> >gl.
> >Piotr LA9HFA
>
> Any cellular phone sold in the US has to meet the same spectral
> purity requirements as VHF or UHF conventional transceivers.
> They are *not* dirtier than a HT. The reason the FCC bans their
> use in an aircraft is that they would be heard in too many cells,
> causing massive interference to the cellular system on the
> ground. The ban has nothing to do with interfering with aircraft
> systems.
>
> Cellular systems practice spectral reuse, IE the same frequency
> is used over and over by physically separated cells. This works
> well when the cellphone is on the ground because only the cell that
> it is in, and the immediately adjacent cells, can hear it. Frequencies
> are assigned to cells in a pattern which takes this into consideration.
>
> But if you take a cellphone up in an aircraft, it becomes line of sight to
> hundreds of cells. Many of those cells will be using the frequency of
> the phone to talk to other phones. So all but one of the cells will suffer
> interference (only one cell can be talking to a given phone at a time).
> *That's* why the FCC bans cellphone use in aircraft.
>
> As far as causing interference to aircraft radios and other avionics,
> the ordinary North American analog cellphone isn't a big concern
> because its operating power is low and the frequencies it uses are

> far removed from aircraft frequencies. (PCS systems, however,
> operate near precision approach frequencies and could constitute
> a real hazard.) Some digital systems are also of concern because
> their amplitude variations can affect aircraft AM radios far removed
> in frequency from them.
>
> A VHF HT is much more of a concern because it operates near
> frequencies used by aircraft for communications and navigation,
> and it generally operates with 10 db more power than the handheld
> cellphone. That's why the FAA restricts their use sharply. But the
> FCC doesn't care, it doesn't ban aeronautical mobile use of
> conventional transceivers because the HT is less likely to wreak
> havoc with communications over a wide area than the cellphone is.
> Though if you come up on a popular repeater frequency, you can
> key up dozens of repeaters at the same time, and that *is* a nuisance
> to the users of those repeaters. But it isn't in the same league as
> hitting several hundred cells at the same time.
>
> Even worse than a HT, however, can be some other electric/electronic
> devices. For example, an electric razor can wreak havoc with aircraft
> communications and navigation systems. Laptop computers are another
> source of interference to radio equipment operating at aircraft frequencies.
> And a FM broadcast receiver, even if it meets Part 15, often has enough
> LO radiation to affect aircraft navigation systems. So these are restricted
> or banned during portions of the flight profile by the FAA.
>
> The consequences of interfering with aircraft avionics can be severe,
> up to and including loss of the aircraft if the interference occurs at the
> wrong moment. There are two basic concerns. One is interference
> with air to ground and air to air communications. This could result in
> the pilot failing to receive critical instructions from air traffic control
> or from other aircraft. A mid-air collision could result. The other is
> interference with radio navigation equipment. Enroute this could
> result in the aircraft going off course. This might only be a nuisance,
> or as with KAL007, a source of tragedy, if not discovered in time.
> During precision approaches, interference can quickly be fatal
> because there is little time to recover from misinformation generated
> by interference. That's why all personal electronic devices are banned
> during the critical takeoff and landing phases of the flight.
>
> In some newer aircraft, there is a third concern. Newer aircraft are
> adopting fly by wire control systems. If these are confused by interference,
> control authority is totally lost, IE the aircraft can wing over and dive into
> the ground without the pilot being able to do anything about it. Operating
> unauthorized electronics of any sort on an aircraft is not just stupid, it is
> criminally stupid.
>
> Gary
> Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
> 534 Shannon Way | We break it |

> Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

The above is one point of view. Another point of view is that I've never seen a scientifically-controlled test that has EVER conclusively demonstrated, documented, and explained harmful interference to a safety-critical piece of avionics equipment or navaid by an FCC-certified consumer device (meaning, other than devices whose main purpose is to transmit RF energy) operated in the passenger cabin.

Mostly what I've seen is a lot of paranoia and hype from uninformed people, even including (gasp!) licensed commercial pilots. Do you have any specific references in which this type of problem has been thoroughly investigated by someone who understands that correlation does not imply causality? I want to hear frequencies, field strengths, modes of modulation, antenna proximities, receiver intercept points... not "well, golly, I turned on my laptop and the artificial horizon did a flip-flop!"

Still another point of view is that if such an instance of interference to a safety-critical system has, in fact, occurred, then there is an issue of criminal negligence on the part of the FAA for permitting such poorly-designed avionics equipment and archaic modulation modes to be used on board passenger aircraft in the first place.

Another way of expressing the latter point of view: if some kid with a Game Boy in aisle 25 can bring down the plane by booting up Mario at the wrong moment, I think I'll take Amtrak, thank you very much.

Beyond that, are you somehow privy to aspects of the KAL007 incident of which the rest of the world is unaware? I'd be interested in hearing more about the "source of tragedy" you mention.

Really, Gary, this kind of groundless, anecdotal paranoia is beneath the usual high quality standard of your posts.

-- jm

Note: My E-mail address has been altered to avoid spam

1953. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lab Assistant"
Message-ID: <34C66A6A.8F1@gatech1.edu1>
Source record: 180943
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Paul Christofanelli wrote:
>
> Jiann-Ming Su (js290@prism.gatech.edu) wrote:
> : I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local
> : communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250
> : mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance
> : characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these
> : ranges...
>
> In mountainous areas, propagation effects can obviously be complex.
> It's been my experience also that between 2M and 70cm, the 2M
> frequencies tend to work better in the mountains. I've always assumed
> that it's because of groundwave, diffraction, and reflection effects.
> How's that for a nebulous statement?
> One interesting observation I've heard about but never verified for
> myself is that 1/4 wave vertical antennas can work better in the
> mountains than higher gain verticals. Since a 1/4 wave has a higher
> angle of radiation, more of the energy goes where you want it to go,
> up to the mountain ridges and such to be diffracted. I'd like to
> try this for myself...I'm sure the effects vary.

I have heard that omnidirectional antennas work better than directionals
like yagis, but I haven't thought about the angle of radiation...
Given a centerfed dipole and an endfed 1/4 or 5/8 wave antenna, which
one
has a lower angle of radiation and what effects this angle, especially
when you start stacking the antennas? ie which would be better, a ringo
ranger or stacked dipoles?

I have an antenna design that I have built but not been able to test,
that I invite comment upon. It is comprised of 6 halfwave folded
dipoles. (300 ohm for the folded dipole and 300/6 = 50 feed impedance)
4 dipoles are stacked verticaly, but the top and the bottom sections
have an extra horizontal element phased with a 1/4 wave phasing line
(like a turnstile antenna) The idea was to create a high gain antenna
that also had some gain with horizontal polarization to reduce flutter
and improve performance in areas where there is lots of bounce and
polarization changes. I am missing some theory to complete my idea, but
my initial try gave me an SWR of between 1.5 and 2.5 across the 2m band
but it was wavy (ie the graph went up and down several times across the
band).
What would I need to do to maximize my antenna aperature? (move the
elements farther apart?) How important is an impedance match with the
power dividers and phasing lines?

I haven't spent the time to learn an antenna modelling progam to try and
model this one, I am only going on general principles gleaned from the
antenna handbook, etc.
Comments?

>
> It seems like, lacking repeaters, the HF solution might work the best
> with the appropriate pattern (NVI or something). I have very little
> knowledge and no experience with this...
>
> -Paul C. KG0CZ

KS4TY

1954. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bruce.Bennett@no.spam.tek.com
Message-ID: <Bruce.Bennett.350.016DD756@no.spam.tek.com>
Source record: 180944
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

In article <0mITgVA826w0EwMI@jdrs.demon.co.uk> Mark writes:
>From: Mark
>Subject: Re: Splatter
>Date: Mon, 19 Jan 1998 19:47:08 +0000

>In article <34bc4441.7584683@newshost.capecod.net>, Gareth Crispell
> writes
>>Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>>everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>>station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>>spread?
>>I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>>however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>>this is no longer considered true.

snip.............

>Sorry if i seem to have got up on my soapbox, but it does seem that theres 2
> types of Hams ..... ones who care about Ham Radio, - for what it is,...
> and others who dont think about Ham Radio ... but i may be wrong :))
>
> 73's and Have Fun

> De Mark G0YNM
> jdr@jdrs.demon.co.uk
>

>Mark

To carry your conclusions one step further, It would seem that those
that are "showing off" etc, are not using amateur radio as a hobby, but
more as a means to an end, or a vehicle to obtain another hidden agenda.
Or a cheap stress reduction method! "I'll kick him instead of the dog!"

73's,
Bruce

Remove (no.spam.) from my return address.

<<>>

1955. 3-500

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Geoff <equinox@nospam.itl.net>
Message-ID: <34C6C7D2.4D866285@nospam.itl.net>
Source record: 180945

Anybody know where there is a nice picture of this tube please

1956. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <%9ux.363$Kd.314732@news1.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote in message <34C64294.209D@sedona.intel.com>...
>Richard Carroll wrote:
>> Come to think of it, why didn't you try the extra test too? Fear the
>> code?
>
>As I told Larry, I consider the extra class license a ripoff. I got
>327% more HF phone frequencies by upgrading from general to advanced
>than you got by upgrading from advanced to extra. The extra 100kHz of
>CW frequencies would be worthless to me. For me, the benefits of the
>extra class license are simply not worth the effort. The advanced
>class license is far and away the best bargain in amateur radio.
>--
>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

Cecil:
I ran across an interesting piece of Morse code history you may be
interested in while doing a little reading on the subject.

1976 1-year wating period before taking Amateur Extra class test eliminated.
Amateurs are no longer required to certify that they had operated Morse for
a certain number of hours at or above his liscense class speed in the 12
months prior to renewal. Consensus in ranks is that most were lying about it
when they renewed.

Could it be Cecil that the decline in CW use was being discussed and lied
about long before the NO code liscense group even existed. Naw! that would
mean we couldn't blame the poor No codes for starting this argument if that
was true.

Second piece of interesting Morse History
1936 The ARRL requested 13 WPM instead of 10WPM. The book 200 meters and
down states"this was to effectively create a maximum of 16,000 hams,so as to
minimize band congestion." This was granted and the 13 WPM test remained the
lowest test speed until the novice and Techician liscenses were created in
1951.

can anyone say development and implementation of a code Filter by the ARRL
as a matter of policy.

Just thought you would be interested since I"ve heard you and Larry discuss
retesting Amateurs with HF privileges. If nothing else it is interesting why
they dropped the certification at renewal.

KF4HMN

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1957. Aerial filters. WACOM???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <7KUxdHAPUnx0EwXt@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180947

Hi can anyone help me with a phone number or email address for the above company? I seem to remember that they are in Waco Texas. No ammount of searching the web comes up with any reference to them so is it my spelling or have they gone away?
--
Bill G8IAY

1958. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: pokf4jrg@cheta.net
Message-ID: <34c67942.1695342@news>
Source record: 180948

On 21 Jan 1998 20:17:25 GMT, alan21158@aol.com (Alan21158) wrote:

>Greetings- I was going to look in the rec.radio.amateur FAQs, but thought I'd
>ask for anybody's personal experience on this.
>
>I was wondering how long it took from the time I passed my tech exam, to the
>time my name and new call sign would be posted in the FCC database. I took the
>test this past Sunday 1/18 in Yonkers, New York. Monday was a holiday, so I
>suspect the FCC offices were closed.
>
>In addition, are there any recommendations on a dual band HT for a first-timer?
>
>Thanks for any info!
>Alan Kaufman

Alan, go to http://www.qrz.com/cgi-bin/webcall? and you can find your
call sign when it is posted.

Burton kf4jrg

1959. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C67C9B.682@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180949
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Post your opinion of the 3950 Liberty Nits at
http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

M Johnson wrote:
> The lib net and associated bozos seem to gather around 3950..... If you were
> there I doubt you could have spent 45 minutes listening to the garbage from
> both sides. Hey maybe there should be an award given to those who can stand
> to listen longer than five minutes.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

1960. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C69401.7576@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180950
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

D. Townsend wrote:
> Could it be Cecil that the decline in CW use was being discussed and lied
> about long before the NO code liscense group even existed. Naw! that would
> mean we couldn't blame the poor No codes for starting this argument if that
> was true.

The FCC was really naive about human nature back in the 50s. Hams had to swear that they had operated something like one hour in the past month or three hours in the past six months and could still operate CW at their licensed level. (Don't take me literally cuz I don't remember the exact times). But a ham couldn't renew unless he/she signed his/her name to those guaranteed conditions. Many, many hams who didn't even own rigs and had forgotten Morse code simply signed and renewed.
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

1961. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com>
Message-ID: <6a6386$6jb$1@usenet50.supernews.com>
Source record: 180951
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

That's fine David, and many people enjoy not using Morse Code at all. The point is that Morse Code is trivially simple for some folks who can learn to send and receive 60 WPM within a week of seeing the code for the first time. These people want and need a challenge that the Extra Class license with its 20 WPM Morse Code exam does not afford them.

My code, called Dave Code (you will be happy to know) will allow those who can pass the Extra Class Theory exam to get what I call the Extra Special License. Is it fair to limit anyone just because most people don't choose to excel?

David Gough wrote in message <01bd2468$907928a0$2e3863c3@default>...
>But many people enjoy using Morse the way it is
>There are other modes for those who want to send pictures etc., and anyway
>longer units (7-8 chars) would make it even harder to learn.
>
>
>Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com> wrote in article
><69lc4r$qr3$1@usenet48.supernews.com>...
>> I think you are missing the real point. Morse code is a flawed code. No
>> upper and lower case, no curly braces, etc., etc. Way too primitive for
>> the 21st century.
>>
>> Two suggestions. I think what we should be doing is learning to send
>ASCII
>> or extended ASCII using dits and dahs. All characters would then be 7 or
>8
>> units long. This would allow us to uuencode pictures of our families and
>> not just do the boring: TNX FER CALL OM = UR RST 599 and so on.
>>
>> My second idea is to sample all CW QSO's for one month and come up with
>> extended numeric macros. Just as 73 = best regards, #672 would be: NAME
>HR
>> IS DAVE DAVE and #362 would be WELL XYL IS CALLING FOR DINNER SO 73 AND
>CUL.
>> Wouldn't need a PC or UNIX box even. Just a Palm Pilot.
>>
>> Of course, then we get a lot of folks wanting a No Pilot class of
>> license....
>>
>> 73, W0RNL, Dave, in Sunnyvale (or # 735892)
>>
>>
>> User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys wrote in message

>> <68u5pb$q7c$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>...
>> >George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:
>> >
>> >> >
>> >> > >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have
>been
>> >> reading about using the internet
>> >> > >for telephony via your computer.
>> >> >
>> >> > what's the purpose of this ??
>> >> >
>> >> > efficiency ?????
>> >> >
>> >
>>
>> >Morse Code on the Internet..... yup.... the dawn of a new era.....
>> >
>> >73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP
>> >
>>
>>
>>

1962. Re: Aerial filters. WACOM???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim <tpn6draNOSPAM@mitec.net>
Message-ID: <34C69B95.9128DBAA@mitec.net>
Source record: 180952

Bill wrote:

> Hi can anyone help me with a phone number or email address for
> the above
> company? I seem to remember that they are in Waco Texas. No
> ammount of
> searching the web comes up with any reference to them so is it
> my
> spelling or have they gone away?
> --
> Bill G8IAY

Try 817-848-4435

or PO Box 21145
Waco, TX. 76702

1963. HTX-202 Handi

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stephen Eagle <LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6a6cou$gdn@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180953

Looking for junker HTX-202 Radio Shack handi-talkies. Need hardware
to repair one for blind Ham. Finals can be blown, exterior condition
not important, accessories not important. Parts I need are on the
mainboard and are hardware primarily. Your help greatly appreciated. I
will be glad to pay shipping.
replies via: LKBlackburn@worldnet.att.net

1964. Re: [NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34C6CD5B.F31@geocities.com>
Source record: 180954
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> Subject: Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA
> Date: 20 Jan 1998 23:06:37 -0500
> From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan)
> Organization: The Ace Tomato Company
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>
>
> In article <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>,
> James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:
>

Large snip,

>
> Maybe, but only renewal statistics will tell for sure.
>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

I find a certain irony in seeing someone whose Tag lines seem to oppose
The Federal Governmet imposing and maintaining, restrictions on Guns,
supporting that Same Government, imposing and maintaining restrictions
on the Public Air Waves, based on an outdated mode of transmission, that
noby seems to agree on just it IS good for today

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ
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1965. Re: Restoreation of gel cells

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Matt K." <mattkass@gte.net>
Message-ID: <6a6e82edc1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 180955

John Keith wrote:
>
> Is there any process that can be applied to gell cells to restore their
> ability to be charged and deliver that charge? I have some Gates 2V cells that
> originally showed almost no voltage after stitting on a shelf for a long
> period and while under a voltage charge they will show something around 3.5V
> but then after removing the charging voltage the voltage drops to maybe around
> 0.8V. Are these cells destined for the recycle bin?
>
> --
> John Keith keith@fc.hp.com (remove NOSPAM from return address)

Yep... after they get below 2.0 (minimum) volts per cell after a full
charge, that means the cell is shorted or sulfated. Time to recycle
them...

Matt K.
flightsim@writeme.com

1966. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C6D5B1.E96@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180956
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:
>
> The FCC was really naive about human nature back in the 50s. Hams had to
> swear that they had operated something like one hour in the past month
> or three hours in the past six months and could still operate CW at
> their licensed level. (Don't take me literally cuz I don't remember the
> exact times). But a ham couldn't renew unless he/she signed his/her name
> to those guaranteed conditions. Many, many hams who didn't even own rigs
> and had forgotten Morse code simply signed and renewed.
> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

Used to be that to re-new a license you had to sign that you
had had 12 contacts in the last 12 months. Also required back
in those days was to log your contacts, and retain that log
for a specified amount of time.

There may have been some, who is to say, that lied about it,
but the fact that one could be spot checked seems it would
have precluded large numbers of Hams from lying.

I remember the requirements vividly because my first call
(WA5KCS) was up for renewal in 1979 and I was assuming that
requirement was still in effect. I had been inactave for awhile
so I broke out the old Knight Kight T-150, R-100A and Heathkit
SB-10 .. strung up an emergency type antenna and logged 12 contacts.
Then before renewal time I went to work out of town mainly for
a couple of years and forgot to renew it anyway.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

1967. WTB: Yaesu-757

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Ronald G. Raines" <Raines@iName.com>
Message-ID: <tnbx.65$4%4.243488@news2.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181042

I would like to purchase a FT-757 in good condition. Please reply to
AD4ZM@aol.com.

Thanks,

Ronald
AD4ZM

1968. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c544bf.1641256@news.total.net>
Source record: 181043
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Tue, 20 Jan 1998 23:32:17 GMT, lore@repeater.net (Corey H. Dean)
wrote:

>220 is a combination of 2 and 440. It reaches the spots that 440 wont
>go, but it has much better range than 2 meters.
>
>Have any of you thought about going horizonal and trying sodeband? 2
>meter SSB (horizonal) will definatly go much much further than
>FM/Verticle could ever think of.

some people talked with someone in South Calorina from Montreal,
Quebec on 2m SSB (contest day). it is possible.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1969. Re: Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: donrm@sr.hp.com
Message-ID: <6a3g03$i32@canyon.sr.hp.com>
Source record: 181044

Glenn, AA5PK (aa5pk@qsl.net) wrote:

> for amateur radio call sign tags is $1, and you can have the SAME call sign
> plate on as many vehicles as you own! Makes for some confusion when running
> vehicle registration information (I work in public safety communications).

Well, the way section 5005 of the California Vehicle Code is written:

The applicant shall, by satisfactory proof, show that he or she is
the holder of an unexpired license.

(b) The department shall not issue more than one set of special
plates for any licensed amateur radio station.

(c) In addition to the regular fees for an original registration
or renewal of registration, the following special fees shall be paid:

(1) Twenty dollars ($20) for the initial issuance of the special
plate.

(2) Twelve dollars ($12) for the transfer of the special plate to
another motor vehicle.

Subsection (b) evidently means that I get only one set of call letter
plates per lifetime - my plates were issued in 1963...and they're on a
1991 car which makes Law Enforcement Officers nervous. I don't get plate
updates when they are issued. I'm sure the idiots in Sacramento that
codified (b) meant that you couldn't have the same call letter license
on more than one vehicle.

I've transferred these plates at least a half-dozen times. I guess I
don't get a new set of plates until the old ones are lost, stolen, or
mutilated past recognition.

73 Don K6LTS
donrm@sr.hp.com

1970. Maha. Information

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill N3PZA <billrk@desupernet.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2608$01152a00$1654f6cd@hp-customer>
Source record: 181045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

This is just a note to let all fellow Hams that I had a good experience with Maha. I I ordered a MH-A104 Power linear amplifier from my local Ham Dealer.When it came in it was not as I had expected. In there flyer they stated that you would not have to turn off the amp to run 70cm. Well it turns out that the information was not correct as stated. When I contacted Maha they were more then apologetic about this blunder. They did refund me the difference that it would take to have this unit work as advertised. I would recommend this company to anyone. The amp does work great other than have to turn it off when in 440. All I did was put a kill switch in line and problem solved

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73's N3PZA
Bill Kirkner
billrk@desupernet.net

1971. Re: Need advice on Code Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121041000.XAA04162@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181046

I managed to run supermorse ok under windows 3.1... It involves using a PIF file that runs the program exclusively. Windows 95 runs it great with no fancy environment tweaking at all.

I used Supermorse to get from zip to 20+ WPM in just a few weeks. I can't recommend it enough. It really has a lot of nice features and I still can't say I have outgrew it after all these years. I like it so much I put it up on my website, http://members.aol.com/RCrusoe/ab5vh.index.html.

If I have a problem with the program at all it is that the doc is very sketchy on interfacing to a transciever. I use a very simple transmit interface with one component... a 2N2222A. A receive interface is a bit more involved.

The main purpose of this program, to teach and upgrade morse code skills, it admirably met. After the user is satisfied with his ability, he can take a random sample ARRL VEC style sample code test. Ve teams can use the program to give a code test, either directly from the PC speaker or by taping it.

If you intend to run Supermorse under windows 3.1, read the doc files thoroughly. DOS is easier, and W95 is pretty effortless too.

If you are one of those guys who likes to just install and run without reading anything, be advised that you will probably have to do a speed calibration before you do ANYTHING else with the prgogram, so do read the docs first.

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>Michael D. Thomas wrote:
>>
>> Can anyone suggest the "best" software for someone just
>> starting off learning code?
>
>Can't say it's the best but SuperMorse 4.16 is a pretty good shareware
>program available on the web. To avoid Windows timing conflicts, I
>always boot DOS when using SuperMorse.
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73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1972. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121050201.AAA10311@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181047

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That is one reason to be very wary of the GMDSS. It has not really
worked well under fire, from everything I have been able to find out.
It will be touch and go after Feb 01, 1999, until it makes or breaks.
I am hoping it will not take another Titanic affair to settle the issue.

>>>>>>

GMDSS has already been implemented on a voluntary basis by most companies. My ship no longer carries an R/O.

False alarms are not the only weakness of the system. Relying on any shoreside communications system for rescue coordination on the high seas is pretty dumb. A ship in distress seldom is more than a couple of hours steaming from another vessel, and direct fone comms via 2182 are much more efficient than relaying via INMARSAT through a shoreside RCC.

Not carrying an R/O also results in poor maintainance of critical equipment. Ships that have a maintainance contract with a shoreside company are exempt from carrying a licensed GMDSS Maintainer on board. NOBODY is going to do as good a job with at-sea maintainance and repair as a licensed R/O or Maintainer. We're gonna see poor battery maintainance and other problems, and here's a scary scenario... a lightning strike can easily knock out every comm system and every backup onboard. Without a professional RF technician onboard, where does that leave you?

Often watch receivers are turned off. Computers used for INMARSAT and SITOR are used for playing Wolfenstein 3D and Whac-a-mole. Deck Officers simply aren't motivated in that direction, and taking care of not only emergency but also routine comms on watch is an unreasonable burden to have to shoulder anyway. Chief Mates have to do the overtime tallies on watch. 2nd Mates have to do all their chart and pub corrections on watch. Many ships only have a single AB on watch, and he will often be absent from the bridge for short periods, or be distracted from keeping a proper lookout doing general cleaning etc on the bridge. We are looking at a lot of safety compromises already without putting communications duties on the mates.

By the way, we have already seen at least one marine disaster that would have resulted in far greater loss of life had there not been properly maintained autoalarms on 500 Kc and ccompetent, atentive operators manning their shacks. It was written up 2 years ago in the Weather Log. The RCC wanted to handle all comms, but the master of the stricken vessel used SSB for direct comms with nearby vessels anyway, and that decision along with the R/O's training and experience saved lives that day in the North Atlantic.

It will take a massive maritime disaster to turn this thing around. keeping an R/O on board costs a lot of money in salary and other employee related expenses. The companies get out of this by investing 20K in equipment and paying 4 or 5 K a year for a maintainance contract. Safety is not the issue... money is. There are only 2 U.S. flag cruise ships afloat, and they will always carry 2 R/Os each. We will never see a marine disaster on the Constitution or the Independence excaberated by inadequate communications resources. Nobody cares much about the few commercial cargo vessels under U.S. flag on the high seas, and a disaster resulting in the potential loss of all hands is a calculated risk that has been accepted by the insurance and ship operating companies. The tens of thousands of Flag of Convenience ships aren't going to make an impression on our lawmakers when they go down. GMDSS is here to stay.

73 de AB5VH (Robinson)
USCG 773864 and R33607
dit diddy-dit dit

1973. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <ewfx.111$0F6.399231@news1.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6a3s8dnen1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>,
> James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:
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>Maybe, but only renewal statistics will tell for sure.
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>MD
>--
>-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
>-- with my guns.
>--
>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

MD:
I don;t think you will see any losses that are significantly lower or higher than any other liscense class in the ARS today. Some losses are inevitable but I wouldn't count on the No Code liscense groups loosing huge numbers due to the fact that VHF is used for mostly local communication by many of these operators, and is extremely popular as an alternative to cell phones and other communication devices,even though many have both in their homes and Cars.

KF4HMN

1974. Re: IT'LL BRING TEARS TO THEIR EYES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121052600.AAA04279@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181049

I believe that a great many shipboard RO's who are also hams, will be
carrying their personal ham radio equipment-including CW capability-
along just in case.
>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>

Nope, they wont, cause there won't be any more R/O's except on the two passenger ships under our flag, many of the Military Sealift Command ships, and the few commercial ships whose contract stipulates that R/Os will still be carried. I am Bosun of M/V Tellus. I am also a ham, and also hold both GMDSS tickets, Gen Pnone, 2nd class R/T, Ship Radar Endorsement, and USCG R/O. Yes, I will always have my TS-50S on board which is actually a better rig than our ship's HF gear, (One of our R/Os used his for CW because it was quicker and easier to use split than our old stone-age stuff) but most ships will be relying only on the Master or the Mates for all comms, emergency and routine. The few R/Os still onboard will still have the main and reserve receivers and transmitters for MF and HF comms as well as all the new GMDSS required equipment after 1999. Sadly, many use the ship's gear for hamming, so there will still often be no ham rig onboard for backup in the event of a lightning strike or a massive EMP episode. There really aren't many seamen who are hams and who carry their station with them when they fly out to meet a ship.

GMDSS will soon be the only game in town. Disaster aggravated by inadequate comms is a calculated risk that has been long considered by penny-pinching companies. When it happens, it happens, and tough luck. Companies are saving probably $150,000 a year on average per ship by not carrying an R/O and the risk of losing a loss-of-life lawsuit is just a cost of doing business.

73 DE AB5VH (Robinson)
USCG R/O # R33607
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1975. Re: FreeBand (FB) Radio Includes 12, 11, & 10 meters now.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121053700.AAA05690@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181050

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How
exactly does one go about getting a HF amateur that may be 20 miles or
2000 miles away to stop being disruptive. Most of the junk I hear on HF
exists because a callsign is being used as a faceless "Handle" to allow a
person to say whatever they wish.
>>>>

I don't want to muddy the issue, but have you spent much time on CW? I really don't hear very much rudeness on CW. (There's still a lot of considerate fone and digital ops out there too, far in excess of the horse's behinds.) Do try CW, though, if you want a more riff-raff free environment. The only problem is it is getting a bit harder to find a good ragchew. Still, when you find a good one, you find a really good one.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
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1976. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121061700.BAA10310@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181051

Generally, those motivated enough to run for an elected office are motivated enough to upgrade. It is a lot less work to upgrade than to run for, and perform the duties of, an elected officel.

I am an Extra class, and I upgraded at one session from my original license, Tech plus, KC5DKA. I am a Life Member of the league. Yes, I will be more likely to vote for another Extra Class, because technical competence is a big part of the hobby and I expect my elected officials to know at least as much as I do about RF Design, Operating, Part 97, etc, and to have personal knowledge and experience with operating all modes, resolving RFI problems, dealing with local government officials, etc. The average No-Code Tech, while no less a ham than the saltiest old 1X2'er, really hasn't got this kind of experience.

That is not to say that Novices and Techs (of both varieties) should be ignored. Their needs and wants should be considered also. We are all hams, and all League members, and all deserve the same representation. There is room in the hobby and in the league for hams of all knowledand skill levels. I don't even know where my mic is, but I would still like to see at least a slice of a HF fone band for no-coders. But as for a no-code representing me, let him run. If he wins, I will congragulate him and help him out in any way I can. I might even vote for him, but I'll have to see that he has the experience and savvy to deal with the OTHER bloated beaurocracy... our government, and advise both subordinates and superiors on the many issues the league must address.

To mandate that Novices and Techs be represented by others in their license class while other classes are represented by their peers is unfair to THEM...(the Novs and Techs)... why should they be represented by hams who either won't or can't (I HATE that word... I think ANYBODY can upgrade) upgrade? If it happens. fine. But to mandate it would be a shame, and, I think, divisive.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
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1977. Re: AlinKenYaeCom vs. Ten-Tec stuff

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121062801.BAA20159@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181052

>> You know, Dwight, I think that is WHY the Kenicoyasawhooie radio
>> sets can't do anything like reasonable CW, anymore.
Yeah... you know, I sure would like to see the key jack up front where it belongs. I hate reaching back and plugging a different key into the remote spkr jack on my TS-50S. I guess that's my next mod if I can just find room on that crowded little front panel....

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

1978. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2639$1a6ec3e0$2ea4cacc@dad>
Source record: 181053

I agree that there is confusion. In fact, in the band plans (ARRL Operating Manual and others) the national simplex freq is listed as 146.52 not 146.525. During the last uhf/vhf contest I tried to find out all the simplex frequency and spacing for this area (Oregon/Washington) so I could set up the scan on the radio. I never found a consensus among the hams in the area. Basically I had to guess for contest purposes.

Dave Martindale <davem@cs.ubc.ca> wrote in article
<6a332t$esa@harp.cs.ubc.ca>...
> ham@w3eax.umd.edu (Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I]) writes:
> >To all:
> >What, again, is your excuse for not following voluntary band plans?
>
> Sometimes it's not that easy to find out *what* the band plan is.
>
> For example: I'm a ham in British Columbia, Canada. I can look in the
> ARRL publications, but they list band plans for the USA, not Canada -
> not very useful. I can check the Radio Amateurs of Canada web site,
> and they do have a band plan there. Unfortunately, it actually describes
> the band plan in use in the area of Canada where the RAC headquarters is
> located, with a note that plans may differ regionally. There is no
> information about whether my particular region is different, or what
> the band plan here is if indeed it is different.
>
> The RAC plan specifies a mixture of 15 and 20 kHz spacing (sometimes
> with interleaving of usage that means adjacent simplex frequencies are 30
> kHz apart). In fact, from talking to local hams, it turns out that
> local conventions are different, using 20 kHz channel spacing
> everywhere. But it took a while to find that out.
>
> Dave
>

1979. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121070401.CAA23554@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181054

>i want to buy one TS-50
>do you recomend this !!!???
>

That has been my main rig ever since it came out. It's a nice little radidio for the ham on the go. My whole station fits in my briefcase. I fly out to the east coast and back home 6 times a year so a compact rig is essential. For somebody with a fixed station and a healthy budget, a TS-50S might prove unsatisfactory. There is no Keyer, no VOX, no direct FSK, and my personal gripe, the key jack is in back. There is only room for two filters in that itty bitty box. Forget about adding anything inside other than a CW filter. Computer control is not fully supported as in the bigger KWDs. For the money, though, it's a nice rig, at waaaay under a grand. It was meant to be a mobile rig, and so initially supplies were tight since Kenwood didn't anticipate the popularity if the rig as a base set. It IS a very nice mobile rig. Audio is pretty good for such a teensy little speaker, and an external box makes it shine for SWL.

Another shortcoming I should mention which is standard in compact rigs is there is no direct keypad QSY. You can buy or build the computer interface and buy a keypad from Kenwood, though, and mount it on your operating bench.

The supplied mic has up-down buttons whose increment is set by the menu. there are four assignable function keys that are hand for changing the increment, changing mode, filter, etc, and these buttons can be duplicated in a little dongle with just 6 switches and 4 resistors.

I like the 8 pin mic jack... very handy for interfacing Hamcomm unit or TNC, since received audio is supplied there. (CW keying is not). You can listen to your audio from the onboard speaker and still have audio for data reception. It does FM on 10 meters too. The power output is in 3 steps, factory set at 10, 50, and 100, but it is easy to reduce one or more so you can have 5-W for QRP, 75W for RTTY, etc.

Should you buy one? If you don't have $1600 to spend but still want a new rig, or if you need small size, and you are willing to live with the design compromises endemic with such a tiny rig, go for it. Take a look at the matching power supply and auto tuner also if you are into putting a really slick package together.

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1980. Re: Mode Designators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121072001.CAA24824@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181055

>them with their alphanumeric designator. I would like to find one that shows
>the modes as names (ie. SSB, CW, RTTY, etc) and pairs them up with their
>equivalent designator (ie. J3E, A1A, etc).
>
>

See Part 97, rules of the FCC.

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and part 80

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
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dit diddy-dit dit.........

1981. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: N7RCM@POBOX.COM
Message-ID: <ymhx.513$Dk.96857@news.internetMCI.com>
Source record: 181056

I don't think I've used a repeater here in Las Vegas ten times in the last six months. My friends
and I do great on simplex. We use 6m 52.525, 2m 146.520, 223.500, 446.000 and 1.2gig, all on
simplex anywhere we go in the city. I totaly think this is how it's supposed to be. Some of the
hams I've heard will be right behind their friend's car and they're using a repeater on top of an
8500' mountain to talk to each other. What I've noticed about some of these hams is, they don't
know how to switch over to the output frequency of the repeater they're using when they're close.
If someone needs the machine, they'll break in and you'll here them.
I any case, I have most of my fun on simplex, it works for us.

73 de N7RCM....Las Vegas, Nv (SMARC - Sunrise Mountain Amature Radio Cub)

mark.keefer@privates.org (Mark Keefer) wrote:

>RE: 146.520/52.525Mhz...H
>BY: M JOHNSON <SILVERSQ@IX.NE to ALL on Mon Jan 12 1998 12:44 pm

> > Path: inet-serv.com!chippy.visi.com!news-out.visi.com!ix.netcom.com!news
> > From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> > Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> > References: <34be00bc.5754244@news.mindspring.com> <19980111174101.MAA23421@
> > ladder01.news.aol.com> <34B900D5.809BBC4F@flash.net>
> >
> > Tim Hynde wrote:
> >
> > > The answer was stated very eloquently by someone before, so with credit
> > > given,
> > > I'll repeat it. The reason 146.52 doesn't work well for highway travel is
> > > that
> > > unless the guy is traveling in the same direction as you your QSO time is
> > > limited.
> > > Think about two cars at 60 mph in opposite directions at the point they
> > > pass, they
> > > will be 10 miles apart in 5 minutes, probably into the noise if both are
> > > running
> > > simple antennas. Even worse in the mountains. Tune in 146.52 when you hit
> > > heavy
> > > traffic, you'll find alot of activity then.
> > >
> >

> > Most of the "fun" in using simplex on two meters is seeing just how far you
> > can talk. Its a lot more fun to make contact with someone who is on the
> > other
> > side of town (10-15 miles) than use the all reaching repeater that is sittin
> > on top of a 9000 foot mountain and can get a full quiet signal from anything
> > within 200 miles. It is also good preparation for possible emergencies wher
> > you may need to have an idea of where good radio locations would be for
> > setting up vhf relay or control points.
> >
> > 73s
> > Mark
> > WA0DCA
> >
> >
>I recall having a great QSO with a fellow HAM for about 2hours on the
>Pennsylvania Turn Pike heading west, around the Allegany Mountains he left the
>Turn Pike and I continued West and we were able to maintain communications with
>an area repeater, I believe we lost contact after I went into the first or
>second Tunnel. It really made the trip enjoyable and time pass.

>But getting a simplex QSO to last that long on a trip is not the norm.
>Here is a tip that I have heard some people use. When going on a trip,
>make up a small sign for in the back window with your call and 146.520, and
>have your rig set to monitor that Freq or have it as a Call freq so you can go
>elsewhere, but still have the rig monitoring that as priority freq.

>If any HAMs get behind you with 2 meters, you may get a QSO. :)

>Good luck
>73 Mark, N3JNC
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> * Synchronet * The Star Station II BBS Bucks County, PA 215-396-1178
>
>---
>* Send from The Private's BBS Bloomington, Mn. *
>---

1982. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a41vm$an0@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 181057

Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net> wrote:
>> jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote...

>> No irony at all. They're two very different services. If he had
>> a Marine License, he could transmit on any maritime freq'y between
>> 2 and 28 MHz. That service has nothing at all in common with the
>> ARS.
>>
>> You seem to confuse CB and ham radio - that appears to be a common
>> occurance among folks such yourself.

>REPLY...
>
> I'm not confusing the two services, Jeffrey. My comment clearly
>referred to the fact that the CB band is in the HF region, and that a
>person without any license can use that HF band, but a Technician with a
>Amateur radio license cannot use any Amateur HF frequency. That seems
>somewhat ironic to me.

No irony at all. The two services are completely different. What
you should think of when considering CB is a maximum of 4W output,
channelized operation, type-accepted equipment, and only local
communications permitted (see Part 95). You also fail to realize that
the amateur tech license awards the bearer almost 130 MHz of
spectrum in the V/UHF regions in exchange for very little effort
in regards to material learned. Passing the 5wpm code test *will*
give the licensee HF access - much more valuable spectrum than
11m provides.

Jeff KH2PZ

1983. Re: Just a story..... (This is a long post)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121074201.CAA26459@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181058

>As a radio operator in Viet Nam we sometimes worked under what could be
>referred to as "harsh conditions". Our antennas were frequently brought
>down by incoming mortar or artillery fire. Electricity was a luxury
>provided only by generator or, in the case of the man-portable (?) HF SSB
>unit, by 74 (count 'em!) flashlight batteries. We were always looking for
>ways to improve commo. Hell, we were sometimes satisfied just to maintain
>marginal commo!

(a big ol' snip)

nice story... I would like to see more radio anecdotes in these ngs, Gary.
Only problem is, my off-line reader marks long posts read but doesn't download
them, so I gotta wade through the chaff in the "read" posts to find them and
sometimes this takes a while. A lot of other AOLers might have passed up a
nice post rather than go through the hassle. maybe with this short reply they
will go ahead and look up your original.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

1984. Hamfests

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: KD5BAY <KD5BAY@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <6a4aqj$er0@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 181059
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I Have Started A List Of Hamfest In The Texas & Surrounding Area They Are
Posted On My Home Page Calender Of Events Anyone With Hamfest In The Texas
Or Surrounding Area Info Please Forward To Me So That I Can Add The Event
To My Calender. This Will Soon Be A Place To Check For Upcoming Events.
KD5BAY@earthling.net
http://home.att.net/~gregg.e/index.html

1985. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Piotr Tomczak <pito@nera.no>
Message-ID: <34C5AE33.436EBC23@nera.no>
Source record: 181060
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

I agree that the guy using the celular phone was crazy, or stupid, or
both.
There is very known fact that the mobile/digital phones casue most harm
due
to the non linear mode their PA is operating in. This make a very
wide spectural radio noise which casue some other
electronic equipment to behave wierd...

It is not so bad with the VHF radios but I never use them
on the areoplane. Some times you can ask the personel
and one can get permision to use the build in areo planes radio,
it can operate within our frequencies. It goes far this way
and without 'harming' other electronic.
gl.
Piotr LA9HFA

Richard Carroll wrote:

> Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> N2EY wrote:
> I have had to personally stop fellow passengers on
> > >commercial airliners from using their personal cell phones - even
> after they
> > >were warned by the cabin attendants to turn off all radios. This is
> one kind of
> > >publicity ham radio does NOT need!
>
>
> > the next to smoke detector in the bathroom is radio detector ??
>
> It just keeps getting worse! This nut doesn't even know that he
> could
> cause the airliner he is riding in to crash because he fouled up the
> glide slope indicator, low approach warning or some other avionics
> with
> a ham radio HT!!!
>
> Wonder why he thinks it's against the law. Some "hazing ritual?"
> The "Olde Fartze Pilots Association" keeping the kids in check?
>
> It's plain that in "some places" ham radio licenses come in Cracker
> Jacks boxes. I guess we need that here, too.
>

> What's "useless" is not CW - it's m@s@.

1986. Re: 6 meters and Hawaii

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <6a3ift$k4a$2@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 181061

In article <69dk3l$rdh@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, kb8jlv@worldnet.att.net wrote:
>Anyone listening towards us here in Hawaii? I listen for the Upper 48 a
>good bit and call CQ also. Or is the distance just to great between the
>west coast and Hawaii? Stan/KB8JLV/KH6

Hang in there, when the sunspots start picking up things will get better!
Keep listening, you NEVER know!

73!
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!
Member: AAVSO Solar Division

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

1987. 700 Club - "HERF - Guns" (RF-Guns) BS or What ???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: chipster66@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <34c5b5e6.7771085@news.alt.net>
Source record: 181062

I happened to tune into Pat Robertsons 700 Club tonight about 3/4 of the way through the program, they were discussing "HERF-Guns" (High Energy Radio Frequency) Guns , some of which are supposedly mobile and some that an individual could carry. "Supposedly" these "RF" guns can generate enough "RF" to disable computers, erase or corrupt HD's etc.s (from 50 to 100 ft) and were "supposedly" used during the Gulf War to Cripple some of Saddam's military computer installations. I suspect this is "Junk Science" for the most part as a lot of prior "information" I've seen on the 700 club might as well appear in alt.conspiracy but I was curious if anyone had any insight into this.

Cheers

Chipster

1988. WTB: UHF/VHF Repeater

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121091801.EAA22604@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181063

Hello all,

I'm looking for a repeater system spilt site or commercial system to modify for local amateur use. No preference whether UHF or VHF, 40+ Watts.

Any help would greatly be appreciated.

Thanks and '73

-Jeremy
KF4RTY

1989. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c5e4d2.881591@news.total.net>
Source record: 181064
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Tue, 20 Jan 1998 21:27:01 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> Earlier in the evening, 7 to7:45 pm I let my receiver sit on
> 3850 kHz,
^^^^^^^^^^
>waiting to hear some of the terrible gargbage that has so often been
>noted her. Not being a fan of such stuff and having never before tried
>listening to it there, I didn't recognize any of the players.
>
> Hmmmmm....during the entire 45 minute period all I heard was a bunch
>of ordinary sounding individuals, all of whom evidently were acquainted,
>discussing rigs, and normal ham radio chitchat. NOT ONE FOUL WORD did I
>hear.
> Not a single jammer showed up and not a discouraging word was
>uttered. This, following the superclean 6 hour channel 19 experience of
>a couple days ago.

3950 KHz.

> This must be my week to hear only clear air and clean stuff. Sure hope
>it turns out to be a trend.

you are right...

>Dick W0EX

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
C&#65533;: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

1990. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980121122701.HAA08273@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 181065

In article <19980121061700.BAA10310@ladder01.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>To mandate that Novices and Techs be represented by others in their >license
class while other classes are represented by their peers is unfair to >THEM...(
the Novs and Techs)... why should they be represented by hams who >either won't
or can't (I HATE that word... I think ANYBODY can upgrade) >upgrade? If it
happens. fine. But to mandate it would be a shame, and, I >think, divisive.

No more divisive than the Morse code battle, which has clearly polarized amateurs into competing groups of "us vs them."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

1991. Restoreation of gel cells

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: keith@NOSPAMfc.hp.com
Message-ID: <6a50c7$cdu@fcnews.fc.hp.com>
Source record: 181066

Is there any process that can be applied to gell cells to restore their ability to be charged and deliver that charge? I have some Gates 2V cells that originally showed almost no voltage after stitting on a shelf for a long period and while under a voltage charge they will show something around 3.5V but then after removing the charging voltage the voltage drops to maybe around 0.8V. Are these cells destined for the recycle bin?

--
John Keith keith@fc.hp.com (remove NOSPAM from return address)

1992. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C6066F.7237@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 181067
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:> Am I
> an undesirable member of the ARS because I passed the advanced exam on a
> whim one
> day in San Francisco without any effort or studying and without opening
> a book
> of any kind?

Yeah, Cecil, I'm afraid you didn't do the proper penance and spend
enough time in the sackcloth and ashes, so your license is invalid.
Just think what you could have done if your whim had said "extra".
Come to think of it, why didn't you try the extra test too? Fear the
code?

Dick W0EX

1993. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c5fc23.126917304@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 181068
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 09:13:39 +0100, Piotr Tomczak <pito@nera.no> wrote:

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>both.
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>to the non linear mode their PA is operating in. This make a very
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>It is not so bad with the VHF radios but I never use them
>on the areoplane. Some times you can ask the personel
>and one can get permision to use the build in areo planes radio,
>it can operate within our frequencies. It goes far this way
>and without 'harming' other electronic.
>gl.
>Piotr LA9HFA

Any cellular phone sold in the US has to meet the same spectral
purity requirements as VHF or UHF conventional transceivers.
They are *not* dirtier than a HT. The reason the FCC bans their
use in an aircraft is that they would be heard in too many cells,
causing massive interference to the cellular system on the
ground. The ban has nothing to do with interfering with aircraft
systems.

Cellular systems practice spectral reuse, IE the same frequency
is used over and over by physically separated cells. This works
well when the cellphone is on the ground because only the cell that
it is in, and the immediately adjacent cells, can hear it. Frequencies
are assigned to cells in a pattern which takes this into consideration.

But if you take a cellphone up in an aircraft, it becomes line of sight to
hundreds of cells. Many of those cells will be using the frequency of
the phone to talk to other phones. So all but one of the cells will suffer
interference (only one cell can be talking to a given phone at a time).
That's why the FCC bans cellphone use in aircraft.

As far as causing interference to aircraft radios and other avionics,
the ordinary North American analog cellphone isn't a big concern
because its operating power is low and the frequencies it uses are
far removed from aircraft frequencies. (PCS systems, however,
operate near precision approach frequencies and could constitute
a real hazard.) Some digital systems are also of concern because
their amplitude variations can affect aircraft AM radios far removed

in frequency from them.

A VHF HT is much more of a concern because it operates near
frequencies used by aircraft for communications and navigation,
and it generally operates with 10 db more power than the handheld
cellphone. That's why the FAA restricts their use sharply. But the
FCC doesn't care, it doesn't ban aeronautical mobile use of
conventional transceivers because the HT is less likely to wreak
havoc with communications over a wide area than the cellphone is.
Though if you come up on a popular repeater frequency, you can
key up dozens of repeaters at the same time, and that *is* a nuisance
to the users of those repeaters. But it isn't in the same league as
hitting several hundred cells at the same time.

Even worse than a HT, however, can be some other electric/electronic
devices. For example, an electric razor can wreak havoc with aircraft
communications and navigation systems. Laptop computers are another
source of interference to radio equipment operating at aircraft frequencies.
And a FM broadcast receiver, even if it meets Part 15, often has enough
LO radiation to affect aircraft navigation systems. So these are restricted
or banned during portions of the flight profile by the FAA.

The consequences of interfering with aircraft avionics can be severe,
up to and including loss of the aircraft if the interference occurs at the
wrong moment. There are two basic concerns. One is interference
with air to ground and air to air communications. This could result in
the pilot failing to receive critical instructions from air traffic control
or from other aircraft. A mid-air collision could result. The other is
interference with radio navigation equipment. Enroute this could
result in the aircraft going off course. This might only be a nuisance,
or as with KAL007, a source of tragedy, if not discovered in time.
During precision approaches, interference can quickly be fatal
because there is little time to recover from misinformation generated
by interference. That's why all personal electronic devices are banned
during the critical takeoff and landing phases of the flight.

In some newer aircraft, there is a third concern. Newer aircraft are
adopting fly by wire control systems. If these are confused by interference,
control authority is totally lost, IE the aircraft can wing over and dive into
the ground without the pilot being able to do anything about it. Operating
unauthorized electronics of any sort on an aircraft is not just stupid, it is
criminally stupid.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

1994. Elmer needed for 6 meters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stuart Underwood <stu@harborcom.net>
Message-ID: <34C5F2DD.B990A199@harborcom.net>
Source record: 181069

Greetings,
I have purchased an FT690 a couple of days ago. I am looking
forward working on the "Magic Band." I have a three element beam, and a
Diamond vertical. I am wondering if there is any Northeastern Ohio nets
I can check into, listen too, and or get more information on 6 meters
from. Are there any decent books I can read about the band? Thanks in
advance. 73, Stuart KB8VIY

1995. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lab Assistant"
Message-ID: <34C62B76.60BC@prism1.gatech1.edu1>
Source record: 181070
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Corey H. Dean wrote:
>
> 220 is a combination of 2 and 440. It reaches the spots that 440 wont
> go, but it has much better range than 2 meters.
>
> Have any of you thought about going horizonal and trying sodeband? 2
> meter SSB (horizonal) will definatly go much much further than
> FM/Verticle could ever think of.
>

Ok, but the trouble is staying reasonably mobile through the process.
Has anyone ever tried a magnetic loop antenna that would effectively put
out horizontal polarization but still be "practical" on an auto?
or even some combination of electric and magnetic antennas to improve
reception/transmission and/or operate on a different polarization?

KS4TY

1996. Re: Costa Rica VHF operation.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: cptn@olywa.net
Message-ID: <34c61936.10222645@news.olywa.net>
Source record: 181071

Are you going by land or by yacht? Contact the SSCA (Seven Seas Cruising Association) for info about yachties and cruising/weather Nets. http://www.rngend.com/SCA/home.html They also have a ham callsign book for members.

On 20 Jan 1998 16:13:45 -0500, Ed Soniat <ed@texas.gtri.gatech.edu> wrote:

>Any body know whether its worth taking a 2m/70cm FM rig down there?

1997. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Lab Assistant"
Message-ID: <34C62E1D.75DF@prism1.gatech1.edu1>
Source record: 181072

If you do find any good sources of information or can post a summary on this topic, please do. This seems like a good thing for an amateur system to aim for. Seeing that one reason for amateur radio is for emergency and supplemental communication.
thanks!
KS4TY
reply to: gte900f@prism1.gatech1.edu1 (remove the one's from the address)

1998. Re: Costa Rica VHF operation. (Land based)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Soniat <ed@texas.gtri.gatech.edu>
Message-ID: <ghozpkpeqmo.fsf_-_@texas.gtri.gatech.edu>
Source record: 181073

Thanks for the site.

We will be traveling by car in the North west quadrant of the country.
But since some of our travel will be near the cost and since much of
it will have line of sigth to the pacific Yacths might make interesting
contacts or at least a good shot for emergency trafic.

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_| | _ Edward C. Soniat (KE4TFT) Internet:ed@pobox.com
_| -|_ Mass transfer: 1854 Bishop's Green Dr
| | Marietta GA 30062 6079 (770)579 3279

1999. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C62547.69E7@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 181074
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Mike Burch wrote:
> Hi Cecil, Thats a really cool call sign! Does it mean REALLY
> likes CODE ALOT?

Hi Mike, Kurt sez it stands for Real old Coot in Arizona. :-)
Real Cool Amateur? Radio Cecil in Arizona?
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2000. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C62723.442490A2@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181075
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

D. Townsend wrote:

> Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6a3s8dnen1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>
> >In article <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>,
> > James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:
> >
> >
> >
> >Maybe, but only renewal statistics will tell for sure.
> >
>
> I don;t think you will see any losses that are significantly lower or higher
>
> than any other liscense class in the ARS today. Some losses are inevitable
> but I wouldn't count on the No Code liscense groups loosing huge numbers due
>
> to the fact that VHF is used for mostly local communication by many of
> these operators, and is extremely popular as an alternative to cell phones
> and other communication devices,even though many have both in their homes
> and Cars.
>
> KF4HMN

I think Michael has a valid point. We really don't have any idea how many of the no-codes will remain active and renew. It is the new entry level for ham radio and there will always those who loose interest after trying it out and let their ticket drop. It might be interesting to compare the percentage of no-codes that do not renew compared to the number of novices that did not upgrade.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2001. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34c92629.6305477@news>
Source record: 181076
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Tue, 20 Jan 1998 23:26:52 -0600, Richard Carroll
<w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

>Cutie Boy wrote:
>
>N2EY wrote:
> I have had to personally stop fellow passengers on
>> >commercial airliners from using their personal cell phones - even after they
>> >were warned by the cabin attendants to turn off all radios. This is one kind of
>> >publicity ham radio does NOT need!
>
>
>> the next to smoke detector in the bathroom is radio detector ??
>
>
> It just keeps getting worse! This nut doesn't even know that he could
>cause the airliner he is riding in to crash because he fouled up the
>glide slope indicator, low approach warning or some other avionics with
>a ham radio HT!!!

In case you didn't know, masacutieboy does this alot. He posts some
outrageous question or statement and then sits back and watches,
hoping for a flame war. Best to ignor him.

--
Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, remove the
xyz from my address.

2002. Chicago Hamfest - Superbowl Sunday

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Frank Krozel <frank@electronicinstrument.com>
Message-ID: <34C62889.675F3521@electronicinstrument.com>
Source record: 181077
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

The Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs Mid-Winter Hamfest (est 3,000 or so), will be held at The Odeum Expo Center, on Super Bowl Sunday, January 25. Doors open 8:00 AM. Talk in 145.390, -, 107.2 or 103.5 PL.

Advanced tickets still available from members, or Amateur Radio Toy Store (Ham store in Wheaton, IL) at 630-668-5688.

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

2003. Re: 146.520/52.525Mhz...H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrell Earnshaw <darrell.earnshaw@sap-ag.de>
Message-ID: <En5923.Hro@sap-ag.de>
Source record: 181078

RadAct wrote in message ...
>I don't think I've used a repeater here in Las Vegas ten times in the last six months. My friends
>and I do great on simplex. We use 6m 52.525, 2m 146.520, 223.500, 446.000 and 1.2gig, all on
>simplex anywhere we go in the city. I totaly think this is how it's supposed to be. Some of the
>hams I've heard will be right behind their friend's car and they're using a repeater on top of an
>8500' mountain to talk to each other. What I've noticed about some of these hams is, they don't
>know how to switch over to the output frequency of the repeater they're using when they're close.
>If someone needs the machine, they'll break in and you'll here them.
>I any case, I have most of my fun on simplex, it works for us.
>
>73 de N7RCM....Las Vegas, Nv (SMARC - Sunrise Mountain Amature Radio Cub)

I agree with your sentiment about simplex. Unfortunately, here in the SF Bay Area, the hills make simplex during a 15-20 mile commute almost impossible!

-- Darrell NR3Y/W6

2004. 100-Year-Old Hobby Takes On New Life

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885402937.1438580738@dejanews.com>
Source record: 181079

For more information contact: Dr. H. Paul Shuch, Executive Director
(201) 641-1770, or email n6tx@setileague.org

For Immediate Release

LITTLE FERRY, NJ.., January 17, 1998-- For the past century, the hobby of Amateur Radio has challenged the technically inclined with its promise of instantaneous global communications. The world's radio amateurs, also known as hams, have contributed to virtually every breakthrough enjoyed by the telecommunications industry, including the development of the Internet. Ironically, the widespread availability of low-cost digital communications (including cellular telephone, email and the web) has in recent years led to a sharp decline in ham radio's ranks. Now the amateur radio community is revitalizing itself by applying its members' talents in search of other life in the cosmos.

"As our society becomes technologically mature, the role of ham radio has to change," observes Dr. H. Paul Shuch, a lifelong radio ham and the Executive Director of the nonprofit SETI (Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence) League. "Searching for life in space requires the kind of radio skills which hams possess, and cannot be conducted simply by logging on-line. It involves the design and construction of antennas, receivers, and signal analysis hardware and software -- which is what ham radio is all about." With over 700 members in 40 countries on six continents, and a plan in place to grow to 5000 stations in its global radio astronomy network, The SETI League is "the ultimate ham club," according to Shuch. This week he embarks on a two-week lecture tour of Australia and New Zealand, as part of his three-year-old effort to inform and involve radio amateurs around the world.

SETI scientists seek to determine through microwave measurements whether humankind is alone in the universe. Since Congress terminated NASA's SETI funding in 1993, The SETI League and other scientific groups have been attempting to privatize the research. Experimenters interested in participating in the search for intelligent alien life, or citizens wishing to help support it, should email to join@setileague.org, check the SETI League Web site at http://www.setileague.org/, send a fax to (201) 641-1771, or contact The SETI League, Inc. membership hotline at 1(800) TAU-SETI. Be sure to provide us with a postal address to which we will mail further information. The SETI League, Inc. is a membership-supported, non-profit [501(c)(3)], educational and scientific corporation dedicated to the electromagnetic Search

for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence.

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----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2005. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6a5at0$hmo@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 181080
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>Jim Kehler wrote:
>>
>> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>
>> >On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
>> >wrote:
>>
>> >>Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any
>> >>Lids there?
>>
>> >> Sure there are bad ops on hf.
>>
>> >> But most of them are on phone not
>> >>CW.
>>
>> >how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
>> >feeling against others by the use of CW.
>>
>> Sure it is Cutie Boy, .._. .._ and it's much faster than on voice.....
>>
>> 73, Jim KH2D

>Jim, you cheated. You abbreviated.

All good CW operators abbreviate.....

>Sayonara, Brian/N0iMD

73, Jim KH2D

2006. Grundig Sat 700 Manual?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: ntiffin@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <1d35zgu.anx1dw1ytgt24N@1cust90.tnt1.chi5.da.uu.net>
Source record: 181081

Does anybody where to go to get a service manual for a Grundig Sat 700.

Thank you.
Neil
ntiffin@earthlink.net

2007. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C635F4.C4A5EF6B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 181082
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote:

> WHAT, NO PROOF??????????????????

Hi Dick,Nope. Just one man's opinion.......

> But if they already had said equipment to use above 27 mHz...........

If you are talking about the freebanders and the abusers of the CB band then they should be hunted down and shot.

> Earlier in the evening, 7 to7:45 pm I let my receiver sit on 3850 kHz,
> waiting to hear some of the terrible gargbage that has so often been
> noted her.

The lib net and associated bozos seem to gather around 3950..... If you were there I doubt you could have spent 45 minutes listening to the garbage from both sides. Hey maybe there should be an award given to those who can stand to listen longer than five minutes.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2008. One month to Green Key Night (& Day)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: haynes@cats.ucsc.edu
Message-ID: <6a5d3a$t1m@darkstar.ucsc.edu>
Source record: 181083
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

On Feb 20 each year we celebrate the beginning of FSK RTTY privileges on the HF bands and toast the memory of the RTTY pioneers who worked so hard back when it was hard work to get on RTTY.

This is not a contest, there are no logs to send in or scores to keep.
There are no rules, just suggestions:
Use a mechanical teleprinter if you can
Use 850 Hz shift if you can, at least part of the time
Use vacuum tube gear if you can
Wallow in nostalgia
Have fun!

Use the usual frequencies where Baudot operators hang out, and the time of the event is very casual; but Feb 20 is the day as it all started on Feb 20, 1953.

2009. File Formats for QST on CDROM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-21 00:00:00 UTC
From: martin@osuunx.ucc.okstate.edu
Message-ID: <6a5d7s$c6n@news.cis.okstate.edu>
Source record: 181084

What kind of method is used to store the text of the articles on
the CDROM's containing archives of "QST?"

I am asking this for a specific reason. "QST" readers who are
blind receive a beautifully-done recording of the text of "QST" each
month as part of the Library of Congress' Talking Book program. These
recordings are professionally done and I have no complaint about them at
all except for one that is nobody's fault. There is no way to
mechanically search back issues and the back issues are starting to
swarm. Each "QST" is about the size of a print magazine and is a large
envelope containing thin flexible disks that are designed to play a few
times and then be thrown away. In practice, they last for years if one
is careful and doesn't step or sit on them or leave them in a hot
place.

If the CDROM's contain bit-mapped pictures of the pages, these
can be converted in to popular graphics formats and fed in to an optical
character recognition system which then converts the text to speech.
It wouldn't sound as good as the original records did, but a CDROM with
several years of "QST" would take up much less space than the two or
three overflowing boxes I presently have. This is not to even mention
the fact that there is no mechanical way to index the information except
to get each one out and play the table of contents.

Basically, I need to know what kind of file system is used on
the CDROM and what kind of format is used to store the "QST" pages?

If there was some way to use one of these CDROM's, I would
probably deep 6 all but the last year or so of records. I just don't
have the room for them. In other words, my reason for wanting to use
"QST" on CDROM isn't all that different from anybody else's reason.
Many thanks for any technical information that would help in deciding
what to do next.

Martin McCormick WB5AGZ Stillwater, OK 36.7N97.4W
OSU Center for Computing and Information Services Data Communications Group

2010. FS: lightweight comm headsets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: scottada@freenet.columbus.oh.us
Message-ID: <6a7jot$rg1@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>
Source record: 180835
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have a dozen Foster lightweight commercial quality communications headsets for sale. Each headset is fully adjustable with one foam padded earpiece/speaker and articulated electret mic. The connector is a standard 4-pin mic plug with index notch. Will include an instruction sheet showing interface circuit diagrams for Kenwood, Yaesu, Icom and Radioshack radios. $5 each (plus $3 shipping) or 2 for $8 (plus $4 shipping) prepaid.

Thanks,
Scott Adams
scottada@freenet.columbus.oh.us

2011. Re: Aerial filters. WACOM???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885480863.293994504@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180836

Bill wrote:

> Hi can anyone help me with a phone number or email address for the above
> company? I seem to remember that they are in Waco Texas. No ammount of
> searching the web comes up with any reference to them so is it my
> spelling or have they gone away?
> --
> Bill G8IAY

Bill,

I bought a bunch of duplexers from them about a year ago. From the
invoice, here is some info:

WACOM Products, Inc
PO BOX 21145
Waco, TX 76702

Phone: 817-848-4435
Fax: 817-848-4209

73, Hans, K0HB

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http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2012. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <885481069.293994507@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180837

In article <34bc4441.7584683@newshost.capecod.net>,
gareth@capecod.net wrote:

> Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
> everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
> station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
> spread?

I'd expect a station to do MUCH better than that, more on the order
of 2.5KC bandwidth, and my observation tells me this is largely true.

73, de Hans, K0HB

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2013. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6a7o1p$4ji@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180838
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote:

>W6RCA wrote:
>>
>> The FCC was really naive about human nature back in the 50s. Hams had to
>> swear that they had operated something like one hour in the past month
>> or three hours in the past six months and could still operate CW at
>> their licensed level. (Don't take me literally cuz I don't remember the
>> exact times). But a ham couldn't renew unless he/she signed his/her name
>> to those guaranteed conditions. Many, many hams who didn't even own rigs
>> and had forgotten Morse code simply signed and renewed.
>> --
>> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)
>---

>Used to be that to re-new a license you had to sign that you
>had had 12 contacts in the last 12 months. Also required back
>in those days was to log your contacts, and retain that log
>for a specified amount of time.

I don't think there was ever a requirement that one had to
actually have a specific contact. I recall (could be wrong)
the FCC form required your saying you met the minimum
operating requirements. That could have been met by
simply sending out a CQ and logging it in without ever
actually engaging in a complete two way QSO.

In any case, that requirement is history as it deservedly
should be.

>There may have been some, who is to say, that lied about it,
>but the fact that one could be spot checked seems it would
>have precluded large numbers of Hams from lying.

Just curious, but was ANYONE ever asked to actually
produce their log after submitting a renewal request?
I seriously doubt it ever happened even once.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2014. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Wake New Hope FD <nospamwnhfd1@ipass.net>
Message-ID: <01bd274e$004fbd00$5b68d1d0@oemcomputer>
Source record: 180839
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> My code, called Dave Code (you will be happy to know) will allow those
who
> can pass the Extra Class Theory exam to get what I call the Extra Special
> License. Is it fair to limit anyone just because most people don't
choose
> to excel?

Is it fair to people who don't want to learn the theory or don't excel at the theory to penalize them? Same argument you make against the code. Heck why don't we do away with it all box up our radios and give the spectrum to someone else that will appreciate it? Everyone wants a free lunch now days. There is no free lunch. The requirements are set so live with them.

Dwayne
KC4ADW
kc4adw@mindspring.com

2015. FS/SWAP for Tube Tester--Sony Turntable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6a7nljamp5@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180840

SONY PS-LX210 DIRECT DRIVE AUTOMATIC SINGLE PLAY TURNTABLE

Sony's "No Frills" basic direct drive turntable in excellent condition. Have photo of unit in .jpg file format to email you if desired.

FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Plays 33 & 45 RPM (45 Single Play Insert)

- Single Play Turntable Activates With Lifting of Arm & Automatically shuts off

- Stop/Reject in mid play button & 33/45 RPM Selector Button

- Cueing arm

- Designed so controls are right up front. The dust cover need not be lifted

- Spring loaded dust cover hinges so cover either stays up or down without manual support

- Plus/Minus Anti-Skate control dial

- Sony VL-42L cartridge

Clear lucite dust cover with all silver metalic base. The platter itself has brushed bright metal edge. A Very Attractive unit.

$45 or b/o plus Parcel Post Shipping costs which are not much.

OR SWAP FOR TUBE TESTER.

I'll pack it FREE.

Out of U.S. buyer welcome.

2016. FS/SWAP for Tube Tester--8 Track/Reel to Reel Dub Deck by Akai/Roberts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6a7noaamp6@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180841

Unusual AKAI/ROBERTS 1725-8L III REEL TO REEL & 8 TRACK DUB DECK

A Very Unusual deck for 8 Track lovers. This unit was probably made by Akai is my guess for Roberts. Says Made in Tokyo Japan on it.

From the Back of the Unit it states:

MULTI-PURPOSE TAPE RECORDER

4 Track Stereo/Mono Reel to Reel
8 Track Stereo Cartridge
Transfer from reel to Cartridge

The unit appears physically in fair to good condition for its age. I do not have a power cord to fit the unit or manual, so I cannot vouch for its mechanical condition by testing it. It is best to assume it may need some attention. $50 or best offer

OR SWAP FOR TUBE TESTER.

Plus U.S. Parcel Post Shipping costs which are not much.

I'll pack it free

International buyer welcome.

2017. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6a7tpo$48$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180842

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) says,

>>If you actually are a ham, why don't you sign with your call? Most every
>>other
>>ham here does, if it is not included in their screen name or e-mail
>address.
>>Seems like a nice courtesy on such a ham-oriented ng. Kind of a unifying
>>thing.
>
>Not a wise move with this bunch. There have been several instances of
>harrassment directed towards various participants of the radio newsgroups
>in
>the past by those who hold differing opinions. Witness the endless
>flamefest
>with Bill Cheek, John Mackey, and friends on rec.radio.scanner. It's much
>safer to remain anonymous...and it's perfectly acceptable to do so. No
>license
>or callsign is required to participate on USENET.

Agreed. If I'm to be branded a coward with no balls, so be it. Waving a
callsign like a banner on these newsgroups brings out the real cowards
in some instances.
****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****

2018. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: n8blk@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122171001.MAA25857@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180843

In article <6a0n7i$4a0@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

>N9VJG <n9vjg@aol.com> wrote:
>>Welcome to real ham radio! It's full of scum bags.

>Oh, stop it. Just how many "bad mouths" can you count on the air?
>Two or three dozen? Can you (with abacus, calculator, or pencil
>and paper) compute what percentage those numbers are out of the
>700,000+ licensed amateurs?
>Jeff KH2PZ

First, I have to realistically ask, just how many of the 700,000 amateurs even have a working transmitter? Second, Eric expressed an opinion, about amateur radio, just as valid as let's say yours. I've read for example more discussion about the Liberty Net, and various groups of lids than I've seen let's say discussion of how to be sure my frequency display is relatively accurate.

Why do for example those who regularly spam, seem to produce more response on Usenet, than those, who ask how to properly tune an old linear or replace capacitors in said linear? I also note that on 75 meters, where I live, I can find not one, not two, not three, but at least six frequencies where jamming, and other liddish behavior is common. It's also difficult to find a frequency that's free at times too, that doesn't have an imitator of one of the participants of the iLiberty net holding forth, insulting and proclaiming the right to do so.

-art clemons-

2019. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com>
Message-ID: <6a7vhfqri1@usenet87.supernews.com>
Source record: 180844
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwayne, I attend free lunches every day. There are free lunches, you just need to know how to find them. There are even people who excel at finding free lunches and I am one of them! When I'm at these free lunches, I often find people who have the courage to change, not only their own lives, but the lives of others. That's why I choose to live in a democracy and to be an American!

Wake New Hope FD wrote in message
<01bd274e$004fbd00$5b68d1d0@oemcomputer>...
>> My code, called Dave Code (you will be happy to know) will allow those
>who
>> can pass the Extra Class Theory exam to get what I call the Extra Special
>> License. Is it fair to limit anyone just because most people don't
>choose
>> to excel?
>
>
> Is it fair to people who don't want to learn the theory or don't excel at
>the theory to penalize them? Same argument you make against the code.
>Heck why don't we do away with it all box up our radios and give the
>spectrum to someone else that will appreciate it? Everyone wants a free
>lunch now days. There is no free lunch. The requirements are set so live
>with them.
>
>
>Dwayne
>KC4ADW
>kc4adw@mindspring.com

2020. Re: Need help with VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: jim <jimn@eaglecomputing.net>
Message-ID: <34C782E3.67C2@eaglecomputing.net>
Source record: 180845
Cross-posted to:
aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Go to
http://www.icongrp.com/~sllewd/
VX-1R Mod Page (it'll show how to un-mod the radio too!)

Michael J. Smith wrote:
>
> Can anyone help me out? I just got a used VX-1R and I am having a few
> problems. First the Priority Channel does not seem to work right. If I am
> in the Ham VHF Band and it is receiving it will not go and check the
> priority channel (in the ham uhf band). Do I have something set wrong? I
> also wanted to know If I could do a cross-band split. I just found out that
> there are differnt versions. I heard someone sent theirs to upgrade the
> CPU. Can this be done? Is here any reason to do so? Will the adams
> software do anything for me? This unit must have been moded. It RX's the
> cell band and TX's all over the place. I think it is the A102 model. Can
> the mods be done on the newer versions?
>
> Can anyone help???
>
> Mike
> Please e-mail at:
> mjs@now-online.com

2021. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122174801.MAA01601@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180846

>>
>>What battle is that? I am not aware of one.
>
>Read this newsgroup lately? The lines are clearly drawn. You'll also hear
>it
>on your local repeaters. Coders vs no-coders, older hams who "refuse to talk
>to no-coders", etc. On HF, the insulting comments directed towards
>technicians
>is even worse.
>
The "battle" you describe is between individuals and groups of individuals because neither party can respect the views of the other. I make my views heard on occasion, and I am very pro-CW. It is my favorite mode, and I wish it was everybody's favorite mode. However, for the sake of harmony and to ensure enjoyment of the bands by the greatest practical number of hams, I am quite satisfied to live in an imperfect world. If a new ham doesn't want to learn the code, and he only wants to buy a brand new HT and key up the local repeater and call himself a ham, that's fine with me. I'll give him all the help I can. I think if I did not like CW, I would be equally tolerant of the CW guys doing all that deebity-beep stuff I wouldn't understand, and I would concentrate on our common interests rather than our differences. You can get me into a logical debate on the merits of CW, but nobody can get me into a shouting match over it. Yet, I am as Pro-CW as they come. The "battle" is between people who will not respect a differing opinion.

As for rudeness on the air, the rudest thing anybody has said or did to me on the air, even when I was a tech too, was a rather blunt remark when I stated that I no longer QSL, and have never saved QSLs. This ham was mainly concerned with hanging paper on the walls, and I was /QRP and /MM and from a state and on a band that he did not have. Even then he wasn't really rude, just a bit vocal about the importance of QSLing, a matter that I personally find trivial. Rudeness? Never been subject to it on the ham bands. Maybe it is because I mostly do CW. Try it sometime, Drew. CW ops don't waste time beeping rude comments. Not worth the effort, I guess.

As for refusing to work Techs, I never sat down at the key and sent CQ for more than 10 or 15 minutes on an open band with a decent signal going out without getting an answer while I was a Tech. I was helped and advised absolutely any time I needed it. Ham Radio has been a very positive part of my life.

Yes, there is quite a bit of rudeness on fone. I think it is because most rudeness is impulsive, and speaking into a microphone allows a lot of impulsive remarks to spill out. We often don't think about our words before we speak them. Like the Arab said, "Before a man speaks a word, he is the master of it. After the word is spoken, it is the master of him". Sitting at a key or a

keyboard, there is sort of a buffer between man and rig, and time to consider each and every word, though i admit I see evidence on these ngs that a few people don't take advantage of this.

>>
>>By the way, I have only been active on the internet a few weeks, but I have
>>noticed a lot of ham and CW related posts from you, and I was curious
>whether
>>you are a ham or not; and of not, exactly what your concern is all about.
>
>Yes, I hold a valid amateur radio license with HF privileges. No, I am not
>an
>active ham. I was bored to tears by most of the drivel I heard on the bands.
>
>The Internet is much more effective, modern, and entertaining as a
>communications hobby.
>
>>I'm
>>not saying non-hams shouldn't post here... far from it. I just don't
>>understand why a non-ham would bother heckling the CW community, nor why he
>>would bother trying to fan the very flames of controversy he complains
>about.
>>
>>I probably missed something important that was discussed before I found
>these
>>ngs, and would appreciate being brought up to speed.
>>
>>If you actually are a ham, why don't you sign with your call? Most every
>>other
>>ham here does, if it is not included in their screen name or e-mail address.
>
>>Seems like a nice courtesy on such a ham-oriented ng. Kind of a unifying
>>thing.
>
>Not a wise move with this bunch. There have been several instances of
>harrassment directed towards various participants of the radio newsgroups in
>the past by those who hold differing opinions. Witness the endless flamefest
>with Bill Cheek, John Mackey, and friends on rec.radio.scanner. It's much
>safer to remain anonymous...and it's perfectly acceptable to do so. No
>license
>or callsign is required to participate on USENET.
>
>
I make no bones about my opinions on CW. Yet, I am not harrassed for those opinions. A somewhat less combative stance would go a long way toward keeping others off your back. Hiding behind an anonymous CB handle isn't the answer. Don't you still get flamed anyway?

Sorry... I missed the show on rec.radio.scanner. Never read that ng, as I did not think there would be much there that interested me. Actually, whenever there is a lot of mudslinging in a particular thread, I just don't read it.

The real issue usually pops up somewhere else while the combatants stay right where they are for a few more salvos.

OK, so let's say you do get flamed worse for using your call or name than using your CB RAMBO sig. So what? What's the big deal? Why be so sensitive about it? Just dont read or acknowledge a post or an e-mail that appears to be all abuse and no substance. You don't have to read it. If anybody else reads it and takes it to heart, it doesn't speak well of the reader either, and you really should't be overly concerned with what the reader, in his ignorance, thinks of you.

Of course no callsign is required... I wouldn't like to see that at all, as it would bar ham-curious newbies from the group. Safer? I don't get it. Do you think somebody will get so mad at you even when you are hurling abuse at him that he will come hunt you down and give you a good stomping? I doubt it. Personally, if that happened to me, I would cheerfully shoot my attacker, but I digress. I doubt that you would be assaulted offline by anybody no matter how rude you are to him on-line. The most obnoxious guys you can imagine on the air and on the net are probably pretty courteous when face-to-face with somebody. The safety thing seems therefore to be a non-issue. As far as being perfectly acceptable goes, since you have a call, I think I would label keeping it a secret to be MARGINALLY acceptable, not "perfectly" so.

Give CW another try. download Supermorse or another shreware morse tutor and work with it, get up to a good conversational speed, upgrade to general, and try out your new priveleges on HF CW before dismissing us all as a bunch of bozos, and HF as boring you to tears with drivel.

You can e-mail me if you like for my website where you can still download SUPERMORSE for now. I'm gonna take it down and put something else up there in a couple of days. I don't want to keep plugging my onw site here even though it isn't commercial.

I'm sorry the inconsiderate few have soured you on Amateur Radio, Drew. Hopefully, you will approach it from another tack before letting your ticket expire. Meanwhile, I still am curious as to why you are still lurking and pouncing here if you are not interested in hamming.

If I can be of any help, let me know.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2022. Meisei Elecric AM Transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Lewis <ab5ck@flash.net>
Message-ID: <01bd275e$d6ece3a0$da0e1ed1@ab5ck>
Source record: 180847

I just purchased a Meisei Electric CF-533D AM transmitter at a local swap-meet (without documentation). Does anyone know where I can find a schematic?

73!
Tom Lewis - AB5CK

2023. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <O6Mx.424$ee.826494@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180848
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote in message <6a6h7u$shd@news.Hawaii.Edu>...
>In article <Nrxx.240$ee.433158@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>,
>> Clinging to 30
>>year old CW requirements and rules and regulations that are slowly
>>strangling the ARS just doesn't make sense to many of us, who came into
>>Amateur Radio later.
>
>Could you be more specific as to how the ARS is being "strangled"?
>
>Jeff KH2PZ

Jeff look at the numbers regarding growth and upgrades with an open mind, we can't accept figures like those posted for last year and survive or keep our spectrum. Many people are crying about Amateurs not being innovative or leading in the development of new technology. Read the requirements because of part 97 the FCC placed on TAPR and the groups that want to expierement with Spread Spectrum. At a time when expiermentation in new technologies is being encouraged by our goverment, the Amateur services are still being contolled by regulations that existed when most of us were still using tube technology. Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put off by the code requirements. You may not like that fact and call them lazy or consider them poor canidates for the ARS, but we need a constant infusion of new people and ideas or the ARS will not be competive with the newer technologies. European operators are doing packet at speeds that rival the internet while the fastest networks we have are 1200 or 9600 baud, this is just one example . Their goverments are working with their amateurs to encourge developing technologies. While we labor under rules, regulations and requirements that not only stifle and impede progress but have given rise to two Amateur radio services, with two very different agendas.

Kf4HMN

2024. KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris Ranes <kc8caj@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <885494411.1045102594@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180849

Fellow Amateurs,

Please feel free to check out the KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page. The URL is http://www.kb8uyz.com/kc8caj.

We have completly revamped the page, so it really loads quite quickly! There are a multitude of links available for you to browse through. Everything from Amateur Radio, Shortwave, Computers, Weather, DX, Amateur Radio Retailers. These are just a few of the different areas covered.

If you would like to have your page posted on this site or just have any comments or questions, feel free to email me at kc8caj@hotmail.com.

Tnx and 73's

Chris Ranes, KC8CAJ
kc8caj@hotmail.com
http://www.kb8uyz.com/kc8caj

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2025. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34C79BEC.7821@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180850
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

John Miles wrote:

GC> > the ground without the pilot being able to do anything about it.
Operating
> > unauthorized electronics of any sort on an aircraft is not just stupid, it is
> > criminally stupid.
> >
> > Gary
> > Gary Coffman KE4ZV |
>
> The above is one point of view. Another point of view is that I've
> never seen a scientifically-controlled test that has EVER conclusively
> demonstrated, documented, and explained harmful interference to a
> safety-critical piece of avionics equipment or navaid by an
> FCC-certified consumer device (meaning, other than devices whose main
> purpose is to transmit RF energy) operated in the passenger cabin.
>

How would you propose to scientifically test all possible
oscillator/mixer/etc schemes that might be used in whatever type of
consumer electronis that could be carried aboard a jetliner? How could
you be sure that those that might pass such scrutiny were correctly
operating as designed?
What are the odds that a screwball mixer product might land on the
pilot's comm frequency and cause him to miss a critical instruction? Or
interfere with some other critical electronic application such that he
could not detect it? Would it take a disaster to convince you? In fact
do you KNOW beyond doubt that just such a disaster has not already
occured and not been identified? Have you ever personally observed the
unexpected result of this type of mixing/interference where the result
surprised you, and you proved the cause?

> Mostly what I've seen is a lot of paranoia and hype from uninformed
> people, even including (gasp!) licensed commercial pilots. Do you have
> any specific references in which this type of problem has been
> thoroughly investigated by someone who understands that correlation does
> not imply causality? I want to hear frequencies, field strengths, modes
> of modulation, antenna proximities, receiver intercept points... not
> "well, golly, I turned on my laptop and the artificial horizon did a
> flip-flop!"
>
> Still another point of view is that if such an instance of interference
> to a safety-critical system has, in fact, occurred, then there is an
> issue of criminal negligence on the part of the FAA for permitting such

> poorly-designed avionics equipment and archaic modulation modes to be
> used on board passenger aircraft in the first place.

You seem to be unfamilar with the term "Installed base" and its implications,and the ramifications of mass change, particularily when such a problem can be easily controlled by very limnited restricting of passenger activty--which is naturally restricted anyway!

>
> Another way of expressing the latter point of view: if some kid with a Game Boy in aisle 25 can bring down the plane by booting up Mario at the
> wrong moment, I think I'll take Amtrak, thank you very much.

The example is rather farfetched, wouldn't you say? Perhaps several magnitudes removed from a 3 watt HT transmitting on or near a communications or navigation frequency, and held to a window.

>
> Beyond that, are you somehow privy to aspects of the KAL007 incident of
> which the rest of the world is unaware? I'd be interested in hearing
> more about the "source of tragedy" you mention.

???? Did we read the same paragraph? I thought he used it as an example of how things can go terribly wrong because of a seemingly innocent mistake.

> Really, Gary, this kind of groundless, anecdotal paranoia is beneath the
> usual high quality standard of your posts.

You can take Amtrak and assume the tracks will hold up OK and that no gasoline tankers will try to 'beat the train' and cross in front of you. As an active ham who would very much like to use an HT at 30,000 feet since I occasionally find myself there anyway, I fully support Gary's position. No paranoia involved, just a working sense of self-preservation and knowledge of how harmonics and mixing products CAN and DO cause real problems.

RSC

2026. FS/Trade IC-2710 plus complete PACKET setup

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephen T. Portell" <portell@azstarnet.com>
Message-ID: <34C7BDDC.44C9@azstarnet.com>
Source record: 180851

For Sale or Trade for HF rig (preferably an ICOM 706 or 706MKII + cash)

Icom's powerful IC-2710. Not a scratch on it

Accessories:
--MFJ-812 VHF/UHF SWR/Wattmeter
--MFJ-1270B TNC-2 PACKET
--8 pin TNC controller cable that integrates the IC-2710's HM-98 mike
with the TNC
--RS-232 data switch to integrate the TNC and a typical PC modem
--two mounting brackets for IC-2710

I'm taking the code test to complete my Advance license. I need a
compact, mobile HF rig that can run on 13.8VDC.

Please contact me at...

portell@azstarnet.com

Steve
KA8UKB

2027. Drake MMDS Downconverters / Feb 98 QST

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob and Gladys Partain <the.partains@postoffice.worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6a8fb4$ijd@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180852

I have the Drake 2880 MMDS downconverters that
are mentioned in the Feb 98 issue of QST.

They are $39 ea. This includes shipping, handling
and the power supply

2028. Re: Improving cordless phone reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122222900.RAA06889@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180853

>2. where I can buy a "long range" cordless phone. by long range I mean
>one mile or so including a few bends and corners. Something I can use
>on a 100 acre farm in the mountians and not something limited to a small
>yard and is not on a cellular net.
>
>I have tried a digital 900mhz spread spectrum phone and it is better
>than a typical cheap 49 mhz version, but it can't take any hills. I
>have use something that I found at a local radio shack (not made by
>radio shack) and it works well, but that was 10 years ago and they can't
>get anymore.
>
>please reply to
>gte900f@prism1.gatech1.edu1 (remove the 1's from the address)
>
>thanks,
>73, Eddie KS4TY
>

Lucent Technologies has one with 4,000 foot range--nearly one mile. That's the best distance I have heard of. The price is steep, 300 to 400 dollars, depending upon source and specials.

Many other 900 MHz cordless phones will do 1,000 feet. My Corbra Intenna will do this, and it scrambles the signal so it can't be readily heard on a scanner. Price about $350.

At $125 and below, expect about one city block range....about 500 feet.

Consider the new cellular/cordless phone combos. They are a cordless phone out to 1000 feet, and then switch to Cellular. No airtime charges while they are in cordless mode.

For a really big farm, consider some of the new trunked systems. Expensive, but will keep you in touch with the base--anywhere--and can make phone calls.

Yrac

2029. Yaesu ft-8100 cell RX mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mac <mcgyv@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <34C7CCFD.758E@hotmail.com>
Source record: 180854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Anyone know of any mods to RX 869-897MhZ ?
I noticed that some people have had sucess on the ft-50 by editing the
"Adams" software. If you have any valuble info to contribute, hints,
tips,etc.,or would like any updates, Mail me at mcgyv@hotmail.com

2030. Selling Radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Spooner <wedding@verinet.com>
Message-ID: <34C7DD96.465F@verinet.com>
Source record: 180855

Can someone direct me to a group where I can post a radio for sale?

John...NOQQY

2031. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: spammers@must.die.com
Message-ID: <wsandersEn7Jsv.64F@netcom.com>
Source record: 180856
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

There is plenty of evidence. From:

http://www-afo.arc.nasa.gov/ASRS/cb_201.html

"After departing VFR, I picked up an IFR flight plan, and was given a clearance. Abeam one
intersection, Approach advised that I was 7 miles south of course and provided a heading to
reintercept. I began course correction and configured the Loran for course guidance. On further
comparison, it was determined that both VOR receivers were suspect as they both indicated 8 degrees off. This prompted a query of the two passengers, children ages 7 and 12, after which it was found that both were using portable tape players. Both units were turned off, and the VOR receivers returned to normal operation. "

Thast's just the first hit I found. The ASRS (the NASA clearinghouse for aviation safety anecdotes) probably has plenty more.

If you think it's all bunk, start your own airline. If you start your own airline, I hope you don't have a problem with authority figures :-)

-w

2032. Re: Selling Radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Crocker <billc@rust.net>
Message-ID: <6a8k7c$8om$1@news2.ispnews.com>
Source record: 180857

rec.radio.swap

Bill Crocker

John Spooner wrote in message <34C7DD96.465F@verinet.com>...
>Can someone direct me to a group where I can post a radio for sale?
>
>John...NOQQY

2033. Zero Beat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "M. Neiner" <m9er@soundcom.net>
Message-ID: <6a8kho$iu7$1@usenet85.supernews.com>
Source record: 180858

I've been using a Yaesu FT-101. The procedure for calibrating the tuning dial calls for tuning to the nearest 100kz mark, turning on the internal 100khz oscillator, and using the dial to tune for a Zero Beat. Well I hear the 100khz tone loud and clear, but I'm not clear on when I have zero Beat. Is it when the tone is at it's highest pitch, lowest pitch, or in the middle when my S meter has the largest deflection? Any info on zero beat would be greatly appreciated.

MIke
KC7MAW
Port Orchard, WA

2034. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122233200.SAA18156@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180859

>The "battle" you describe is between individuals and groups of individuals
>because neither party can respect the views of the other. I make my views
>heard on occasion, and I am very pro-CW. It is my favorite mode, and I wish
>it
>was everybody's favorite mode. However, for the sake of harmony and to
>ensure
>enjoyment of the bands by the greatest practical number of hams, I am quite
>satisfied to live in an imperfect world.

Excellent posting. Thank you for taking time to put these thoughts on the
newsgroup.

Yrac

2035. FS Kenwood TS 570D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980122224431838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 180860

I am selling my TS570d, it is 10 months old and in immaculate condition. It has never been used for transmitting, just receiving. 4 year warranty plus accidental damage cover left.
Reason for Rx only - Still not passed CW test.
£950 or nearest offer plus carriage, could deliver in UK or northern France. Please email direct to the above address.
73s Jon

2036. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C7E7CF.19A@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Curtis M LaFon wrote:
> > There may have been some, who is to say, that lied about it,
> > but the fact that one could be spot checked seems it would
> > have precluded large numbers of Hams from lying.
>
> Hi Curtis, when the penality for doing something right and
> doing something wrong are exactly the same, there is incentive
> to do the something wrong and hope one doesn't get caught.

Well, falsifying a government document can carry a penalty, as I
was/am accutely aware of, my being 20 years in the Navy. So for
me it made more sense to make the contacts and be legal than take
a chance, remote as it may have been, and stand the risk.

> Like the Morse code testing requirement of today, it was an
> unnecessary federal governmental regulation. That it was
> unnecessary and unimportant is proven by the fact that it
> doesn't exist now.

Carl, I think you have gone over the edge. What do you mean it
does not exist today ?

> There has been a law against murder ever
> since laws existed and there still is.

Yes, and the point is ?

> ARS regulations come
> and go according to the whims of the FCC/ARRL. Why do you
> suppose there are no extra-only phone privileges on 40m?

Maybe for the same reason there are non on the WARC Bands ...
it is a smaller segment than the bands that have Extra Only
sprectrum.

> 73, Cecil, W6RCA

2037. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C7F300.1D58@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180862
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl wrote:
>
> Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote:
>
> >W6RCA wrote:
> >>
> >> The FCC was really naive about human nature back in the 50s. Hams had to
> >> swear that they had operated something like one hour in the past month
> >> or three hours in the past six months and could still operate CW at
> >> their licensed level. (Don't take me literally cuz I don't remember the
> >> exact times). But a ham couldn't renew unless he/she signed his/her name
> >> to those guaranteed conditions. Many, many hams who didn't even own rigs
> >> and had forgotten Morse code simply signed and renewed.
> >> --
> >> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)
> >>--
>
> >Used to be that to re-new a license you had to sign that you
> >had had 12 contacts in the last 12 months. Also required back
> >in those days was to log your contacts, and retain that log
> >for a specified amount of time.
>
> I don't think there was ever a requirement that one had to
> actually have a specific contact. I recall (could be wrong)
> the FCC form required your saying you met the minimum
> operating requirements. That could have been met by
> simply sending out a CQ and logging it in without ever
> actually engaging in a complete two way QSO.

Could have been ... it's a mute point .. you did have to
sign a statement on the re-newal form something about having
operated your station 12 times in the past 12 months .. Technically
speaking I guess sending out a CQ is ...Operating your Station ..
but I never considered I had operated my station unless I had
someone to operate with. I will not swear to the exact wording
of the statement you had to sign .. but it still seems to me that
it was ... I have made 12 contacts within the last 12 months.

> In any case, that requirement is history as it deservedly
> should be.

That is your opinion, that the requirement should have been
dropped. I had no problem with the requirement, and would have
none now should it be re-born. I would have a problem if the

logging requirement was brought back such as it was in the old days that you were supposed to log time on/off of each xmission. That was not to bad in the old AM days style .. check into a round table .. wait your turn .. hammer down for 10 minutes .. log on/off time and wait 30-45 minutes until it was your turn again ... and keeping all those notes on what to comment on .. I would not have a problem now if a requirement was in effect that you had to log what frequency, time began and time ended and maybe what stations you worked .. but each individual xmission you made would be murder now to log.

As a matter of fact, I wrote a logging program that has fields for Call, name, city, date first worked, address, phone, and such and a database where you can log your station operation .. time on/off .. freq .. emission .. power .. and several lines of text where you can record what ever you want to about that session, such as stations worked .. anything unusual that happened .. or whatever.

The program also has a database that you can maintain of Companies, such as Kenwood, RF Parts or whoever .. has fields for Name, Products/Services .. who to contact .. address and phone numbers.

AND ... for when your in a QSO and a technical discussion arises, I wrote a scientific calqulator (a graphical mouse driven on) that has alongside it a list box of formulas .. you can edit/add/delete formulas to your liking with a text editor .. that can be called up from the logging program without closing the logging program, and return to the logging program .. All these features are accessed via the old standard drop down menus ... There are a couple of functions that don't work yet in the calculator so I coded the log program so if the Calculator is not in the same directory you get a message that it is not available .. I do not give out the calculator yet, I don't want a glitched program out there with my name on it.

There nis also a 10 minute timer in the logging program .. It is an exe file .. DOS based, so it runs fine on a clunker .. but works in windows .. including Win-95 .. but looks better in windows if you set program properties to full screen ... The mouse works in DOS too.

Now, having said all that, If enough people show interest in the program I could zip it up and make it available for downloading at my web site ... http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

One last thing, I learned the hard way that if a database was open in the program and you lost power, the puter frooze up, or whatever the database would become corrupted so I figured out how to code it so you open the database as needed, retrieve/edit a record then close the DB .. It was a bugger figuring out how to keep track of where you are in the DB when searching/editing a record but I got it to work. Now if you have a power failure it would have to be at the

exact split second the DB is open for reading/writing before you
would lose anything.

> >There may have been some, who is to say, that lied about it,
> >but the fact that one could be spot checked seems it would
> >have precluded large numbers of Hams from lying.
>
> Just curious, but was ANYONE ever asked to actually
> produce their log after submitting a renewal request?
> I seriously doubt it ever happened even once.

I have no idea if anyone ever got checked .. but I never worried
about it as I never falsified the re-newal form.

> Bill Sohl K2UNK
> ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> No Code International, member - 1007
> Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2038. Plans 2m ladder antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: jonsjohnson@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34C7FB49.1BDA@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180863

Looking for anyone who could direct me to the write page for
construction plans on a 2 meter 300 ohm ladder line antenna.
All directions of all indoor antennas are welcome.
Need details cause I have never built a antenna before and Iam wanting
to start trying it out.

Thanks
73s
From the great state of Indiana.
Jon
N9XXR

2039. OPDX Special DX Bulletin #340.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org
Message-ID: <$opdx.340.1.1998@ampr.org>
Source record: 180864
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The following is an excerpt from ARRL Bulletin 8 (ARL008):

"Approved by the Board were rules changes for the DXCC program that had been recommended by the DXCC 2000 Committee. Under the new criteria, no countries currently on the DXCC list will be removed. In the future, countries will be referred to as entities. A political entity will be added to the DXCC list if it meets any one of three criteria: it is a UN member state, it has an ITU prefix block assigned, or it has a separate IARU member society. The new criteria also replace all DXCC measurements, including physical separation distances, with metric system figures roughly equivalent to the former distances. While the 57 entities on the deleted list will remain, no new countries will be added to the deleted list in the future. Deleted entities simply will be removed. In addition, the new rules specify a minimum ''island'' size of 100 meters measured in a straight line. The DXCC field checking program will remain in place. The effective date of the changes will be announced later this year. The DXCC 2000 Committee was discharged with the Board's thanks."

Here are the new DXCC Rules adopted by the Board of Directors during their January meeting last weekend. The implementation date is March 31, 1998.

Revision dated: 17 January, 1998
American Radio Relay League
DX Century Club Rules

INTRODUCTION

The DXCC List is based upon the principle espoused by Clinton B. DeSoto, W1CBD, in his landmark 1935 QST article, "How to Count Countries Worked, A New DX Scoring System." DeSoto's article discussed problems DXers had in determining how to count the DX they had worked. He presented the solution that has worked successfully for succeeding generations of DXers.

In DeSoto's words, "The basic rule is simple and direct: Each discrete geographical or political entity is considered to be a country." This rule has stood the test of time • from the original list published in 1937 to the ARRL DXCC List of today. For more than 60 years, the DXCC List has been the standard for DXers around the world.

DeSoto never intended that all DXCC "countries" would be countries in the traditional, or dictionary, meaning of the word. Rather, they are the distinct geographic and political Entities which DXers seek to contact. Individual achievement is measured by working and confirming the various Entities comprising the DXCC List. This is the essence of the DXCC program.

DXCC activity was interrupted by World War II. In 1947, the program started anew. Contacts were valid from November 15, 1945, the date US amateurs were authorized by the FCC to return to the air.

Over time, the criteria for the List have changed. However, Entities are not removed when changes are made. The List remains unchanged until an Entity no longer satisfies the criteria under which it was added. Thus, today's DXCC List does not fully conform with today's criteria. Changes are announced under DXCC Notes in QST.

SECTION I. BASIC RULES

1. The DX Century Club Award, with certificate and lapel pin (there is a nominal fee of $5 for the DXCC lapel pin) is available to Amateur Radio operators throughout the world (see #15 below for the DXCC Award Fee Schedule). ARRL membership is required for DXCC applicants in the US, its possessions, and Puerto Rico. ARRL membership is not required for foreign applicants. All DXCCs are endorsable (see Rule 5). There are 12 separate DXCC awards available, plus the DXCC Honor Roll:

a) Mixed (general type): Contacts may be made using any mode since November 15, 1945.
b) Phone: Contacts must be made using radiotelephone since November 15, 1945. Confirmations for cross-mode contacts for this award must be dated September 30, 1981, or earlier.

c) CW: Contacts must be made using CW since January 1, 1975. Confirmations for cross-mode contacts for this award must be dated September 30, 1981, or earlier.

d) RTTY: Contacts must be made using radioteletype since November 15, 1945. (Baudot, ASCII, AMTOR and packet count as RTTY.) Confirmations for cross-mode contacts for this award must be dated September 30, 1981, or earlier.

e) 160 Meter: Contacts must be made on 160 meters since November 15, 1945.

f) 80 Meter: Contacts must be made on 80 meters since November 15, 1945.

g) 40 Meter: Contacts must be made on 40 meters since November 15, 1945.

h) 10 Meter: Contacts must be made on 10 meters since November 15, 1945.

i) 6 Meter: Contacts must be made on 6 meters since November 15, 1945.

j) 2 Meter: Contacts must be made on 2 meters since November 15, 1945.

k) Satellite: Contacts must be made using satellites since March 1, 1965. Confirmations must indicate satellite QSO.

l) Five-Band DXCC (5BDXCC): The 5BDXCC certificate is available for working and confirming 100 current DXCC countries (deleted countries don't count for this award) on each of the following five bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 Meters. Contacts are valid from November 15, 1945.
The 5BDXCC is endorsable for these additional bands: 160, 17, 12, 6, and 2 Meters. 5BDXCC qualifiers are eligible for an individually engraved plaque (at a charge of $30.00 US plus shipping).

m) Honor Roll: Attaining the DXCC Honor Roll represents the pinnacle of DX achievement:

i) Mixed--To qualify, you must have a total confirmed country count that places you among the numerical top ten DXCC countries total on the current DXCC Countries List (example: if there are 329 current DXCC countries, you must have at least 320 countries confirmed).

ii) Phone--same as Mixed.

iii) CW--same as Mixed.

iv) RTTY--same as Mixed.

To establish the number of DXCC country credits needed to qualify for the Honor Roll, the maximum possible number of current countries available for credit is published monthly in QST. First-time Honor Roll members are recognized monthly in QST. Complete Honor Roll standings are published annually in QST, usually in the July issue. See DXCC notes in QST for specific information on qualifying for this Honor Roll standings list. Once recognized on this list or in a subsequent monthly update of new members, you retain your Honor Roll standing until the next standings list is published. In addition, Honor Roll members are recognized in the DXCC Annual List for those who have been listed in the previous Honor Roll listings or have gained Honor Roll status in a subsequent monthly listing. Honor Roll qualifiers receive an Honor Roll endorsement sticker for their DXCC certificate and are eligible for an Honor Roll lapel pin ($5) and an Honor Roll plaque ($30 plus shipping). Write the DXCC Desk for details or check out the Century Club Item Order Form at
http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/

v) #1 Honor Roll: To qualify for a Mixed, Phone, CW or RTTY Number One plaque, you must have worked every country on the current DXCC Countries List. Write the DXCC Desk for details. #1 Honor Roll qualifiers receive a #1 Honor Roll endorsement sticker for their DXCC certificate and are eligible for a #1 Honor Roll lapel pin ($5) and a #1 Honor Roll plaque ($50 plus shipping).

2. Written proof (i.e., QSL cards) of two-way communication (contacts) must be submitted directly to ARRL Headquarters for all DXCC credits claimed.

Photocopies and electronically transmitted confirmations (including, but not limited to fax, telex and telegram) are not currently acceptable for DXCC purposes. Staff may accept electronic confirmations when procedures to do so are adopted.
The use of a current official DXCC application form or an approved facsimile (for example, exactly reproduced by a computer program) is required. Such forms must include provision for listing callsign, date, band, mode, and DXCC country name. Complete application materials are available from ARRL Headquarters. Confirmations for a total of 100 or more different DXCC Credits must be included with your first application.
Cards contained in the original received envelopes or in albums will be returned at applicant's expense without processing.
By action of the ARRL Board of Directors, 10-MHz confirmations may be credited to Mixed, CW and RTTY awards only.

3. The ARRL DXCC List is based on the DXCC List Criteria.

4. Confirmation data for two-way communications must include the call signs of both stations, the Entity name as shown in the DXCC List, mode, and date, time and band. Except as permitted in Rule 1, cross mode contacts are not permitted for DXCC credits. Confirmations not containing all required information may be rejected.

5. Endorsement stickers for affixing to certificates or pins will be awarded as additional DXCC credits are granted. For the Mixed, Phone, CW, RTTY, 80, 40, and 10-Meter DXCC, stickers are provided in exact multiples of 50, i.e. 150, 200, etc. between 100 and 250 DXCC credits, in multiples of 25 between 250 and 300, and in multiples of 5 above 300 DXCC credits. For 160-Meter, 6-Meter, 2-Meter and Satellite DXCC, the stickers are issued in exact multiples of 25 starting at 100 and multiples of 10 above 200, and in multiples of 5 between 250 and 300. Confirmations for DXCC credit may be submitted in any increment, but stickers and listings are providing only after a new level has been attained.

6. All contacts must be made with amateur stations working in the authorized amateur bands or with other stations licensed or authorized to work amateurs. Contacts made through "repeater" devices or any other power relay methods (other than satellites for Satellite DXCC) are invalid for DXCC credit.

7. Any Amateur Radio operation should take place only with the complete approval and understanding of appropriate administration officials. In countries where amateurs are licensed in the normal manner, credit may be claimed only for stations using regular government-assigned call signs or portable call signs where reciprocal agreements exist or the host government has so authorized portable operation. Without documentation supporting the operation of an amateur station, credit will not be allowed for contacts with such stations in any country that has temporarily or permanently closed down Amateur Radio operations by special government edict or policy where amateur licenses were formerly issued in the normal manner. In any case, credit will be given for contacts where adequate evidence of authorization by appropriate authorities exits, notwithstanding

any such previous or subsequent edict or policy.

8. All stations contacted must be "land stations." Contacts with ships and boats, anchored or underway, and airborne aircraft, cannot be counted. For the purpose of this award, remote control operating points must also be land based. Exception: Permanently docked exhibition ships, such as the Queen Mary and other historic ships will be considered land based.

9. All stations must be contacted from the same DXCC Entity. The location of any station shall be defined as the location of the transmitter. For the purposes of this award, remote operating points must be located within the same DXCC Entity as the transmitter.

10. All contacts must be made using callsigns issued to the same station licensee. Operation by an operator other than the licensee must be in accordance with the regulations governing the license grant. You may combine confirmations from several call signs held for credit to one DXCC award, as long as the provisions of Rule 9 are met. Contacts made from club stations using a club callsign may not be used for credit to an individual's DXCC.

11. All confirmations must be submitted exactly as received by the applicant. The submission of altered, forged, or otherwise invalid confirmations for DXCC credit may result in disqualification of the applicant. Any holder of a DXCC award who knowingly submits altered, forged or otherwise invalid confirmations will forfeit the right to continued DXCC membership. The ARRL Awards Committee shall rule in these matters. The Awards Committee shall also determine the future eligibility of any DXCC applicant who has ever been barred from DXCC.

12. Conduct:
Exemplary conduct is expected of all amateur radio operators participating in the DXCC program. Evidence of intentionally disruptive operating practices or inappropriate ethical conduct in any aspect of DXCC participation may lead to disqualification from all participation in the program by action of the ARRL Awards Committee.
Actions that may lead to disqualification include, but are not limited to:

a) The submission of forged or altered confirmations.

b) The presentation of forged or altered documents in support of an operation.

c) Participation in activities that create an unfavorable impression of amateur radio with government authorities. Such activities include malicious attempts to cause disruption or disaccreditation of an operation.

d) Blatant inequities in confirmation (QSL) procedures. Continued refusal to issue QSLs under certain circumstances may lead to disqualification. Complaints relating to monetary issues involved in QSLing will generally not be considered, however.

13. Each DXCC applicant, by applying, or submitting documentation, stipulates to:

a) Having observed all pertinent governmental regulations for Amateur Radio in the country or countries concerned.

b) Having observed all DXCC rules.

c) Being bound by the DXCC rules.

d) Being bound by the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee.

14. All DXCC applications (for both new awards and endorsements) must include sufficient funds to cover the cost of returning all confirmations (QSL cards) via the method selected. Funds must be in US dollars using US currency, check or money order made payable to the ARRL, or International Reply Coupons (IRCs). Address all correspondence and inquiries relating to the various DXCC awards and all applications to: ARRL Headquarters, DXCC Desk, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111, USA.

15. Fees.

Effective October 1, 1990, all amateurs applying for their very first DXCC Award will be charged a one-time registration fee of $10.00. This same fee applies to both ARRL members and foreign non-members, and both will receive one DXCC certificate and a DXCC pin. Applicants must provide funds for postage charges for QSL return.

a) A $10.00 shipping and handling fee will be charged for each additional DXCC certificate issued, whether new or replacement. A DXCC pin will be included with each certificate.

b) Endorsements and new applications may be presented in person at ARRL HQ, and at certain ARRL conventions. When presented in this manner, such applications shall be limited to 120 QSOs maximum, and a $5.00 handling charge will apply, in addition to other applicable fees.

c) Each ARRL member will be charged $10.00 for the first submission of the year, up to 120 QSOs and return postage.

d) A $0.15 fee will be charged for each QSO credited beyond the limits described in 15. b), 15. c), and 15. f).

e) Foreign non-ARRL members will be charged a $20.00 DXCC Award fee for their first yearly submission, in addition to return postage charges. Fees in 15. a), 15. b), and 15. d), and 15. f) also apply.

f) DXCC participants who wish to submit more than once per calendar year will be charged a DXCC fee for each additional submission made during the remainder of the calendar year. These fees are dependent upon membership status: ARRL Members: $20.00 (for the first 100 QSOs) Foreign non-members: $30.00 (for the first 100 QSOs). Additionally, return postage must be provided by applicant, and charges from 15. a), 15. b) and 15. d) also.

16. The ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC) requests your comments and suggestions for improving DXCC. Address correspondence, including

petitions for new listing consideration, to ARRL Headquarters, DXAC, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111, USA. The DXAC may be contacted by e-mail to dxac@arrl.org. Note that this address is valid for the DXAC only. Correspondence on routine DXCC matters should be addressed to the DXCC Desk, or by e-mail to dxcc@arrl.org.

SECTION II. DXCC LIST CRITERIA

Introduction:

The ARRL DXCC List is the result of progressive changes in DXing since 1945. Each Entity on the DXCC List contains some definable political or geographical distinctiveness. While the general policy for qualifying Entities for the DXCC List has remained the same, there has been gradual evolution in the specific details of criteria which are used to test Entities for their qualifications. The full DXCC List does not conform completely with current criteria, for some of the listings were recognized from pre-WWII or were accredited with earlier versions of the criteria. In order to maintain continuity with the past, as well as to maintain a robust DXCC List, all Entities on the List at the time the 1998 revision became effective were retained.

Definitions:

Certain terms occur frequently in the DXCC criteria and are listed here. Not all of the definitions given are used directly in the criteria, but are listed in anticipation of their future use.

Entity: A listing on the DXCC List; a counter for DXCC awards. Previously denoted a DXCC "Country."

Event: An historical occurrence, such as date of admission to UN, ITU, or IARU, that may be used in determining listing status.

Event Date: The date an Event occurs. This is the Start Date of all Event Entities.

Event Entity: An Entity created as the result of the occurrence of an Event.

Discovery Entity: An Entity "Discovered" after the listing is complete. This applies only to Geographic Entities, and may occur after a future rule change, or after an Event has changed its status.

Discovery Date: Date of the rule change or Event which prompts addition of the Entity. This is the Start Date for a Discovery Entity.

Original Listing: An Entity which was on the DXCC List at the time of inception.

Start Date: The date after which confirmed two-way contact credits may be counted for DXCC awards.

Add Date: The date when the Entity will be added to the List, and cards will be accepted. This date is for administrative purposes only, and will

occur after the Start Date.

Island: A naturally formed area of land surrounded by water, the surface of which is above water at high tide. For the purposes of this award, it must consist of connected land, of which at least two surface points must be separated from each other by not less than 100 meters measured in a straight line from point to point. All of the connected land must be above the high tide mark, as demonstrated on a chart of sufficient scale. For the purposes of this award, any island, reef, or rocks of less than this size shall not be considered in the application of the water separation criteria described in Part 2 of the criteria.

Criteria:

Additions to the DXCC List may be made from time to time as world conditions dictate. Entities may also be removed from the List as a result of political or geographic change. Entities removed from the List may be returned to the List in the future, should they requalify under this criteria. However, an Entity requalified does so as a totally new Entity, not as a reinstated old one.

For inclusion in the DXCC List, conditions as set out below must be met. Listing is not contingent upon whether operation has occurred or will occur, but only upon the qualifications of the Entity.

There are five parts to the criteria, as follows:

1. Political Entities
2. Geographical Entities
3. Special Areas
4. Ineligible Areas
5. Removal Criteria

1. Political Entities:

Political Entities are those areas which are separated by reason of government or political division. They generally contain an indigenous population which is not predominantly composed of military or scientific personnel.

An Entity will be added to the DXCC List as a Political Entity if it meets any one of the following three criteria:

a) The entity is a UN Member State.

b) The entity has been assigned a callsign prefix bloc by the ITU . A provisional prefix bloc assignment may be made by the Secretary General of ITU. Should such provisional assignments not be ratified later by the full ITU, the Entity will be removed from the DXCC List.

c) The Entity has a separate IARU Member Society.

New Entities satisfying any one or more of the three conditions above will be added to the DXCC List by administrative action as of their "Event

Date."

Entities qualifying under this section will be referred to as the "Parent" when considering separation under the section "Geographical Separation." Only Entities in this group will be acceptable as a Parent for separation purposes.

2. Geographic Separation Entity:

A Geographic Separation Entity may result when a single Political Entity is physically separated into two or more parts. The part of such a Political Entity that contains the capital city is considered the Parent for tests under these criteria. One or more of the remaining parts resulting from the separation may then qualify for separate status as a DXCC Entity if they satisfy paragraph a) or b) of the Geographic Separation Criteria, as follows.

a) Land Areas:

A new Entity results when part of a DXCC Entity is separated from its Parent by 100 kilometers or more of land of another DXCC Entity. Inland waters may be included in the measurement. The test for separation into two areas requires that a line drawn along a great circle in any direction from any part of the proposed Entity must not touch the Parent before crossing 100 kilometers of the intervening DXCC Entity.

b) Island Areas:

A new Entity results in the case of an island under the following conditions:

i) The island is separated from its Parent by 350 kilometers or more. Measurement of islands in a group begins with measurement from the island containing the capital city. Only one Entity of this type may be attached to any Parent.

ii) The island is separated from its Parent by 350 kilometers or more, and from any other island attached to that Parent in the same or a different island group by 800 kilometers or more.

iii) The island is separated from its Parent by intervening land or islands that are part of another DXCC Entity, such that a line drawn along a great circle in any direction from any part of the island does not touch the Parent before touching the intervening DXCC Entity. There is no minimum separation distance under this section.

3. Special Areas:

The Special Areas listed here may not be divided into additional Entities under the DXCC Rules. None of these constitute a Parent Entity, and none creates a precedent for the addition of similar or additional Entities.

a) The International Telecommunications Union in Geneva (4U1ITU) shall, because of its significance to world telecommunications, be considered as a

Special Entity. No additional UN locations will be considered under this ruling.

b) The Antarctic Treaty, signed on 1 December 1959 and entered into force on 23 June 1961, establishes the legal framework for the management of Antarctica. The treaty covers, as stated in Article 6, all land and ice shelves below 60 degrees South. This area is known as the Antarctic Treaty Zone. Article 4 establishes that parties to the treaty will not recognize, dispute, or establish territorial claims and that they will assert no new claims while the treaty is in force. Under Article 10, the treaty States will discourage activities by any country in Antarctica that are contrary to the terms of the treaty. In view of these Treaty provisions, no new Entities below 60 degrees South will be added to the DXCC List as long as the Treaty remains in force.

c) The Spratly Islands, due to the nature of conflicting claims, and without recognizing or refuting any claim, is recognized as a Special Entity. Operations from this area will be accepted with the necessary permissions issued by an occupying Entity. Operations without such permissions, such as with a self-assigned (e.g., 1S) callsign, will not be recognized for DXCC credit.

d) Control of Western Sahara (S0) is currently at issue between Morocco and the indigenous population. The UN has stationed a peacekeeping force there. Until the sovereignty issue is settled, only operations licensed by the RASD shall count for DXCC purposes.

e) Entities on the 1997 DXCC List that do not qualify under the current criteria remain as long as they retain the status under which they were originally added. A change in that status will result in a review in accordance with Rule 5 of this Section.

4. Ineligible Areas:

a) Areas having the following characteristics are not eligible for inclusion on the DXCC List, and are considered as part of the host Entity for DXCC purposes:

i) Any extraterritorial legal Entity of any nature including, but not limited to, embassies, consulates, monuments, offices of the United Nations agencies or related organizations, other inter-governmental organizations or diplomatic missions;

ii) Any area with limited sovereignty or ceremonial status, such as monuments, indigenous areas, reservations, and homelands.

iii) Any area classified as a Demilitarized Zone, Neutral Zone or Buffer Zone.

b) Any area which is unclaimed or not owned by any recognized government is not eligible for inclusion on the DXCC List and will not count for DXCC purposes.

5. Removal Criteria:

a) An Entity may be removed from the List if it no longer satisfies the criteria under which it was added. However, if the Entity continues to meet one or more currently existing rules, it will remain on the List.

b) An Entity may be removed from the List if it was added to the List:
i) Based on a factual error (Examples of factual errors include inaccurate measurements, or observations from incomplete, inaccurate or outdated charts or maps); and
ii) The error was made less than five years earlier than its proposed removal date.

c) A change in the DXCC Criteria shall not affect the status of any Entity on the DXCC List at the time of the change. In other words, criteria changes will not be applied retroactively to Entities on the List.

SECTION III. ACCREDITATION CRITERIA

1. Each nation of the world manages its telecommunications affairs differently. Therefore, a rigid, universal accreditation procedure cannot be applied in all situations. During more than 50 years of DXCC administration, basic standards have evolved in establishing the legitimacy of an operation.
It is the purpose of this section to establish guidelines that will assure that DXCC credit is given only for contacts with operations that are conducted with proper licensing and have established a legitimate physical presence within the Entity to be credited. Any operation that satisfies these conditions (in addition to the applicable elements of SECTION I., Rules 6, 7, 8, and 9) will be accredited. It is the intent of the DXCC administration to be guided by the actions of sovereign nations when considering the accreditation of amateur radio operation within their jurisdiction. DXCC will be reasonably flexible in reviewing licensing documentation. Conversely, findings by a host government indicating non-compliance with their amateur radio regulations may cause denial or revocation of accreditation.

2. The following points should be of particular interest to those seeking accreditation for a DX operation:

a) The vast majority of operations are accredited routinely without a requirement for the submission of authenticating documentation. However, all such documents should be retained by the operator in the unlikely event of a protest.

b) In countries where Amateur Radio operation has not been permitted or has been
suspended or where some reluctance to authorize amateur stations has been noted, authenticating documents may be required before accrediting an operation.

c) Special permission may be required from a governmental agency or private party before entering certain DXCC Entities for the purpose of conducting amateur radio operations even though the Entity is part of a country with no amateur radio restrictions. Examples of such Entities are Desecheo I. (KP5); Palmyra I. (KH5); and Glorioso Islands (FR/G).

3) For those cases where supporting documentation is required, the following can be used as a guide to identify those documents necessary for accreditation.

a) Photocopy of license or operating authorization.

b) Photocopy of passport entry and exit stamps.

c) For islands, a landing permit and a signed statement of the transporting ship's, boat's, or aircraft's captain, showing all pertinent data, such as date, place of landing, etc.

d) For locations where special permission is known to be required to gain access, evidence of this permission must be presented.

4) These accreditation requirements are intended to preserve the integrity of the DXCC program and to ensure that the program does not encourage amateurs to "bend the rules" in their enthusiasm, possibly jeopardizing the future development of Amateur Radio. Every effort will be made to apply these criteria uniformly and to make a determination consistent with these objectives.

SECTION IV. FIELD CHECKING OF QSL CARDS

QSL cards for new DXCC awards and endorsements may be checked by two DXCC Field Representatives. This program applies to any DXCC award for an individual or station. Specifically excluded from this program are 6-meter, 2-meter, Satellite DXCC and all 160-meter QSLs.

1) Countries Eligible for Field Checking:

a) Eligible countries will be indicated in the ARRL DXCC Countries List, and are subject to change. Only cards from these eligible countries may be checked by DXCC Field Representatives. QSLs for other DXCC countries must be submitted directly to ARRL Headquarters.

b) The ARRL Awards Committee determines which countries are eligible for Field Checking.

2) DXCC Field Representatives:

a) DXCC Field Representatives must be ARRL members who have a DXCC award endorsed for at least 300 countries.

b) To become a DXCC Field Representative, a person must be nominated by a DX club. (A DX club is an ARRL affiliated club with at least 25 members who are DXCC members and which has, as its primary interest, DX. If there are any questions regarding the validity of a DX club, the issue shall be determined by the Division Director where the DX club is located.) A person does not have to be a member to be nominated by a DX club.

c) DXCC Field Representatives are approved by the Director of the ARRL Division in which they reside and appointed by the President of the ARRL.

d) DXCC Field Representative appointments must be renewed annually.

3) Card Checking Process:

a) Only cards from the list of eligible countries can be checked by DXCC Field Representatives. An application for a new award shall contain a minimum of 100 QSL confirmations from the list and shall not contain any QSLs from countries that are not on the list of eligible countries. Additional cards should not be sent to HQ with field checked applications. The application may contain the maximum number of countries that appear on the list of eligible countries. That is, if there are 245 countries on the list, field-checked applications could contain 245 countries.

b) It is the applicant's responsibility to get cards to and from the DXCC Field Representatives.

c) Field Representatives may, at their own discretion, handle members' cards by mail.

d) The ARRL is not responsible for cards handled by DXCC Field Representatives and will not honor any claims.

e) The QSL cards must be checked by two DXCC Field Representatives.

f) The applicant and both DXCC Field Representatives must sign the application form. (See Section I no. 11 regarding altered, forged or otherwise invalid confirmations.)

g) The applicant shall provide a stamped no. 10 envelope (business size) addressed to ARRL HQ to the DXCC Field Representatives. The applicant shall also provide the applicable fees (check or money order payable to ARRL-no cash).

h) The DXCC Field Representatives will forward completed applications and appropriate fee(s) to ARRL HQ.

4) ARRL HQ involvement in the card checking process:

a) ARRL HQ staff will receive field-checked applications, enter application data into DXCC records and issue DXCC credits and awards as appropriate.

b) ARRL HQ staff will perform random audits of applications. Applicants or members may be requested to forward cards to HQ for checking before or after credit is issued.

c) The applicant and both DXCC Field Representatives will be advised of any errors or discrepancies encountered by ARRL staff.

d) ARRL HQ staff provides instructions and guidelines to DXCC Field Representatives.

5) Applicants and DXCC members may send cards to ARRL Headquarters at any time for review or recheck if the individual feels that an incorrect determination has been made.

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2040. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher (Chris) W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C80584.9823ED75@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180865

You cant...ALTHOUGH I agree that having them on standard
chanels would be nice (Texas is a 20Khz state and we have
people who still have 30 Khz channels in their older xtalled
rigs like 146.49, 6.55, etc), it is not against the law at all
for them to chose ANY freq in the simplex ranges....as long as
they dont deliberately interfer with someone...you COULD ask
them to move up or down IF they are inteferring...
otherwise, good luck...

Chris
WB5ITT
Board of Director member-
TX VHF FM Society
AND
LA Council of ARCs (the only Texan to do so)

pruth@alpha.cc.oberlin.edu wrote:
>
> This is not a grave problem, just a peeve, that happens enough
> to be annoying: 2m FM simplex ops who ragchew 5-10KHz off the
> channel. I'll be monitoring 147.525 in my home state, Ohio, which
> has 15 KHz channel spacing, and hear squelch breaking from time
> to time when other Ohio ops ragchew on 147.520, which is 5 KHz shy
> of where they should be, in Ohio. I know there's yet to be any
> uniformity of channel spacing, with neighboring Michigan having
> 20 KHz spaces, and I feel sorry for 2m ops near the OH-MI border.
> I've tried to tactfully mention to the offending ops that they're
> 5 off but they refuse to change their ways, one saying there's no
> law that says he can't be off-channel, and of course he's right.
> This happens in other places on 2m, where ops seem to land
> willy-nilly on a freq and set up camp, to the annoyance of those
> using channelized freqs the way suggested by the Gentlemen's
> Agreements. Any advice on how to go about persuading these ops
> to bump it up, or down, as the case may be? I suppose we could
> move our ragchew freq and avoid the problem that way, but darn it!
> what's wrong with these people anyway? Thanks for listening, I feel
> much better, and it could be much worse--it could be Southern
> California :^) --Bill KB8USZ william.a.ruth@oberlin.edu

2041. Re: Elmer needed for 6 meters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher (Chris) W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C80718.38C92EF@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180866

Stuart,
welcome to the wonderful band of 6mtrs!!!

Here are some tips for ya..

CW Beacons are usually around 50.066 Mhz
SSB is 50.1 to 50.25 with most calling on 50.110 and 50.125
and some on 50.2...
AM is on 50.4

RC models hang out on 50.8 to 51 Mhz...PLEASE STAY AWAY from this
area....you could crash a plane into something....or someONE!

FM is 51-54 Mhz with 52.525 being the simplex channel...
Not sure of the rptr situation in your area....look in
the ARRL rptr directory or give a holler on 52.525 simplex.

Hope that helps a little!!!
There is one book out by Gordon West on 6 ....other than his
S CA influence on the 6mtr FM band listing in the book (which
is thankfully NOT correct for the rest of the country), it is
a good one to read....

BTW the major rptr offsets on 6 are:
-1 MHz odd channels (53.01 - 53.99 outputs) Most of 6mtr rptrs still
here
-1.7 MHz off channels (same as above...NW US uses this a lot)
+500Khz even channels (51.02 and up) S CA and few other states...

73
Chris
WB5ITT

Stuart Underwood wrote:
>
> Greetings,
> I have purchased an FT690 a couple of days ago. I am looking
> forward working on the "Magic Band." I have a three element beam, and a
> Diamond vertical. I am wondering if there is any Northeastern Ohio nets
> I can check into, listen too, and or get more information on 6 meters
> from. Are there any decent books I can read about the band? Thanks in
> advance. 73, Stuart KB8VIY

2042. !!!! RADIO REVIEWS FT-50,VX1R,TH79,THG71

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike <pltd@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <6a92o7$of7@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180867

see:

www.mariat.net/real.html

2043. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C80957.5C5F@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180868
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On 22 Jan 1998 20:11:25 GMT, "Todd Dugdale" <sirius@tiny.net> wrote:
>
snip
>> I've always thought that, since hams so often flout this "talk to >>other side
>>of the world" crap, that a foreign language should be a requirement >>rather than
>>Morse code.

The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
(for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. Rock solid with a pencil at 25 WPM ..
http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

>>Or perhaps some archaic dead language like Latin or Sanskrit. This >>would
>>separate those who are "serious" about radio from those who merely want to talk
>>to other human beings about things that interest them.
> > Try to remember what a licence is for. If states required semaphore code
> >proficiency or an ability to recite to recite the Odyssey from memory in order
> >to receive a drivers licence, traffic would definitely be down. The idea is
> >that you have the minimum skills needed to use the service, not that you know
> >the secret word.
> > The no-code licences have saved amateur radio in the u.s. from oblivion. Now
> >hams insist that if these newcomers want to talk to rest of the nation or the
> >world, they had better do what the OT's had to do--learn code. That's
> >gratitude.
> > The joke is on the OT's, though. With the internet and programs like
> >NetMeeting, ordinary people can talk to ordinary people all over the world, not
> >just some cranky old fart in his basement. No code, no licence, no tower or
> >fifty foot antenna needed. Since the FCC is gone by the wayside, anyone who
> >REALLY wants to go the RF route can without a licence anyway.
> > By the way, have you given up on the steam engine yet?
> >Todd Dugdale
> >Minneapolis, MN
>
> well done. I hope old foggies read this.
>
> ____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org

> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
> --
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

2044. Re: Zero Beat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C815B3.DDED7739@flash.net>
Source record: 180869

M. Neiner wrote:

> I've been using a Yaesu FT-101. The procedure for calibrating the tuning
> dial calls for tuning to the nearest 100kz mark, turning on the internal
> 100khz oscillator, and using the dial to tune for a Zero Beat. Well I hear
> the 100khz tone loud and clear, but I'm not clear on when I have zero Beat.
> Is it when the tone is at it's highest pitch, lowest pitch, or in the middle
> when my S meter has the largest deflection? Any info on zero beat would be
> greatly appreciated.
>
> MIke
> KC7MAW
> Port Orchard, WA

Hi Mike:

Zero beat, in the case of a crystal calibrator means that you are 'zero' cycles off frequency from the 100KHz marker.
As your tuning down you'll hear the pitch get lower and lower, when the tone gets below 30 cycles or so turn the volume up and continue tuning, you can actually hear the speaker pumping when you get down to 2 or 3 cycles off frequency. When there is no movement or sound your at zero beat or in other words your VFO is exactly on a 100KHz divison.

To think of it in other terms, if you put an audio frequency meter on your speaker and tuned for 1000 hz tone, your frequency would be exactly 1000 hz or 1KHz off frequency. Keep in mind when your operating CW, you want to zero beat the other station so that your calling him on the exact same frequency. Where it gets tricky is many trancievers automatically shift your transmit frequency so if your listening to station and have his signal tuned to give you a 1000Hz tone and your on 7.105 then your transmit frequency will be 7.104. Hope this helps. Have fun with the Yaesu.

Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

2045. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6a94th$148$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180870
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C7ACCB.86D99B2C@ix.netcom.com>,
Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>David stated quite correctly, that if you remove (now, not before or
>after but now) no code from the ranks of amateurs there would be fewer
>of them. It goes like this. If you have 100 amateurs and 2 are no code,
>then you only have 98 left if you take away the 2 no code. 98 is less
>than 100 and that is a fact weather arrived at by paper and pencil,
>abacus, calculator or in your head.

Sorry, Ed, but the implication was not that the mere presense of a codeless
license increased the number of hams, but that the number of hams would
not have increased if it were not for the codeless license. That
implication is simply false, demonstrable with FCC statistics.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2046. WTB dECIBEL db224e Repeater Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Cole and Kathy <kc5swi@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34C82044.B48B8BF@flash.net>
Source record: 180871
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap

Looking for a used or reasonable priced decibel db224E OR DB228 REPEATER
TO USE WITH A 2 METER REPEATER.

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THANKS
73
coLE
KC5SWI

2047. Special Event Station

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrerlewe@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <6a911u$2ta$1@techsrv1.tech>
Source record: 180872
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.scanner,mtu.clubs.harc

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****************************************
1998 Winter Carnival Special Event Station
Using the Special Event 1x1 callsign W8C
****************************************

Operating on or near:
3.984 7.246 14.256 21.336

Thursday, 29 January 1998 11:00 UTC
Through
Saturday, 31 January 1998 11:00 UTC

The Husky Amateur Radio Club, at Michigan Technological University, will
be operating the annual Winter Carnival special event station from
Thursday, Jan. 29 until Saturday, Jan. 31.

The Husky Amateur Radio Club, W8YY has attained a special event callsign
of W8C for the Winter Carnival special event.

Certificates will be issued.

Hope to see you in the logbook!

For more info on the Husky Amateur Radio Club, visit the website at
http://w8yy.resnet.mtu.edu

or, for more information on Winter Carnival at Michigan Tech., stop by the
MTU homepage at http://www.mtu.edu

E-mail: w8yy@mtu.edu for questions/comments

TNOS/packet homepage:
http://w8yy.ampr.org

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Joseph R. Erlewein, N8OUZ. <n8ouz@qsl.net> http://radiolink.net/n8ouz
Systems Operator, Husky Amateur Radio Club - W8YY
"All puffed up with vanity, we see what we want to see,
To the beautiful and the wise, the mirror always lies..." --RUSH
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2048. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C82925.5549@ibm.net>
Source record: 180873
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

M Johnson wrote:
> If you are talking about the freebanders and the abusers of the CB band then
> they should be hunted down and shot.

Capital punishment for freebanders? When amateur radio is
outlawed, are you going to stop transmitting?

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2049. cw ruled now what?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: James Coburn <confused@primenet.com>
Message-ID: <6a9bbk$dds@nntp02.primenet.com>
Source record: 180874

Telegraph Served AP for 8 Decades

By LIBBY QUAID Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The Associated Press once had an army of 1,500 telegraphers who spread the news to the world in staccato bursts.

``There's only four of us left,'' says Aubrey Keel, whose career spanned bureaus from coast to coast and whose world was the 46 combinations of dots and dashes that made up Morse Code.

For the eight decades the news cooperative depended upon the telegraph, a good fist was in demand. His own could tap out up to 45 words a minute, the 96-year-old Keel boasted as he demonstrated his trade Wednesday as part of the AP's 150th anniversary observation at The Freedom Forum's Newseum, a museum in the Washington suburb of Arlington, Va.

From his home in Kansas City, Mo., Keel brought the tools that once ruled the business -- a vintage green Western Union telegraph like the machine he started on, and a Vibroplex ``lightning bug'' that is still made today.

Smoothly, swiftly, he flicked his wrist, and the ``dahditditdidahdahdididit'' became verse received by a retired Illinois railroad telegrapher, George Nixon, seated with his own machine in the back of the room:

``Along the smooth and slender wires, the sleepless heralds run. Fast as the clear and living rays go streaming from the sun. No pearls of flashes, heard or seen, their wondrous flight betray. And yet their words are quickly caught, in cities far away.''

Keel recalls the words flashing over the wire as the stock market crashed in 1929, and as baseball play-by-play and stock quotations flowed across. Trained telegraphers were at either end of the wire, one to translate words into dots and dashes and transmit them, the other with earphones and a typewriter at the other end to translate the dots and dashes into words.

And they had to know three ``languages'' of Morse Code; American, International and Continental (created because the space letters C, O, R, Y and Z and the long L couldn't transmit along submarine cables) as well as Phillips Code, a shorthand version of Morse.

First recruited by the railroads during a telegrapher shortage in World War I, Keel took years to develop the skill that now comes so easily.

``I don't know how else to explain it. After you do it for a while, it's like music,'' Keel said. ``It's like riding a bicycle or playing the piano. You get rusty at it, but you don't forget it.''

Fellow operators worked for railroads, post offices, pumping stations, large companies, boards of trade -- and Western Union paid extra for ``bonus'' operators who could take messages on a faster, hot wire.

But the newspaper telegraphers ``had it made,'' Keel said. When he was hired by the AP in Lubbock, Texas, Keel made $32.60 a week for 48 hours of work. The average railroad salary was about $25, he said.

Older operators had a reputation for hard living, but Keel had learned his lesson as a novice in an earlier job. It was Prohibition, and he decided to drink a bottle of home brew with his more experienced colleagues.

``I came back, and the wire started up -- I could hear it, but I couldn't get it down,'' Keel said. ``You never saw a man sober up as fast as I did.''

He remembers when the Texas AP phased in the Teletype printer in 1928, letting 30 operators go in one day. ``Someone said, `Those Teletypes will never work, they'll have us back in a week,''' Keel recalled.

But they didn't. Keel weathered the storm, eventually becoming communications chief in the Milwaukee, Des Moines and Los Angeles bureaus. He retired in 1966.

Today, he often ``talks'' to retired telegraphers transmitting via ham radio -- unless he's busy using e-mail from a home command center that includes two computers, radio gear and a digital camera and scanner. His old employer now transmits news at 9,000 words a minute.

He glanced down at his old ``green key,'' adjusting the Prince Albert tobacco can that changes the telegraph's pitch.

``It's hard to think that AP started and for 80 years, that was their means of communication. And look at what they are today,'' he said.

2050. FS: NOS 7062 (E180CC) Amperex,$4.00 each

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Harlan <sales@emodus.com>
Message-ID: <6a9bplhls1@ha1.rdc1.occa.home.com>
Source record: 180875

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2051. FS: NOS JAN 6922 (6DJ8) Philips $3.25 each

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: kevin@emodus.com
Message-ID: <6a9c11$k4e$6@ha1.rdc1.occa.home.com>
Source record: 180876

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2052. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C834D4.1E4C@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180877

Darrel Waller wrote:
>
> Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C57127.1D49@earthlink.net>...
> >
> >I do not know how to protect a radio from the emp of a nuclear blast!
> >But I am sure that there must be some information available on the net,
> >somewhere. Truth is, as maybee the lame responder did not know, it is a
> >topic a much discussion for people who build gear for the military. So
> >if the military can ask, why can't you.
> >
> >BTW, I doubt that wraping your radio with aluminum foil is the brightest
> >thing to do, but again, I am not an expert on this subject.
> >
> >Burying it will definately help, but, it is hard to used burried.
>
> I seem to have missed the original post so I'll reply here...
>
> I *do* know how to protect a radio from Nulcear EMP, the only problem is
> no-one except for the military/gov can afford it. I very much doubt that
> you can do anything with any off-the-shelf electronics other than bury it.
> I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel plate
> it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it, hope
> you never have a reason to dig it up.
>
> FYI: I worked on the systems(s) used to EMP test military avionics in situ,
> project was named 'Trestle'; good luck finding out anything else about it
> ;-).

Thanks for giving the guy a honest answer, why does argon help?

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

2053. Re: Restoreation of gel cells

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34c6a159.3530843@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 180878

On 21 Jan 1998 14:23:03 GMT, keith@NOSPAMfc.hp.com (John Keith) wrote:

>Is there any process that can be applied to gell cells to restore their
>ability to be charged and deliver that charge? I have some Gates 2V cells that
>originally showed almost no voltage after stitting on a shelf for a long
>period and while under a voltage charge they will show something around 3.5V
>but then after removing the charging voltage the voltage drops to maybe around
>0.8V. Are these cells destined for the recycle bin?
>
>
>--
>John Keith keith@fc.hp.com (remove NOSPAM from return address)

Hi John
I am no chemist on gel cells but if you use your browzer and do a
search for 'gel cells' , don't forget to use the quots since you are
dealing with more than one word, you might find some website with
information on gel cells.
I have a number of sealed lead acid cells and the various sources I
have read and/or delt with tell me that those kind of cells don't like
to be discharged or left on a shelf for any prolonged period of time.
If you have any gel cells or similar batteries might I suggest that
you periodically charge and discharge and recharge them. These type
of cells 'don't' like to be left on the shelf or left discharged. To
some degree they are opposite to nicad batteries.
larry ve3fxq

2054. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <Nrxx.240$ee.433158@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180957
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote in message <34C69401.7576@sedona.intel.com>...
>D. Townsend wrote:
>> Could it be Cecil that the decline in CW use was being discussed and lied
>> about long before the NO code liscense group even existed. Naw! that
would
>> mean we couldn't blame the poor No codes for starting this argument if
that
>> was true.
>
>The FCC was really naive about human nature back in the 50s. Hams had to
>swear that they had operated something like one hour in the past month
>or three hours in the past six months and could still operate CW at
>their licensed level. (Don't take me literally cuz I don't remember the
>exact times). But a ham couldn't renew unless he/she signed his/her name
>to those guaranteed conditions. Many, many hams who didn't even own rigs
>and had forgotten Morse code simply signed and renewed.
>--
>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

That was my point Cecil, the groundwork for the situation we are facing today in Amateur Radio was laid long before the No code liscenses even existed. I wonder if those same Amateurs that lied about using CW back then in order to keep their liscense are fighting to keep it as a requirement today. If they are then the CW requirements are exactly what many people believe they are Filters to restrict access to the HF bands. Clinging to 30 year old CW requirements and rules and regulations that are slowly strangling the ARS just doesn't make sense to many of us, who came into Amateur Radio later.

KF4HMN

2055. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c6aa55.14330351@news.total.net>
Source record: 180958
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 22 Jan 1998 01:39:57 GMT, "D. Townsend" <pog@bellsouth.net>
wrote:

>today. If they are then the CW requirements are exactly what many people
>believe they are Filters to restrict access to the HF bands. Clinging to 30

and don't forget... you are restricting access to "jerks"... need I
say more ??

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2056. Need help with VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Michael J. Smith" <mjs@now-online.com>
Message-ID: <xfzx.31$c4.648385@reader1.cleveland.iagnet.net>
Source record: 180959
Cross-posted to:
aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Can anyone help me out? I just got a used VX-1R and I am having a few problems. First the Priority Channel does not seem to work right. If I am in the Ham VHF Band and it is receiving it will not go and check the priority channel (in the ham uhf band). Do I have something set wrong? I also wanted to know If I could do a cross-band split. I just found out that there are differnt versions. I heard someone sent theirs to upgrade the CPU. Can this be done? Is here any reason to do so? Will the adams software do anything for me? This unit must have been moded. It RX's the cell band and TX's all over the place. I think it is the A102 model. Can the mods be done on the newer versions?

Can anyone help???

Mike
Please e-mail at:
mjs@now-online.com

2057. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34cab7b1.2065446@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180960

"Darrel Waller" <career_darrel@email.msn.com> wrote:

>
>I seem to have missed the original post so I'll reply here...
>
>I *do* know how to protect a radio from Nulcear EMP, the only problem is
>no-one except for the military/gov can afford it. I very much doubt that
>you can do anything with any off-the-shelf electronics other than bury it.
>I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel plate
>it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it, hope
>you never have a reason to dig it up.

A top retired Russian general admitted on 60 Minutes that 100 suitcase
1kiloton devices are NOT now uder Russian military control (he did not
say or know who has them).

2058. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34cbb85d.2237691@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180961

>>
>>
> Nuclear Blast ?!?!?!?!?!?!?!?
> Why would he wanna do that than?
> does Darrel know something we dont know - :))
>

100 1kiloton suitcase Russian devices are not now under military
control (read blackmarket potential here).

> i guess only valve sets with point to pint wiring will be useful,
> for the poor souls that live.

Many would live if only a few cities were hit.
>
> maybe, some of those'll not work either.
>- cant see many transmitters still standing / operating after a
> 200 megaton airburst either, not that there'll be an electric supply...
I am getting some emergency generators ... good for all sorts of
things, like bad weather (Canada has been out for more than one week
due to the last bad ice storm).

>
> there was a TV program about just how one 'well-placed' blast would
> bring most westernised countries to their knees.
>
It would take at least three (or more) over the main part of the USA
to do much damage.

Arafat was heard to say a few days ago that they (Palastines) would
fight over Jeuruselm for their capitol. The Christian world will never
surrender the home of christians to the Arabs. The bibble predicts
that the Battle of Armagenton will be fought over the city, and that
god would eventually intervene to save the city for Christians. If by
some chance the arabs got hold of one of those devices and destroyed
the city, I would expect Christians around the world would be so upset
that they would hunt down every arab they could find, just like the
Jews hunted down the Nazis after WWII.

>Mark
>
>
>
>
>

2059. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6a6cu1$io@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <6a3c5v$of8@news.service.uci.edu>,
> James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:

>>Probably true Michael. It's also probably true that there would be many
>>fewer hams than there are today if the codeless license had not come into
>>existence. And, there's a goodly portion of wheat among this so-called
>>"chaff".

>I disagree. Its too early to tell.

>I suspect that we will find a large number of codeless techs are not
>renewing their amateur tickets, once the initial rounds of those licenses
>come up for renewal.

On this point, Michael has some degree of historic perspective
to base his assertion on. For a 5 year period we saw NO licenses
at any level expire and the numbers of hams grew as new hams were
added, but none deleted. The nocode tech license has yet to see
even the first such license reach the 10 year renewal point.

When they do, we'll likly see an even lower set of ham numbers
than we have for the past 12 months. It will be very interesting
to watch exactly what happens.

>>Undoubtedly they
>>realized that the code was discouraging too many folks from finding out
>>what ham radio was all about, and from discovering the self-satisfying
>>pay-off amateur radio offers us.

>Maybe, but only renewal statistics will tell for sure.

On that we can agree, and time will be the final arbiter
of the statistics.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2060. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122050100.AAA13750@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180963

>
>Before we do anything to eliminate the CW requirement on hf something MUST be
>done to enforce illegal operations on the ham bands.

There is an interesting (and encouraging) article on this subject in the latest
issue of WORLD RADIO.

2061. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34c7d595.51220201@news>
Source record: 180964
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On 21 Jan 1998 19:10:19 GMT, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com (Rigley L.
Case) wrote:

>In article <34c92629.6305477@news>, orion@xyznycap.rr.com says...
>
>>> It just keeps getting worse! This nut doesn't even know that he could
>>>cause the airliner he is riding in to crash because he fouled up the
>>>glide slope indicator, low approach warning or some other avionics with
>>>a ham radio HT!!!
>>
>>In case you didn't know, masacutieboy does this alot. He posts some
>>outrageous question or statement and then sits back and watches,
>>hoping for a flame war. Best to ignor him.
>>
>>--
>>Larry Gamache N2YMJ
>>
>>To reply, remove the
>>xyz from my address.
>
>Ignore him, you say? The way you just did?
>
>**
>*Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address*
>**
>*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
>**
Go back to sleep, rigley.

--
Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, remove the
xyz from my address.

2062. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122045901.XAA13385@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180965

>
>I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
>mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
>frequency because of the mode.
>-

Bill:
The other postings are correct; CB is CB. An amateur license is not relevant.

However, I am wondering if your 23 channel CB radio has SSB, or are you going to take an amateur transmitter down there?

By the way, the SSB operators are on the upper four channels. You will not find much, if any, SSB operation on ch. 1 thru 23. You probably will annoy a bunch of folks by using it there. Just an observation.

Yrac

2063. Re: no code majority

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122052100.AAA16473@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180966

>
>>Because the vast majority can send a lot faster than they can copy. I can
>>send at 13 or better, but cannot copy faster than 9-10.

I hear this kind of comment a lot. Let me throw in an observation from having been a professional telegrapher:

A good operator takes great pride in his sending. Part of developing a "near perfect" fist is the ability to copy your own transmissions....either "real time" or via a recorder.

If you exceed your receiving speed by a significant margin, you cannot monitor your own sending to a high degree. Really smooth, accurate sending is difficult to achieve and requires a lot of practice, just like receiving.

Personally, I can copy about 45 WPM, using a typewrite or computer terminal. (Somewhat higher if I don't have to write it down). However, after more than three decades of CW experience, often at 8 hours a day for five to six days a week, I can't send clean code any faster than 30/35 WPM.

I'll be the first to admit that there is a lot of difference between commercial and Amateur CW work. For one thing, 100% accuracy seldom is a matter of life and death in Amateur work. You can miss a lot, or mangle the transmission, and no harm is done. Nevertheless, clean sending is something for which all of us should strive--even in a hobby. The ham on the other end will appreciate you, for sure! Keeping your transmitting speed in check will produce a lot of compliments from your QSOs.

Besides, if you go back to a station at 15 WPM, he will take his speed cue from you. If you copy only 10, you've got a problem.

73

2064. New Dial Scales (update)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rockseaent@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122052500.AAA17198@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180967

We have lots of reproduction dial scales for old radios... Admiral to Zenith.
If we don't have it we will make it! New this month: Lafayette JS178,
Philco 16B, Silvertone 6002 & 6262, Westinghouse WR210 & WR386, and more.
Visit our web page at: http://members.aol.com/RockSeaEnt/
or E-mail for info and price list: dials@juno.com
or just call: (805) 646-7362. Thanks, Mike

2065. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122052700.AAA17453@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180968

>
>CW as an operating mode on amateur frequencies is only a few years older (<5)
>than SSB. Thus, your claim is invalidated.
>
>

Boy, THAT'S an interesting statement. Looking back through QST, I don't see
much SSB activity in the ham bands until after WW2. Reckon what they used in
the several decades before that?

2066. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122053800.AAA10328@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180969

>
>> a couple of friends were having a contest guessing what abbreviations
>> stand for. like nbc,cbs,fox. well I asked what "ham" was.

The term "HAM" might have originated as the initials of the radio pioneers,
Hertz, Armstrong, and Marconi. A more likely explanation is that it is the
British pronounciation of the word "Amateur", or "Ams" as they once were
called.
------Clinton B. DeSoto, "200 Meters and Down"

2067. FS MFJ frequency standard

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C7850F.474D@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180970

For sale MFJ frequency standard 25, 50, 100 hz markers,very good price
can be seen at http://home.earthlink.net/~docky 73 Gary K0IMJ

2068. MFJ lowpass filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C783A6.920@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180971

For sale MFJ lowpass filter, never been opened in the box, with manual,
and invoice can be seen http://home.earthlink.net/~docky good price!

2069. Re: ALINCO DJ 180 PROBLEM >> Pleasee HELP Urgent.!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122054500.AAA11270@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180972

>
>I have obtained Alinco DJ 180 HT which is unfortunately blocked in some way
>The only thing that can be seen on the DISPLAY is: Ch and the number of the
>channel, the standard RESET procedure doesn't help.!!

Are you certain that the LOCK function is not activated? Hold down the
FUNCTION key and cycle through the LOCK positions. There are three. You will
see them flash in the lower corner of the display. When the symbols disappear,
it is unlocked.

2070. FS VLF converter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34C7863F.4EA2@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180973

For sale Palomar Engineers VLF converter...very good price listen to 10 to 500 khz with your receiver...can be seen at http://home.earthlink.net/~docky 73 Gary K0IMJ

2071. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C6E0B6.43A@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180974

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <19980121061700.BAA10310@ladder01.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com
> (RCrusoe) writes:
>
> >To mandate that Novices and Techs be represented by others in their
> >license
> class while other classes are represented by their peers is unfair to
> >THEM...(
> the Novs and Techs)...

snip .....

...Novices and Techs be represented by others in their license class...
Which happens to be thier peers.

while other classes are represented by their peers is unfair to
THEM...(the Novs and Techs)...

Did I read this right ?

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

2072. Re: Wanted: TICKLISH GUYS - Diversity Perversity?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C6E179.EDC@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180975
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Anonymous .. Have you been sniffing ozone again ?

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

Anonymous wrote:
>
> In article <01bd2216$0e3ac780$cb8a92d0@bitnet.bit-net.com>, "DavidC"
> <davidc@bit-net.com> wrote:
>
> :Is this sick person back again? :-(Can't some of this garbage be
> :automatically be filtered out of the newsgroups? DavidC
>
> Most people consider ham radio operators to be wierd geeks, so I'm not sure
> we have much of a ticklish thigh to stand on. On the Simpsons, Aunt Thelma
> is a ham :)

2073. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122070701.CAA19924@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180976

No more divisive than the Morse code battle, which has clearly polarized amateurs into competing groups of "us vs them."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>

What battle is that? I am not aware of one. We have plenty of activities for both CW buffs like myself, and for those who don't care for it. There's room for any ham of any level of skill, knowledge, or equipment budget on the bands.

By the way, I have only been active on the internet a few weeks, but I have noticed a lot of ham and CW related posts from you, and I was curious whether you are a ham or not; and of not, exactly what your concern is all about. I'm not saying non-hams shouldn't post here... far from it. I just don't understand why a non-ham would bother heckling the CW community, nor why he would bother trying to fan the very flames of controversy he complains about. I probably missed something important that was discussed before I found these ngs, and would appreciate being brought up to speed.

If you actually are a ham, why don't you sign with your call? Most every other ham here does, if it is not included in their screen name or e-mail address. Seems like a nice courtesy on such a ham-oriented ng. Kind of a unifying thing.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2074. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122073001.CAA00257@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180977

Did I read this right ?

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

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Yes, I think you did, Curtis, though I am unsure whether you got the point or not. The point is that to separate Novs and Techs from mainstream amateur radio and to require that they be represented separately and only by others of their license class would, IN GENERAL, ensure that they are not represented by as knowledgeable a group of leaders as would be found in Amateur radio when taken as a whole, and divide our ranks needlessly. Zeroing on two snips and diplaying them out of context, then remarking on the then apparent incongruity does indeed make one question whether he read correctly, and it SHOULD beg the question.

I realize that there are indeed some no-code techs out there who have dealt with CCRs, zoning ordinances, Interference complaints, etc, and given good account of themselves. I understand that many new hams are active in public service activities on the air, and many have great technical skills and are generally very considerate ops. I know that some techs out there have operated in every legal mode that we have, with equipment that they built themselves. Generally, though, limiting an office to one class of licensee will be detrimental to having a well-rounded and capable individual in office. (If you take the above statement out of context, please include the qualifier "generally" in the snip, as I know quite well that the statement is incorrect without it.)

I stand by my premise that it is folly to divide hams up into their license categories and mandate different qualificaton levels to their representatives. I see no purpose served but a fair amount of potential harm.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2075. Re: The League *is* amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122074401.CAA22521@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180978

>No more divisive than the Morse code battle, which has clearly polarized
>amateurs into competing groups of "us vs them."
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
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>
>What battle is that? I am not aware of one.

Read this newsgroup lately? The lines are clearly drawn. You'll also hear it on your local repeaters. Coders vs no-coders, older hams who "refuse to talk to no-coders", etc. On HF, the insulting comments directed towards technicians is even worse.

>
>By the way, I have only been active on the internet a few weeks, but I have
>noticed a lot of ham and CW related posts from you, and I was curious whether
>you are a ham or not; and of not, exactly what your concern is all about.

Yes, I hold a valid amateur radio license with HF privileges. No, I am not an active ham. I was bored to tears by most of the drivel I heard on the bands. The Internet is much more effective, modern, and entertaining as a communications hobby.

>I'm
>not saying non-hams shouldn't post here... far from it. I just don't
>understand why a non-ham would bother heckling the CW community, nor why he
>would bother trying to fan the very flames of controversy he complains about.
>
>I probably missed something important that was discussed before I found these
>ngs, and would appreciate being brought up to speed.
>
>If you actually are a ham, why don't you sign with your call? Most every
>other
>ham here does, if it is not included in their screen name or e-mail address.
>Seems like a nice courtesy on such a ham-oriented ng. Kind of a unifying
>thing.

Not a wise move with this bunch. There have been several instances of harrassment directed towards various participants of the radio newsgroups in the past by those who hold differing opinions. Witness the endless flamefest with Bill Cheek, John Mackey, and friends on rec.radio.scanner. It's much safer to remain anonymous...and it's perfectly acceptable to do so. No license or callsign is required to participate on USENET.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2076. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: Piotr Tomczak <pito@nera.no>
Message-ID: <34C701F7.34CC81E0@nera.no>
Source record: 180979
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Gary Coffman wrote:

> Any cellular phone sold in the US has to meet the same spectral
> purity requirements as VHF or UHF conventional transceivers.
> They are *not* dirtier than a HT. The reason the FCC bans their
> use in an aircraft is that they would be heard in too many cells,
> causing massive interference to the cellular system on the
> ground. The ban has nothing to do with interfering with aircraft
> systems.
>
> Cellular systems practice spectral reuse, IE the same frequency
> is used over and over by physically separated cells. This works
> well when the cellphone is on the ground because only the cell that
> it is in, and the immediately adjacent cells, can hear it. Frequencies
>
> are assigned to cells in a pattern which takes this into
> consideration.
>
> But if you take a cellphone up in an aircraft, it becomes line of
> sight to
> hundreds of cells. Many of those cells will be using the frequency of
> the phone to talk to other phones. So all but one of the cells will
> suffer
> interference (only one cell can be talking to a given phone at a
> time).
> *That's* why the FCC bans cellphone use in aircraft.

Well that is tru that you can 'prop' the system but the avionics has
nothing,with it, unless they are forced by others to do so.

>
>
> As far as causing interference to aircraft radios and other avionics,
> the ordinary North American analog cellphone isn't a big concern
> because its operating power is low and the frequencies it uses are
> far removed from aircraft frequencies.

I Europe we use GSM cellular system and its spectral is not niceinspite
of what some authoriteis say.
Even if they are below some limits they send more rubish
the an HT. It is a difference to be close to limit at one
harmonic freq and on 2000 freq. Some 'junk' made electronics
do not like that. The planes are not usually junk
but one must be very careful with them anyway.

> In some newer aircraft, there is a third concern. Newer aircraft are
> adopting fly by wire control systems. If these are confused by
> interference,
> control authority is totally lost, IE the aircraft can wing over and
> dive into
> the ground without the pilot being able to do anything about it.
> Operating
> unauthorized electronics of any sort on an aircraft is not just
> stupid, it is
> criminally stupid.

The Boeing 777 can handle this but not the AirBus. Why???Well the Boeing
took in use 'flight by wire' later then the AirBus
did and learned on some problems the AirBus had on landing
apraoch in some cases. Not officaial

The 777 has a PFC disconnect switch which goes directly to
ACEs (Actuator Control Electronic) and the pilot
can overide the system in emergancy sistuations
by disconnecting the PFCs(Primary Flight
Computers).
(Best to not to test this functionality buy using
an HT or a Cell Phone...)
The 777 PFC has 9 microcontrollers geathered
in three groups placed in different places on the
plane. In each group there are 3 microcontrolers
which are from three different suppliers
running the same software compiled using
three different compiler vendors.
And you only need one controller to fly.
But you need two or three to take off.
Only one controller is a master at a
moment and alle the others check him.
If he does do stupid things he gets killed
by his brothers. (Nice system why
politicions do not have the same...)
and a new master taks over.Which one?
does not metter they do not get paid
for the job.

All PFC are bound togather with each other
and the rest with a triple ARINC 629
communication bus which run through different parts of
the plane.

too much are-plane stuff, i go back to radio.

Piotr

2077. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122081501.DAA24374@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180980

>>
Greetings- I was going to look in the rec.radio.amateur FAQs, but thought I'd ask for anybody's personal experience on this.

I was wondering how long it took from the time I passed my tech exam, to the time my name and new call sign would be posted in the FCC database. I took the test this past Sunday 1/18 in Yonkers, New York. Monday was a holiday, so I suspect the FCC offices were closed.

In addition, are there any recommendations on a dual band HT for a first-timer?

Thanks for any info!
Alan Kaufman

>>

I bet it's there today or tomorrow at the latest if the VE team is on the ball. I like the new system... I was sure anxious waiting for my first license. I already had a station... a Radio Shack receiver and a two transistor transmitter cookbook homebrewed from one of Doug Demaw's books. T/R switching via alligator clips. I was ready to go on the air, and I couldn't cuz I had to wait for that stinkin license, and mail delivery and forwarding was touch and go as I was at sea.

In answer to your request for suggestions on a HT, it is hard to really make a recommendation without knowing what activities you want to try, what size is acceptable, whether there are repeaters nearby, what your budget looks like, whether there is a ham radio shop close by, whether you are willing do deal through the mail, etc. I have a HTX-202 which though fairly bulky, can be used split, with PL/CTSS, has pretty fair memory features, didn't cost an arm and a leg, and I could buy it at the nearest mall. Like most HTs, it doesn't do CW. Output varies with the DC power source... I think 7 watts max with 13,8 VDC. Battery pack gives a bit less.

Most serious VHFers will find a LOT lacking in this HT, but since I wasn't really certain I would use VHF very much, and since that actually proved to be the case, I am glad that I bought an inexpensive rig that is recognizeable enough to sell easily should I decide to part with it. Had I gotten bit by the FM bug, I would probably have upgraded post haste to a nice shirt-pocket-size dual-bander or a powerful base set that does everything but tell me what to say and who to talk to, and I would have possibly regretted somewhat my choice for my first VHF rig.

A good approach is to read the ads in the ham mags for all the current products and ask for personal opinions on the ones that seem to be what you're looking for. That way, you will get more speciific information from owners both satisfied and not, of specific rigs.

Congragulations on passing, by the way! That should have been the first thingI mentioned.

Have you gotten involved with your local ham club? The OMs there might prove a valuable source of info, not to mention a source of used gear. Seems like the clubs are really big on VHF/UHF lately as no-code Techs make their presence felt in the ham community. HT users and V/UHF mobileers are, as a whole, more club oriented since this makes it easier to share the costs of building and maintaining a repeater. You will probably find other new hams with your interests, questions, and concerns, along with the OMs who have been there/done that and are ready to share what they have learned.

Good luck with your HT shopping, Alan

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2078. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a6h7u$shd@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180981
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <Nrxx.240$ee.433158@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>,
> Clinging to 30
>year old CW requirements and rules and regulations that are slowly
>strangling the ARS just doesn't make sense to many of us, who came into
>Amateur Radio later.

Could you be more specific as to how the ARS is being "strangled"?

Jeff KH2PZ

2079. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: ritzman@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980122114301.GAA29053@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180982

Dear Alan:

Congratulations on your exam. Like you I recently passed my test (January 11th) and I found it took about ten days for the database to show my callsign. It seems that the FCC database posting is a little irregular with little or no activity somedays, quite a bit on others. In any event you should have a call sign within the next few days!

Regarding your first rig, I went with a Radio Shack HTX 202 handheld. I based my decision on several factors,
1. Simplicity. The 202 has good basic features without going overboard. The last thing I wanted was to be mired in complicated programming just to get on the air.
2. Construction. The 202 is built like a tank. Very heavy chassis, solid controls, etc.
3. Good reputation. A search of Dejanews revealed that the radio has a pretty good operational history and is highly regarded by most hams as a simple utility HT.
4. Availibiltiy & Return Policy. RS has a 30 cash back return policy which allowed me to purchase the radio and try it out to see if it really met my needs. In addition, the store is right down the street if I ever need service or to swap out the unit.

So far I love the rig, I have had very good success with all our local repeaters using only the supplied rubber duck antenna. Last night I built a simple 1/4 ground plane from a chassis mount VHF connector (SO-239?) and the range is extremely good. I am able to solidly hit a repeater some 25 mile away using about 4 watts of output. The only complaint I have is that the documentation supplied with the radio is terrible. You'll need to spend few minutes interpreting the manual before you're completely up and running.

The bottom line, I recommend the radio highly as a first rig. Also, there are a ton of them out there for sale used for anywhere from a $100 on up if you want to save a few dollars.

Alan if you have any questions feel free to drop me a line. Welcome to the hobby, I hope you enjoy it as much as I have!

73,
Steve Ritzi - KB1CHS
Portland, Maine
Just out here
having a good time.

2080. Re: Hamfests

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@REMOVETHIS.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34c73a69.4352029@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 180983
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

On 21 Jan 1998 08:15:15 GMT, "KD5BAY" <KD5BAY@earthling.net> wrote:

>I Have Started A List Of Hamfest In The Texas & Surrounding Area They Are
>Posted On My Home Page Calender Of Events Anyone With Hamfest In The Texas
>Or Surrounding Area Info Please Forward To Me So That I Can Add The Event
>To My Calender. This Will Soon Be A Place To Check For Upcoming Events.
>KD5BAY@earthling.net
>http://home.att.net/~gregg.e/index.html

Gregg, I think it would help if you put a hyper-link or button at the
top of the page where you mention the Calender!

73 - Bry

2081. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-22 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34C742DB.9A9@ibm.net>
Source record: 180984
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Curtis M LaFon wrote:
> There may have been some, who is to say, that lied about it,
> but the fact that one could be spot checked seems it would
> have precluded large numbers of Hams from lying.

Hi Curtis, when the penality for doing something right and doing something wrong are exactly the same, there is incentive to do the something wrong and hope one doesn't get caught. Like the Morse code testing requirement of today, it was an unnecessary federal governmental regulation. That it was unnecessary and unimportant is proven by the fact that it doesn't exist now. There has been a law against murder ever since laws existed and there still is. ARS regulations come and go according to the whims of the FCC/ARRL. Why do you suppose there are no extra-only phone privileges on 40m?

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2082. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34C95E30.6C5F@no.net>
Source record: 180735

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <6aaq3k$iua@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>,
> cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us (Carl Gibbs) writes:
>
> >you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
> each
> >other on the air.
>
> Funny. I hear this exact phenomenon you describe on the 75m ham band. Much
> more so than on CB, in fact.
>

You hear it on a few select frequencies amoung many different amateur
bands, I can tune to any cb channel and hear it.

2083. Re: Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "J. Andy Thompson" <jat@wolfenet.com>
Message-ID: <34C94A01.31FD2A58@wolfenet.com>
Source record: 180736

Jeremy,

Several years back the First Class license was combined with the Second Class license, and called the General Radiotelephone license. I had a First Phone, and now have a lifetime General Radiotelephone license. I believe that is what you are looking to get. I got my First Phone back in early 1959, so I don't know where to get schooling, but there should be study books available, and in electronic magazines, look for ads for schooling.

I used mine in the broadcast field, but it isn't required now. Anyone with a restricted permit
can call themselves a "Chief" engineer. That's why I went into real estate.

Andy

--
J. Andy Thompson
W7CXA Extra Class
Yakima, Washington
jat@wolfenet.com

2084. Re: !!!! RADIO REVIEWS FT-50,VX1R,TH79,THG71

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Crocker <billc@rust.net>
Message-ID: <6abl82$fb4$1@news9.ispnews.com>
Source record: 180737

Mike:

Your site is "out of site"???

Bill Crocker

Mike wrote in message <6a92o7$of7@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
>see:
>
>www.mariat.net/real.html
>
>
>

2085. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34C8E405.4BA4@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 180738

MailfrmPA wrote:
The new Tech typically
> doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and "gentleman's
> agreements?"
>
> Kï¿½MB
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Ideally, he/she would learn of the voluntary band plans from the
instructors and/or the books used to study for the tech exam. IMHO, any
new amateur who doesn't learn of voluntary band plans by independent
means is not very interested in the amateur radio service

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

2086. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrel Waller <career_darrel@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <OaTgI9HK9GA.200@upnetnews04>
Source record: 180739

N8BLK wrote in message <19980124031801.WAA08768@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>
>It should be noted that tube equipment is supposed to be less
>susceptible to EMP damage, so everyone better get a spare
>HW101 or other easily obtainable but usable tube rig, that's
>also easy to repair. Of course, I have to be serious now, and wonder
>just who will be around to work after a large strike, but I don't know
>everything!

Absolutely true. The MIGs up through the 25s had all their avionics built
with tubes. There were 2 schools of thought on this point:

1) The Russians are dumber than us and can't make/don't have the solid state
stuff

2) The Russians are smarter than us cuz they'll have planes in the air when
all our planes have crashed

Not that having planes in the air would do *anyone* any good after a massive
exchange involving ~28,000 warheads with yields of 500 Ktons and up......

Darrel
KC7ZCA
Tripoli 4627 L2
http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/4545

2087. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6abq00$2qm$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180740

In article <6aarrs$l3i@news.Hawaii.Edu>,
Jeffrey Herman <jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu> wrote:

>Why not make up characters to indicate upper-case and lower-case, et
>cetera, and submit them to the ITU, to be appended to the Morse code?
>You can call them the Flack addendums - you might become famous.

And, if you get a pink-slip for not using them while on-the-air, you
can be said to be "catching some flack"?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2088. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34C969B8.1B33@icss.net>
Source record: 180741
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Wayne wrote:
>
> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> >
> > X-No-Archive: yes
> >
> > >>J M Noeding wrote:
> > >>>
> > >>> On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
> > >>> wrote:
> > >>>
> > >>> >Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
> > >>> >CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the
> > other
> > >>> >way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW
> > op. but
> > >>> >why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment
> > appears
> > >>> >here and there?
> > >>> >I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me
> > alone
> > >>> >and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
> > >
> > Although I realize this is as much an emotional issue as a technical
> > one, I think you are missing the point here.
> >
> > Nobody would argue that CW was first, nor that it should not be allowed
> > anywhere on the bands... this is how it should be and I personally have
> > benefitted from this at times. During the 43 years I have been
> > licensed I have done my share of brass pounding and have enjoyed it.
> >
> > The problem is IMHO, the requirement of CW profficiency is strangling
> > the hobby and as each older 'CW capable' ham becomes a Silent Key, the
> > ranks grow thinner.
> >
> > Politicians only understand one thing... raw numbers of voters. As the
> > ham ranks shrink, because young people are not interested in learning
> > skills that are at the very least archaic, we grow weaker in the eyes
> > of those in Washington who would be only too happy to sell our
> > frequencies to their telecommunications buddies that have bought and
> > paid for them and have already taken the ability to LISTEN to portions
> > of the RF spectrum away from regular, tax paying, law abiding
> > Americans.

> >
> > The hobby is sick, perhaps even nearly terminal, and personally I see
> > deleting the code requirement from all classes of license except
> > perhaps Extra Class as the only way the hobby will continue to live
> > even if it never gets healthy again.
> >
> > In a world of the Internet, with world-wide dependable communications
> > available at the touch of any keyboard that is connected to a computer
> > with a modem and an ISP, it seems to me there is very little, if any,
> > justification to require an ability to handle CW.
> >
> > This is not to say that CW should be banned from the airwaves. There
> > are many devotees of CW and they have their place just as much as those
> > who live for Satellite communications or packet or SSTV or DX or
> > Experimenting... this is, after-all, just a hobby and there are many
> > fascets to that hobby.
> >
> > The concern is, one aspect of the hobby is the 'tail wagging the dog'.
> > If CW profficiency is to be required as a pre-requisite to enjoying the
> > hobby of Amateur Radio, then an equal profficiency should be
> > demonstrated by having a typing speed of, say, 80 WPM or a
> > demonstratable knowledge of Meterology, or a proven ability with the
> > intricacies of Radio Astronomy!
> >
> > As a long time Ham, it concerns me that the hobby I have known and
> > enjoyed for most of my lifetime could become a thing of the past
> > because of the dogmatic requirement that a neophite in the hobby must
> > learn to use an archaic form of communications. One only has to look
> > at the numbers to see the hobby is aging and few young people are
> > interested in joining the ranks. Unless some common sense prevails and
> > I would have to guess, it should be soon... the hobby of Amateur Radio,
> > at least in America, could easily go the way of other fraternal
> > organizations... When was the last time you heard of an "Odd Fellows"
> > lodge?
> >
> > Michelle Hunt
> > W0YMW
> > Amateur Advanced
> > Michell5@ix.netcom.com
> >
> > The problem
>
> Are we sure young people won't enjoy code? I started at an age of 13
> because code was fun. Maybe code should be advertised to the young as
> one of the "fun" aspects of the hobby.
>
> Just a different twist to the saga.....
>
> Wayne KC8Q

Wayne, its not saga, its Sega. Sega is a video game. You can rent the cartridges at Block Buster Video. They're not interested in beep beep beep when they can play Sega. If you had Sega when you were 13, you wouldn't be a ham today.
73, Brian/N0iMD

2089. Looking for a good HF wire antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "M. Neiner" <m9er@soundcom.net>
Message-ID: <6abr8k$8am$1@usenet51.supernews.com>
Source record: 180742

I live in a one story house and would like to run a wire antenna between the eve of my house and a decent size tree on my lot. I was hoping that there exists a good design which would allow me to end feed the antenna from my house vice the middle (in the case of a dipole). A straight long wire is out of the question because I don't think I could provide it a good enough ground. I've heard of a design called the Zepplin. Any suggestions on Web sites or designs. 10 meters opened up the other day and on a cheesy homebrew dipole I got out to Texas and Oklahoma from the state of Washington.

Mike
KC7MAW

2090. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave or Debby <truth@planetc.com>
Message-ID: <34C97135.1537@planetc.com>
Source record: 180743
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Phil Heaton wrote:
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> ----------
> / INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
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>
> A new ARRL Director who has vowed to take hams who use indecent
> language off the amateur bands says that he wants tape recordings of
> alleged offenders sent directly to him. Joe Falcone, N8TI says that he
> will use the recordings as proof to the FCC that the problem is
> nationwide in scope.
>
> Specifically, N8TI is looking for good quality off-air cassette tape
> recordings that clearly demonstrate that a violation has taken place.
> The
> audio quality must be good enough so that anyone hearing the tape will
> recognize the language being used without the need to replay it a second
> or third time. This means using a direct connection to your transceiver
> or receiver.
>
> Also, make certain to label the tape with the alleged offender's
> name. Include the location the transmission was recorded, the operating
> frequency of the station, the date, time of day and the name of the
> person who recorded it.
>
> Send these tapes to :
> Joe Falcone, N8TI
> 9614 Arden Ave.
> Livonia, Michigan 48150
>
> ---End forwarded message---
>
> <wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.
>
> Phil
> ---
> Phil Heaton
> ke4krt@mindspring.com
> http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt
PHIL:
How will CB follow? What Megacycle is 75 meters? I
can't remember now--I'm too tired!!! Dave

2091. Re: Need help with Yaesu FT-101EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "M. Neiner" <m9er@soundcom.net>
Message-ID: <6ac1id$90s$1@usenet76.supernews.com>
Source record: 180744

Check out http://www.qsl.net/nw2m/ft101.html
If the info is not on the page, I'm betting the guy who wrote the page can be of some help. Just send him an email. Excellent page though. I have an FT-101 and he helped me out as well.

KC7MAW

mjohn6@ix.netcom.com wrote in message
<34c96778.13409828@nntp.ix.netcom.com>...
>I have a Yaesu 101EX that has not been used for sixteen years (other
>than as a receiver for the past year). I just became a Tech Plus and
>tuned the rig per. the manual for 10m and can only get it to trans. at
>nine watts. I had a ham friend tune it on 80m and the output was 120
>watts.
>
>Can anyone give me some idea what may be the problem? Any info would
>be appreciated.
>
>DE KF4HFG (Mark)
>mjohn6@ix.netcom.com

2092. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future --- I doubt it.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6ac7tn$f6@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 180745
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com (Rigley L. Case) wrote:

>**
>*Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address*
>**
>*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
>**

No balls required either, just a keyboard.....

73, Jim KH2D

2093. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: me@nojunk.net
Message-ID: <6ac8r9$fnf@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180746
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Lid!

2094. 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34C90D99.2C6425B7@mindspring.com>
Source record: 180747
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

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/ INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
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Also, make certain to label the tape with the alleged offender's name. Include the location the transmission was recorded, the operating frequency of the station, the date, time of day and the name of the person who recorded it.

Send these tapes to :
Joe Falcone, N8TI
9614 Arden Ave.
Livonia, Michigan 48150

---End forwarded message---

<wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.

Phil

Phil Heaton
ke4krt@mindspring.com
http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

2095. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6ab2adbip2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180748
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> wrote:

> >Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find
> >any Lids there?

Occasionally one can be found, but that is mostly rarely on CW in the CW
portion of the band and due to lack of experience and not bad manners.

> > Sure there are bad ops on hf.

Sure... Lots on voice in my findings ---- few on CW likewise.

> > But most of them are on phone not CW.

> how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
> feeling against others by the use of CW.

Well, if you KNOW CW, it is not a problem. There are folks that can
rustle up a storm o' #$%&@ swearin' like the bosun in a heavy sea.
But, RARELY, do they swear in vain on the air. In 30 years, I have
only heard one or two cuss like the bosun, and that only for
conversational emphasis.

Also, there is more feeling transmitted via CW than you could ever
imagine. You only need to know and feel the nuances of the operator's
sending to read him like a book. A little of that is lost in the use
of keyers, and most of that is lost in the use of keyboards. But, any
CWist with some time under his belt, can read you like a book. You don't
even need to know a callsign, and you can often tell who the other end
is, merely by the nuances of his code. You can tell what kind of day
he has had, and probably if he has had too much coffee, or a little
too much rum, or the arthritis is settin' in if he is a grand OT.
You just have to learn the art and craft a little to be able to do that.
One has to put in a little time-in-grade to accomplish it. You know,
``the old fashioned way''.

stuff deleted......

> trusting that CW cleans up the jerks is the problem.

Actually, it does. The jerks that don't know CW (OK they all passed some
sort of silly test sometime back in the dark ages), i.e., those that are
proficient to any degree are almost always the non-jerks. Go figure....
that CW filter is working fine..... all the jerks are up on fone.

(I know, that is a tad of bias, but, it HAS been my experiences in 30 yrs.)

As T.O.M. was wont to say.....``enuf said''.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob

2096. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123220100.RAA16717@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180749

>
>What is the derivation of the use of "lid" as a derogatory term?
>I know what it means, I just want to know how/when it got started.
>
>

Probably referred to someone who sounded like he wasn't using a real telegraph key....just made it out of scrap parts.

Trivia: On commercial circuits, the insult was delivered by sending a long, drawn out comma.
DAH DAH DITTY DAH DAH

I've heard that start a fight on 500 KHz many times!!!!!

Yrac

2097. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: donrm@sr.hp.com
Message-ID: <6ab2ef$7cv@canyon.sr.hp.com>
Source record: 180750

Gary Hoffman (gary@carcs3.wustl.edu) wrote:
> What is the derivation of the use of "lid" as a derogatory term?
> I know what it means, I just want to know how/when it got started.

I believe the standard explanations is that in the days of real
"Morse" when they used clickety-clack sounders on landlines, a
green or poor operator placed his "receiver" on a metal tobacco can
with the lid open so he could distinguish his sounder from those
others operating closeby. Hence, the word "lid".

Any other stories?

73 Don K6LTS
donrm@sr.hp.com

2098. Re: cw ruled now what?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123221000.RAA19283@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180751

>That is a neat story. I have talked to several older hams in the
>dallas/ft worth area who were on ship in ww2. They copied better
>than 50wpm for their whole shift <4on4off> These guys know code!!!!
>It is sad to see the backup comm of the world fail to progress. I must
>admit when I first started cw I hated it, now I only dislike it and do
>use it occasionally.....but when ssb just cannot get it cw will be
>right in there trudgeing away
>
Your comments are interesting. Back in the 60's and 70's, I was one of the youngest commercial operators in the US. I pounded brass for ITT on ship-to-shore circuits, and it probably was the best job I ever had--from an enjoyment standpoint, as well as salary.

I hate to see it going away---primarily because I think modern communications (satellite, internet) are very "thin" and could be disrupted quite easily. The movie, Fourth of July, played on this idea, with a ham operator using Morse Code sending vital info after every other system "went down".

Yrac

2099. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: robbie <robnjuli@netins.net>
Message-ID: <01bd284d$4bbfdd60$570a8ea7@robnjuli.netins.net>
Source record: 180752

here in iowa they still use 16 for weekly meeting or contacts what ever you
want to call it .

marc_k <marc_k@walrus.com> wrote in article
<6a8qui$mp7$1@alice.walrus.com>...
> Yrac (yrac@aol.com) wrote:
> : >
> : >I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal
AM
> : >mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
> : >frequency because of the mode.
> : >-
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> : Bill:
> : The other postings are correct; CB is CB. An amateur license is not
relevant.
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> : However, I am wondering if your 23 channel CB radio has SSB, or are you
going
> : to take an amateur transmitter down there?
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> : By the way, the SSB operators are on the upper four channels. You will
not find
> : much, if any, SSB operation on ch. 1 thru 23. You probably will annoy a
bunch
> : of folks by using it there. Just an observation.
>
> : Yrac
>
> Actually, the SSB channel on the old 23 Channel band was channel 16-I'm
> rather sure that at least some SSB operations still occur there.
>
>

2100. Re: Morse Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Sands.no@spam.nhb.com
Message-ID: <6ab4o1$363$1@goblin.uunet.ca>
Source record: 180753

Peter Winters & Bob Carter <pwinters@isd.net> wrote:

Try: http://crick.com/hamu/index.html

Chris

>jon wrote:
>>
>> Has anyone got a morse code program which uses the sound card rather
>> than the internal speaker as this always seems to be too quiet. If
>> the sound card was used I would be able to use headphones and have no
>> distractions.
>> Please Email direct to: jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk
>> Or post to this news group.
>>
>> Thank You
>>
>> 73s Jon

2101. 6 meter nets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: angus <sbdesign@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6ab6e9$85o@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180754

anyone know of any 6 meter nets????--
CQ CQ CQ DX CQ DX

2102. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: holford@cnwl.igs.net.nospam
Message-ID: <6ab62m$i4c$1@news.igs.net>
Source record: 180755

>> >
>> >I do not know how to protect a radio from the emp of a nuclear blast!
>> >But I am sure that there must be some information available on the net,
>> >somewhere. Truth is, as maybee the lame responder did not know, it is a
>> >topic a much discussion for people who build gear for the military. So
>> >if the military can ask, why can't you.
>> >
>> >BTW, I doubt that wraping your radio with aluminum foil is the brightest
>> >thing to do, but again, I am not an expert on this subject.
>> >
>> >Burying it will definately help, but, it is hard to used burried.
>>
>> I seem to have missed the original post so I'll reply here...
>>
>> I *do* know how to protect a radio from Nulcear EMP, the only problem is
>> no-one except for the military/gov can afford it. I very much doubt that
>> you can do anything with any off-the-shelf electronics other than bury it.
>> I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel plate
>> it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it,
hope
>> you never have a reason to dig it up.
>>
>> FYI: I worked on the systems(s) used to EMP test military avionics in situ,
>> project was named 'Trestle'; good luck finding out anything else about it
>> ;-).
>

QST magazine ran several articles on this subject, back when hobby folks worried about it. I have no idea when, but I would guess about a quarter century ago. I think it was QST but could have been 73.

Project "Trestle" was extensively written up in several aviation and electronics publications in the same time frame. Most were professional pubs, but I seem to recall at least one of the popular science/mechanics mags doing a pretty thorough description. I even had a photo of the trestle lying around here for some years - but it's long gone now.

--
Dave Holford.

2103. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aarrs$l3i@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180756

Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com> wrote:
> I think you are missing the real point. Morse code is a flawed code. No
> upper and lower case, no curly braces, etc., etc.

Why not make up characters to indicate upper-case and lower-case, et
cetera, and submit them to the ITU, to be appended to the Morse code?
You can call them the Flack addendums - you might become famous.
Jeff KH2PZ

2104. Re: Liberty Net (so ban phone below 30 MHz)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aas4m$l4t@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180757

N9VJG <n9vjg@aol.com> wrote:
>Okay, okay. The bands are slightly full of scum bags. 75 meters is full of
>jammers and ignorant fools. You can't defend that cesspool. The Liberty Net is
>just the tip of the iceberg and it gets worse as you move that dial.

But it gets better as you move the dial *down* to 80m. Try it if you don't
believe me.
Jeff KH2PZ

2105. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123231501.SAA29585@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180758

>Basically, the band plans are a gentleman's agreement.

>Apparently, people don't want to act in a gentlemanly way.

I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech typically doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and "gentleman's agreements?"

KMB

2106. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C91F4B.EF0@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I am "someone".
Cutie Boy you mean there are no real time programs out there ?
I would think that anyone who can glance at a list of code symbols
and then go pass a 5 WPM code test could whip out such a program
in a day or two.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq
Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 17:40:04 GMT, billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl)
> wrote:
>
> >
> >>someone wrote:
> >>The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
> >>(for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
> >>language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
> >>use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.
> >
> >There are? Please direct us to any of those translation
> >programs that can easily and in real time translate Spanish,
> >French, or any other language into English and also
> >do English to that other language.
>
> go to Altavista.com
>

2107. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
Message-ID: <d0a_9801230700@warpgate.com>
Source record: 180760

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Y> >CW as an operating mode on amateur frequencies is only a few years older (<
Y> >than SSB. Thus, your claim is invalidated.
Y> >
Y> >
Y>
Y> Boy, THAT'S an interesting statement. Looking back through QST, I don't see
Y> much SSB activity in the ham bands until after WW2. Reckon what they used i
Y> the several decades before that?

DSB(Double Side Band). But the Principle of SSB suprerssed carrier is almsot
as old as CW. It just didn't come into widespread use becasue DSB(AM to the
Unknowing) was easier and cheaper.
--
|WarpGate: Tom Walker 52:1000/211
|Internet: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
| The WarpGate Network Internet Gateway El Cajon, CA.
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2108. Re: Selling Radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
Message-ID: <d0b_9801230700@warpgate.com>
Source record: 180761

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JS> From: John Spooner <wedding@verinet.com>
JS>
JS> Can someone direct me to a group where I can post a radio for sale?

How ahout the HAM Sale Echo? There is one.
--
|WarpGate: Tom Walker 52:1000/211
|Internet: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
| The WarpGate Network Internet Gateway El Cajon, CA.
```

2109. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
Message-ID: <d09_9801230700@warpgate.com>
Source record: 180762

A> I was wondering how long it took from the time I passed my tech exam, to the
A> time my name and new call sign would be posted in the FCC database. I took t
A> test this past Sunday 1/18 in Yonkers, New York. Monday was a holiday, so I
A> suspect the FCC offices were closed.

If your VEC submitted it by Modem 1 or 2 days, Excluding Weekends and
Holidays.

A> In addition, are there any recommendations on a dual band HT for a first-tim

The BEST one you can afford. All the Major brands are about equal. And since
each is intersted in differnt features, The Reason for the Variety, it is hard
fing one model that fits all. Another thought woulf to buy a fairlly
inexpensiave unit untill you get yuor feet on the ground and then decide what
is important to You!
--
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2110. ADMS for FT50R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Cl&#65533;udio V Plenamente <plenamente@pro.via-rs.com.br>
Message-ID: <6ahe2g$ssg30@omega.procergs.com.br>
Source record: 180763
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi,
I'm having dificulty in find a place to buy the kit for programming the
yaesu radio FT 50R, and i've got the software but don't have the diagram to
build the interface (eletronic circuit and conectors).
Does anybody knows where i can find it?
thanks,
Cl&#65533;udio

2111. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123004601.TAA28390@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180879

In article <01bd25b9$e1495960$4ff833cf@default>, "ghebb" <ghebb@ivic.net>
writes:

>> Answer 2: Helplessly Antiquated Members
I am a "Happy Antiquated
>Member"
and I have a REAL name and CALL sign

Which is totally irrelevant with regards to posting on USENET.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2112. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123004601.TAA29869@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180880

In article <34C4AAC2.488885E6@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>The FTC who makes sure that when you get a home
mortgage you don't get a 32%
>interest loan without having it spelled out in a truth
and lending statement.

If someone is too stupid to read and understand the Truth In Lending statement, they deserve to be socked with a 32% rate. Basic comprehension. The government does not need to engage in hand-holding. Of course, with the dumbed-down schools in this country turning out high-school "graduates" who cannot read a simple sentence, I suppose it's necessary for the government to take care of them.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2113. Re: Improving cordless phone reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c7e903.1947445@news.total.net>
Source record: 180881
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On 22 Jan 1998 22:29:05 GMT, yrac@aol.com (Yrac) wrote:

>For a really big farm, consider some of the new trunked systems. Expensive, but
>will keep you in touch with the base--anywhere--and can make phone calls.

set up an antenna 100ft high. it should improve the signal.

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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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2114. Re: Selling Radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c7e932.1993759@news.total.net>
Source record: 180882

On Thu, 22 Jan 1998 16:00:22 -0800, John Spooner <wedding@verinet.com>
wrote:

>Can someone direct me to a group where I can post a radio for sale?
>
>John...NOQQY

rec.radio.swap

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2115. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c7ea78.2320059@news.total.net>
Source record: 180883
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 22 Jan 1998 20:11:25 GMT, "Todd Dugdale" <sirius@tiny.net> wrote:

> You must not listen to CB a whole lot. You also must not realise that no
>written test must be passed, nor a licence applied for, in contrast to the
>no-code ham bands.
> The big "problem" with CB is really skip these days. Not many people are on
>anymore, except in the really big cities. There are jerks, of course. There are
>jammers and so forth on the ham bands, too.
> I've always thought that, since hams so often flout this "talk to other side
>of the world" crap, that a foreign language should be a requirement rather than
>Morse code.
>Or perhaps some archaic dead language like Latin or Sanskrit. This would
>separate those who are "serious" about radio from those who merely want to talk
>to other human beings about things that interest them.
> Try to remember what a licence is for. If states required semaphore code
>proficiency or an ability to recite to recite the Odyssey from memory in order
>to receive a drivers licence, traffic would definitely be down. The idea is
>that you have the minimum skills needed to use the service, not that you know
>the secret word.
> The no-code licences have saved amateur radio in the u.s. from oblivion. Now
>hams insist that if these newcomers want to talk to rest of the nation or the
>world, they had better do what the OT's had to do--learn code. That's
>gratitude.
> The joke is on the OT's, though. With the internet and programs like
>NetMeeting, ordinary people can talk to ordinary people all over the world, not
>just some cranky old fart in his basement. No code, no licence, no tower or
>fifty foot antenna needed. Since the FCC is gone by the wayside, anyone who
>REALLY wants to go the RF route can without a licence anyway.
> By the way, have you given up on the steam engine yet?
>Todd Dugdale
>Minneapolis, MN

well done. I hope old foggies read this.

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2116. Re: KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c7eb82.2585884@news.total.net>
Source record: 180884
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Thu, 22 Jan 1998 13:01:42 -0600, Chris Ranes <kc8caj@hotmail.com>
wrote:

>Fellow Amateurs,
>
>Please feel free to check out the KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page. The URL is
>http://www.kb8uyz.com/kc8caj.

please feel free to check out CB (Cutie Boy)'s Web Page at:

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2117. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: marc_k@walrus.com
Message-ID: <6a8qui$mp7$1@alice.walrus.com>
Source record: 180885

Yrac (yrac@aol.com) wrote:
: >
: >I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
: >mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
: >frequency because of the mode.
: >-

: Bill:
: The other postings are correct; CB is CB. An amateur license is not relevant.

: However, I am wondering if your 23 channel CB radio has SSB, or are you going
: to take an amateur transmitter down there?

: By the way, the SSB operators are on the upper four channels. You will not find
: much, if any, SSB operation on ch. 1 thru 23. You probably will annoy a bunch
: of folks by using it there. Just an observation.

: Yrac

Actually, the SSB channel on the old 23 Channel band was channel 16-I'm
rather sure that at least some SSB operations still occur there.

2118. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a8s4c$ctu@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180886

ROLAND STINER <roland.stiner@relaynet.org> wrote:
>KN>If things continue at their current pace, there will be almost 1,000,000
> >licensed amateurs in 2008 (if we linearly extrapolate current annual
> >growth of 30k amateurs for 10 years).

>How many of them are on the air?

Hopefully, no more than say, 1/10 of them. Our 3.75 MHz of M/HF spectrum
is already overstressed.
Jeff KH2PZ

2119. Re: File Formats for QST on CDROM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <r8Ux.20$fb6.491607@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 180887

In <6a5d7s$c6n@news.cis.okstate.edu>, martin@osuunx.ucc.okstate.edu (Martin McCormick) writes:
>times and then be thrown away. In practice, they last for years if one
>is careful and doesn't step or sit on them or leave them in a hot
>place.

how about transcribing the disposable disks to mini-disc?

random access, small size, can have labeling on the disk for use by the player display.

>
>Martin McCormick WB5AGZ Stillwater, OK 36.7N97.4W
>OSU Center for Computing and Information Services Data Communications Group

2120. WWV Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: fsradio@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123034200.WAA28608@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180888

Hello All
Thanks for reading this.
I have a WWV receiver made by Communitronics Ltd its the model 6011B
i am not familiar with it.
It has some bnc connectors in the back, two in the front a led smeter, black face
solid state. Does anyboby know where this company is located? Any info on this receiver? Also looking for a manual for the same.

Thanks

Jack

2121. Special Event - Collins ARC of Melbourne

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <1rUx.21$fb6.503092@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 180889

In a few weeks, we'll be getting W4CRC ready to move to our new location in Melbourne, Florida.

We're thinking about putting on a special event from our original buildings in Melbourne the weekend before we move to the new engineering plant.

The Rodes Blvd. buildings were the first buildings used by Rockwell Collins in Melbourne and it's where a lot of design work went on for product families like Micro Line/Micro Line II and other aircraft radios.

If you'd like to see a special event operation from the buildings where it all began for us here in florida, let us know at

feboyer@collins.rockwell.com

Fred N3QK is collecting responses -- at this exact time we don't have a hard date when the antennas will have to come down, but it will be in the next couple of months.

thanks,

bill newkirk wb9ivr
wenewkir@collins.rockwell.com

2122. WWV receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: fsradio@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123034900.WAA28354@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180890

Hello All
Thanks for reading this.
I have a WWV receiver made by Communitronics Ltd, the model number
is 6011B.
I am not familiar with this receiver, where is this company located?
This receiver has a few bnc connectors in the back, two of them in the front
it has a black face, led smeter. Anybody out there has any info on this rx, i
am
also looking for a manual for the same.

Thanks

Jack

2123. Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jhine41015@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123041600.XAA04343@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180891

Hello all,..... Where and how can I get information / training and schooling regarding this license. It is my understanding that this license is required to perform repairs on UHF/VHF base stations and paging terminals. Can someone steer me in the right direction? **** Thanks in advance for your help. **** Jeremy **** KF4RTY

2124. Re: cw ruled now what?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34d33497.21700097@news.flash.net>
Source record: 180892

On 22 Jan 1998 22:55:00 -0700, "James Coburn" <confused@primenet.com>
wrote:

>
>``There's only four of us left,'' says Aubrey Keel, whose career spanned
>bureaus from coast to coast and whose world was the 46 combinations of dots
>and dashes that made up Morse Code.

>Today, he often ``talks'' to retired telegraphers transmitting via ham
>radio -- unless he's busy using e-mail from a home command center that
>includes two computers, radio gear and a digital camera and scanner. His old
>employer now transmits news at 9,000 words a minute.
>

That is a neat story. I have talked to several older hams in the
dallas/ft worth area who were on ship in ww2. They copied better
than 50wpm for their whole shift <4on4off> These guys know code!!!!
It is sad to see the backup comm of the world fail to progress. I must
admit when I first started cw I hated it, now I only dislike it and do
use it occasionally.....but when ssb just cannot get it cw will be
right in there trudgeing away

2125. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34c83b44.40774545@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 180893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

spammers@must.die.com (KF6IIU) wrote:

>There is plenty of evidence. From:
>
>http://www-afo.arc.nasa.gov/ASRS/cb_201.html
>
>"After departing VFR, I picked up an IFR flight plan, and was given a
>clearance. Abeam one
>intersection, Approach advised that I was 7 miles south of course
>and provided a heading to
>reintercept. I began course correction and configured the Loran
>for course guidance. On further
>comparison, it was determined that both VOR receivers were
>suspect as they both indicated 8 degrees off. This prompted a
>query of the two passengers, children ages 7 and 12, after which
>it was found that both were using portable tape players. Both
>units were turned off, and the VOR receivers returned to normal
>operation. "

I don't think I want to ride on an aircraft which can be that easily
screwed up by a kid's toy.
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

2126. Re: Morse Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Peter Winters & Bob Carter <pwinters@isd.net>
Message-ID: <34C868A5.1755@isd.net>
Source record: 180894

try Timewave's Morse University II

jon wrote:
>
> Has anyone got a morse code program which uses the sound card rather
> than the internal speaker as this always seems to be too quiet. If
> the sound card was used I would be able to use headphones and have no
> distractions.
> Please Email direct to: jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk
> Or post to this news group.
>
> Thank You
>
> 73s Jon

--
Bob Carter - N0RUC Peter Winters - N0RUG
pbjmotorsports@compuserve.com pwinters@isd.net
1994 Ford Ranger U2S 1990 Ford Bronco T4S
"Its the navigators fault" "I said Left, not Right!"
pb&j motorsports
SCCA-LOL Rallycross
SCCA-LOL Road Rally

2127. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a9hc9$qib@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180895
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

D. Townsend <pog@bellsouth.net> wrote:
>Jeffrey Herman wrote in message <6a6h7u$shd@news.Hawaii.Edu>...
>>In article <Nrxx.240$ee.433158@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>,

>>> Clinging to 30
>>>year old CW requirements and rules and regulations that are slowly
>>>strangling the ARS just doesn't make sense to many of us, who came into
>>>Amateur Radio later.

>>Could you be more specific as to how the ARS is being "strangled"?

>Jeff look at the numbers regarding growth and upgrades with an open mind, we
>can't accept figures like those posted for last year and survive or keep
>our spectrum.

HF consists of only 3.75 MHz. We can't keep increasing our numbers
down there year after year without *serious* problems arising. When
I became licensed in '76 the bands were jammed with just (if I recall
correctly) 150K hams. With so "few" back then there was no danger of
losing them, in spite of the cold-war freq'y pressure that existed.

>Many people are crying about Amateurs not being innovative or
>leading in the development of new technology.

Read our history and you'll see that 99.99+% of all amateurs have been
followers, not leaders. You can only name a few dozen amateurs who
really contributed to the advancement of communications; eliminate the
expensive labs and funding their company provided, and the numbers are
much less.

> Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
>off by the code requirements.

Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
conducted in that region.

> but we need a constant infusion
>of new people and ideas or the ARS will not be competive with the newer
>technologies.

Ummm, who are we supposed to be competition with? The military? The
maritime service? The telephone industry?

You still haven't shown how the ARS is being "strangled."

Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

2128. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a9i2r$qt1@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Mark VandeWettering <markv@pixar.com> wrote:
>Jeffrey Herman <jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu> wrote:
>>In article <Nrxx.240$ee.433158@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>,

>>> Clinging to 30
>>>year old CW requirements and rules and regulations that are slowly
>>>strangling the ARS just doesn't make sense to many of us, who came into
>>>Amateur Radio later.

>>Could you be more specific as to how the ARS is being "strangled"?

>Three leap to mind:
> 1. outdated code requirements.

Almost 130 MHz between 6m and 23cm is available code-free. The code is
only needed to gain access to 3.75 MHz of spectrum.

> 2. onerous requirements for stations which forward information
> to and from Internet.

So who is lacking information due to these "onerous" requirements? Is
someone not able to receive data that couldn't be gotten through some
other means? Why waste valuable amateur spectrum attempting to duplicate
the internet over the air?

> 3. bandwidth restrictions that prevent the use of spread spectrum
> techniques.

Did you ever consider why such restrictions are currently in place?

So, how is the ARS being "strangled"?

Jeff KH2PZ

2129. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a9int$re4@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180897

CBBimbo <cbbimbo@aol.com> wrote:
>"ghebb" <ghebb@ivic.net> writes:
>> and I have a REAL name and CALL sign

>Which is totally irrelevant with regards to posting on USENET.
>"Where's that fat 'ol CB BIMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him!!"

True, but it does add credibility to one's comments. As an analogy,
you could participate in say, the rec.aircraft.* groups without having
earned a pilot's license, but would anyone believe the details of flight
situations you've encountered?
Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

2130. When the ARS is outlawed, will you cease transmitting?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6a9jf7$rps@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180898
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C82925.5549@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>Capital punishment for freebanders? When amateur radio is
>outlawed, are you going to stop transmitting?

Well Cecil, that's an interesting question that I hope takes hold
as a thread. I'd op for the VLF experimenter's band or other Part
15 frequencies and hope other CW ops would do likewise. Reluctantly,
I might turn to the Part 95 service (if it still existed).
Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

2131. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Todd Dugdale <sirius@tiny.net>
Message-ID: <01bd27dc$a8400c20$400d62d1@sirius>
Source record: 180899
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

you wrote:
The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
(for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.

I have a device that reads Morse code. Why should I need to learn it? I
imagine that a device could easily be made to translate ASCII into Morse, so
throw the key out the window. I respect those who have learned the code, but I
resent the way they think that those who refuse to learn it are lazy or stupid.
And I really think that it should not be a requirement. If you want to use it,
fine. If you want to speak Latin, great. Don't require me to learn it as proof
that I'm serious about talking, though.
Todd

2132. HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C861CF.12E1@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180900
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I am planning a trip soon. I forgot the secret sign that
we Pro Code Hams use, in case we are broke down on the side
of the road, to signal another Pro Coder for help. Will
someone please email it to me .. I swear I can copy 25 WPM
solid with a pencil for about 15 minutes, then my hand gets
tired from writing. You might include the secret handshake too.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

2133. BOTTOM LINE on CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
Message-ID: <34C86375.23CA@wf.quik.com>
Source record: 180901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Here it is, this just came to me.

I will equate learning the code to when I was a kid and every
Saturday night Momma broke out the old #3 wash tub. I kicked
and screamed and fought it all the way, getting into that tub
to take a bath, but when it was over I felt better.

So grit your teeth, jump in and learn the code.
You will feel beter when it's over.

It might become a habit, the code, after all to this day
I still take a bath every Saturday night.

Curtis .. N5HDQ .. htt6p://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

2134. Re: Morse Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <Ke$TaAArKFy0Ewpq@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180902

Jon
I have a free Morse tutor that uses the sound card if detected or the
internal speaker if not. You can get it from "http://come.to/g0mdo".
Be my guest.
--
Don Ward G0MDO

2135. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c88eaa.2319400@news.total.net>
Source record: 180903
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Thu, 22 Jan 1998 22:22:45 -0700, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>M Johnson wrote:
>> If you are talking about the freebanders and the abusers of the CB band then
>> they should be hunted down and shot.
>
>Capital punishment for freebanders? When amateur radio is
>outlawed, are you going to stop transmitting?

it will be outlawed soon unless we attract more amateurs.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2136. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123125801.HAA11044@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180904

In article <6a41vm$an0@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

> Passing the 5wpm code test *will*
give the licensee HF access - much more
>valuable spectrum than
11m provides.

Yeah. You'll be able to engage in endless 10-10 contests and signal reports on 10m, instead of talking to real people about real-life interests on the freeband.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2137. where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Hoffman <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Message-ID: <34C8B36E.41C6@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Source record: 180905

What is the derivation of the use of "lid" as a derogatory term?
I know what it means, I just want to know how/when it got started.

Thanks.

- Gary
- KB0QGE
- gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

2138. Viking 1 or 2 (parts needed)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: dpaquett@ime.net
Message-ID: <34c89813.547765@news.ime.net>
Source record: 180906

Hello,
Name here is Dave and a friend of mine is in need of the following
parts for a Viking radio.

Relay: 6pole, DPDT, 115vdc

&

Modulation transformer for a Viking 1 or Viking 2

If you can help, please let me know
Thanks in advance, Dave (ka1jwm) ----> dpaquett@ime.net

2139. Standard GX2000 & Phillips PRM80 Series Users !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: chris <expo88@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <01bd280f$b977d260$0300a8c0@chris>
Source record: 180907

I requires the software and a list of the parts needed to build the patch cords. If you can help please email me me and we can make a deal.

Kind Regards,
Chris
expo88@hotmail.com

2140. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6aaec4jq1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180908
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dave Flack <davef@netdotdesign.com> wrote:
> I think you are missing the real point. Morse code is a flawed code. No
> upper and lower case, no curly braces, etc., etc. Way too primitive for
> the 21st century.

It is no more flawed than anything else. At what it does it does very
well, and has for 150 years. If it was that flawed, it would have died
out long ago. It has become a bit of a lost art, though, with some
rather dedicated practicioners.

What I was interested in was a way to send morse overlaid on the internet
via packets of some sort so folks could communicate in real time via
morse on their keyboard IF THEY WERE OF AN INTEREST. I dunno if the
windoz boxes would be able to do it, but they might. A unix workstation
should be able to do that in a spare login or window in real time, and
not be too burdened. Since the suggestion of that sort of thing was
made by whoever posted the original input, I thought it might be quite
possible to do, and threw out some ideas for pondering, to see if there
was some real interest or if folks were just trolling.

The simplest approach would be to have an ascii-to-morse converter to
pump the sound output (speaker, soundboard, whatever). It could be
done in real time just like the unix talk, or a chat room.

Although this sort of thing is probably not going to revolutionize
the internet, it would be a good way to do some training for the
unlearned folks that need a little elmerin'. That would always be
good for the service.

> Two suggestions. I think what we should be doing is learning to send ASCII
> or extended ASCII using dits and dahs. All characters would then be 7 or 8
> units long. This would allow us to uuencode pictures of our families and
> not just do the boring: TNX FER CALL OM = UR RST 599 and so on.

I would much prefer something like the latest newsfeed from CNN, the
stock market reports, baseball scores, or the offshore forecast.
If you need to do pictures, use the normal internet functions.

> My second idea is to sample all CW QSO's for one month and come up with
> extended numeric macros. Just as 73 = best regards, #672 would be: NAME HR
> IS DAVE DAVE and #362 would be WELL XYL IS CALLING FOR DINNER SO 73 AND CUL.
> Wouldn't need a PC or UNIX box even. Just a Palm Pilot.

Such a database would be meaningless to almost everyone.

Keyboards on palm boxen are not usable. Too slow for high speed CWists.
You could inteface a good keyboard or a keyer in some way, perhaps, and
us the palm boxen as interfaces to the internet of the future.

> Of course, then we get a lot of folks wanting a No Pilot class of
> license....

Licensing not required for the internet, thus it serves as a useful
training round to conduct ham radio classes, code classes, code
training, etc. I can't think of such interesting uses as these.
One gets very tired of webbing all over the planet in short order.
Time to do something a little better.

> 73, W0RNL, Dave, in Sunnyvale (or # 735892)

> User Rdkeys Robert D. Keys wrote in message
> <68u5pb$q7c$4@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>...
> >George Abide <gabide@pclink.com> wrote:
> >
> >> >
> >> > >That's a REALLY good idea George! [CW QSOs via Internet] I have been
> >> reading about using the internet
> >> > >for telephony via your computer.
> >> >
> >> > what's the purpose of this ??
> >> >
> >> > efficiency ?????
> >> >
> >

> >Morse Code on the Internet..... yup.... the dawn of a new era.....
> >
> >73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP
> >

I still thing this is a sleeper looking for some talented hacker to
generate some interfacing and programming. Yup, Morse Code in real
time on the Internet...the dawn of a new era......

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

2141. Icom IC-T2A mod wanted.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michel Morin <morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca>
Message-ID: <cC3y.8$VT5.89848@carnaval.risq.qc.ca>
Source record: 180909

Looking for a mod to expand the transmit range of this fine radio. I need
that for experiments on a repeater. Thank you.
73 Michel.

2142. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future --- I doubt it.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6aafl8jq2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180910
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In rec.radio.amateur.misc Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 18:38:34 -0600, Richard Carroll
> <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:

> > Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
> >are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.

> Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
> preferred over no calculators whatever.

Great! The abacus IS quite effective in the hands of a trained operator. Training is not common, these days. Likewise, a slide rule IS quite effective if you know how to run it.....(and its batteries take a long time to die out). Alas, finding a good slide rule these days is difficult. I guess, like my CW, the use of a slide rule is optional. But, you know, for ohms law and related calculations that I can't do offhand in my head, I still reach for the slide rule first. Good tools and methods are always welcome in my shack.... even ancient things like CW and slide rules.....(sadly, I am not a master of the abacus and do have some kudos for those that have mastered the instrument).

Interesting asides..... Bob/NA4G

2143. Re: Liberty Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: n9vjg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123170800.MAA08266@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180911

Okay, okay. The bands are slightly full of scum bags. 75 meters is full of jammers and ignorant fools. You can't defend that cesspool. The Liberty Net is just the tip of the iceberg and it gets worse as you move that dial.

Eric Bond, N9VJG W.C.
n9vjg@n-lemma.com
http://n-lemma.com/FBOM/

2144. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C8C939.8DBCE79B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180912
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:

> Capital punishment for freebanders?

Hi Cecil,Naw, your right. Capital punishment is too good for them. They should be strapped down and forced to listen to Wayne Newton songs.......

> When amateur radio is
> outlawed, are you going to stop transmitting?

Do you have a crystal ball? The solution is to see that it is not outlawed. One way to help that process is to clean up the bands of the garbage operators that are not operating within part 97.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2145. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "M. Neiner" <m9er@soundcom.net>
Message-ID: <6aajl2$5cf$1@usenet50.supernews.com>
Source record: 180913

At one time I was really excited about CB RADIO. Too bad I had to leave it off when my children were in the car. I finally took it out of my car and sold it. I sure didn't hear many people talking about real - life interests.

2146. Re: cw ruled now what?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C8CBFF.EAE061FE@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180914

James Coburn wrote:

>
> He glanced down at his old ``green key,'' adjusting the Prince Albert
> tobacco can that changes the telegraph's pitch.

Which is where we got the terms LID and Tin Ear.......

Great story James. Thanks for the info.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2147. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34C8CECB.FC500FA2@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180915

Gary Hoffman wrote:

> What is the derivation of the use of "lid" as a derogatory term?
> I know what it means, I just want to know how/when it got started.
>

Hi Gary,
My granddad was a railroad telegrapher. He said that the term lid came from operators who would put the lid of a Prince Albert tobacco tin on the sounder so they could copy the code easier. It was a practice that was frowned on by operators who did not have to do this and it became the slang used for bad operators. They would also say that such an operator had a "tin ear".

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2148. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6aakjr$c2u@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

>someone wrote:
>The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
>(for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
>language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
>use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.

There are? Please direct us to any of those translation
programs that can easily and in real time translate Spanish,
French, or any other language into English and also
do English to that other language.

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2149. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C8DF7E.6B0E@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Curtis M LaFon wrote:
>
> W6RCA wrote:
> > Like the Morse code testing requirement of today, it was an
> > unnecessary federal governmental regulation. That it was
> > unnecessary and unimportant is proven by the fact that it
> > doesn't exist now.
>
> Carl, I think you have gone over the edge. What do you mean it
> does not exist today ?

"It" referred to the outdated requirement to swear that one had
been active and could still meet the code requirement in order
to get a license renewed. And my name isn't Carl.

> > There has been a law against murder ever
> > since laws existed and there still is.
>
> Yes, and the point is ?

Necessary requirements have long been requirements and continue
to be requirements. The Morse code requirement is not necessary
in the same way that laws prohibiting murder are necessary.
It is just an FCC/ARRL whim codified into regulations.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2150. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C8F337.64BC@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180918
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Robert D. Keys wrote:
> If it was that flawed, it would have died out long ago.

The ARS is essentially the only wireless service still using
it and only a minority of hams ever use it anymore.

Do a 100 year time line of the number of services using Morse
code over the years. You will find an ever-decreasing amount
of usage because it is flawed for everything except fun. Fun
can be afforded only by the ARS.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2151. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34C8F0E4.611C@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180919
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

M Johnson wrote:
> Do you have a crystal ball? The solution is to see that it is not outlawed.

Take the blinders off, Mark. A one-world-government is not going to allow
ownership of guns, gold, or amateur transmitters.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2152. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us
Message-ID: <6aaq3k$iua@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>
Source record: 180920

you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
each other on the air.

it's really sad that what could be a very useful band and technology has
to be trashed by others.....

--
C. W. Gibbs <cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us>
----------- "Laziness Breeds Efficiency" -------------

Psalm 119:112

2153. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrel Waller <career_darrel@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <uS04FNDK9GA.316@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 180921

Ed Legenza wrote in message <34C834D4.1E4C@earthlink.net>...
Darrel Waller wrote:
>> I'd not wrap it in Al foil, have someone weld up an iron box, nickel
plate
>> it, install suitable gaskets, fill it with dry Argon, seal it, bury it,
hope
>> you never have a reason to dig it up.
>
>Thanks for giving the guy a honest answer, why does argon help?

Honest question, deserved honest answer.

Argon has a rather high ionization voltage. Has to be dry to keep it that way as any moisture will greatly reduce the voltage needed to get the gas to conduct. I would rather have said that one should use dry Sulfur Hexaflouride because SF6 has the highest ionization voltage of all easily obtainable gases, but SF6 is very much more expensive. Argon makes up a few tenths of a percent of normal air and is a by-product of the industrial production of liquid nitrogen and liquid oxygen. SF6 has to be manufacturered in specially built equipment by reacting sulfur with elemental flourine in a multi-stage process; the SF6 then has to be carefully purified. All this special processing makes SF6 too expensive for 'normal' people.

In any case, the dry Argon fill helps keep the high voltage indiced by the EMP in any metal object from arcing over into the enclosed equipment. If arcing were to occur, it'd be pretty much the same thing as taking a direct lightning strike. Since you can't ground the enclosed equipment, this would negate the original intent, you should have some method to prevent arcing inside the protective enclosure.

The foregoing statement brings up an additinal point that I failed to mention in my original post:

You should suspend the equipment at the center of the enclosure with some suitable non-conducting material, nylon rope would be just fine.

Darrel
KC7ZCA
Tripoli 4627 L2
http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaaveral/4545

2154. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c8f04e.2556017@news.total.net>
Source record: 180922

On 23 Jan 1998 12:58:42 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>In article <6a41vm$an0@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
>writes:

>> Passing the 5wpm code test *will*
>>give the licensee HF access - much more
>>valuable spectrum than
>>11m provides.

>Yeah. You'll be able to engage in endless 10-10 contests and signal reports on
>10m, instead of talking to real people about real-life interests on the
>freeband.

hahaha... agreed. very nice !!

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2155. Re: Icom IC-T2A mod wanted.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c8f076.2596657@news.total.net>
Source record: 180923
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:32:08 GMT, "Michel Morin"
<morinm@csgoeland.qc.ca> wrote:

>Looking for a mod to expand the transmit range of this fine radio.
> I need
>that for experiments on a repeater.

which repeater ?

> Thank you.
>73 Michel.

My T2A transmits 140-150 out of box.

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2156. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future --- I doubt it.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c8f10b.2745264@news.total.net>
Source record: 180924
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 23 Jan 1998 16:14:32 GMT, "Robert D. Keys"
<rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote:

>In rec.radio.amateur.misc Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>> Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
>> preferred over no calculators whatever.

I didn't write this.

I guess someone [Pro-CWer] wrote above message, but I wouldn't be able
to remember.

>Great! The abacus IS quite effective in the hands of a trained operator.
>Training is not common, these days. Likewise, a slide rule IS quite
>effective if you know how to run it.....(and its batteries take a long
>time to die out). Alas, finding a good slide rule these days is difficult.
>I guess, like my CW, the use of a slide rule is optional. But, you know,
>for ohms law and related calculations that I can't do offhand in my head,
>I still reach for the slide rule first. Good tools and methods are
>always welcome in my shack.... even ancient things like CW and slide
>rules.....(sadly, I am not a master of the abacus and do have some kudos
>for those that have mastered the instrument).

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2157. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c8f0dd.2699830@news.total.net>
Source record: 180925
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 17:40:04 GMT, billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl)
wrote:

>
>>someone wrote:
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>>(for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
>>language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
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2158. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future --- I doubt it.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aarfcnl1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180926
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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>> > Code communications are quite effective, for those who don't know, and
>> >are much to be preferred over no communications whatever.
>
>> Abacus is quite effective, for those who don't know, and much to be
>> preferred over no calculators whatever.
>
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>always welcome in my shack.... even ancient things like CW and slide
>rules.....(sadly, I am not a master of the abacus and do have some kudos
>for those that have mastered the instrument).
>
>Interesting asides...... Bob/NA4G
>

Scott Flansberg (AKA "The Human Calculator") makes all of those instruments
obsolete.

**********************************************************************
*Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address*
**********************************************************************
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
**********************************************************************
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2159. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34C8F4F5.A97@sccoast.net>
Source record: 180927
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote...
>
> Hi Cecil,Naw, your right. Capital punishment is too good for them.
> They should be strapped down and forced to listen to Wayne Newton
> songs.......

REPLY...

Oh no, not that!! That IS cruel and unusual punishment. But it would be a good way to deter freebanders.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2160. Re: Digital modes in Novice subbands? Why?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123201900.PAA01707@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180928

>I thought the 80 meter novice subband was from 3700
>to 3750?
>As far as I am aware of, we Canadians respect the u.s. novices by
>keeping voice above 3750.

To make things easier on our neighbors to the North, the FCC moved US novices *down* to 3.675- 3.725mHz. Here they compete with So.American point-to-point services.

KMB

2161. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34C91945.40F5@no.net>
Source record: 180929

Carl Gibbs wrote:
>
> you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
> each other on the air.

Yea, 11 meters is a contest between 'dumb and dumber', like I head the two 'freebander' stations talking about working dx via skip. One said he never worked dx stations by skip, he only worked them 'direct.'

2162. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6aav5u$d3l@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180930
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

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>>programs that can easily and in real time translate Spanish,
>>French, or any other language into English and also
>>do English to that other language.

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If all one can do is send me to a search engine, that
sure doesn't show any familiarity with any such
software in terms of usability, costs, etc.

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2163. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6ab0vabip1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180931
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.morse,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> wrote:
> Robert D. Keys wrote:
> > If it was that flawed, it would have died out long ago.

> The ARS is essentially the only wireless service still using
> it and only a minority of hams ever use it anymore.

Almost, but not quite. There is still a fair amount of wireless traffic from places like WCC/WNU/KFS/WLO/CLA and the like, although it is diminishing. The daily WX bcsts still run from WCC/WNU/KFS (try QTR 0350Z QRG 4310KHZ). If the minority uses it, it must be a big minority..... one can always find a lot of folks on CW if one knows where to look and what to listen for. Granted, it is diminishing in use commercially. When that finally goes, the hams will be the last vestage of Morse on the air. I can usually always find any number of hams on the air on CW, worldwide. I would expect a generation would have to die out, plus a lot of the new folks for it to finally pass on. That, in my estimation, will be around the year 2025 or so, unless unpredictable things happen. So, that gives another 25 years or so of life to add to 150 past. I would expect that by then it will become a lost art and craft, like shoeing horses (but that still manages to survive a little).

> Do a 100 year time line of the number of services using Morse
> code over the years. You will find an ever-decreasing amount
> of usage because it is flawed for everything except fun. Fun
> can be afforded only by the ARS.

Mostly true. But, it still manages to survive rather well.
The amateur radio service is not supposed to be for fun.
It is fun, but that is not its basis. As to its fun aspects, Morse is sort of like learning another language, or playing the fiddle, or doing anything else that gives one a bit of pride in an art and craft. Even though it may be passe and politically incorrect, learning an art and craft these days, it will be there for a long time to come. As to its testing requirements, which is where most of the CW debate hinges, I would suggest that after the commercial requirements go belly-up (sometime after the GMDSS comes on-line and settles down into something working) officially on February 01, 1999, plus some settling time of maybe a year or two, that testing requirements beyond the minimal entry level skill of 5wpm are not required, and exams can be ammended for such. Then, it all becomes a historical footnote. But, it won't die out on the ham bands, not for a long, long time. It will be there, if

you take the time to listen, know what to listen for, and how to listen for it.

> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

2164. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123235001.SAA05407@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180932

In article <19980123125801.HAA11044@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
> Passing the 5wpm code test *will*
give the licensee HF access - much
>more
>valuable spectrum than
11m provides.

Yeah. You'll be able to engage
>in endless 10-10 contests and signal reports on
10m, instead of talking to
>real people about real-life interests on the
freeband.

The novice bands provide a lot of other activity besides 10M fone. Anyway, you can't work CW, RTTY, SSTV, etc on CB, nor may you run 100 or more watts output power. The operator is spoonfed his operating freqs on CB, with pre-set channels. 15 meters is an excellent band, and though the Novice portion of 40 sucks at times because of the broadcasters in ITU region 1, 80 is OK. While I agree that contesting is pretty boring, there are those who enjoy it, and there is none on 11. Technically, DX on 11 meters is illegal. I guess compared to Nov/Tech priveleges, CB really isn't so free after all.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2165. Re: Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980123235001.SAA04249@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180933

In article <19980123041600.XAA04343@ladder02.news.aol.com>, jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) writes:

>
Hello all,..... Where and how can I get information
>/
training and schooling regarding this license. It is my understanding
>that
this license is required to perform repairs on UHF/VHF base stations and
>paging
terminals. Can someone steer me in the right direction? ****
>Thanks in
advance for your help. **** Jeremy **** KF4RTY

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Sorry, Jeremy,,, there have not been any First Class Radiotelephone tickets issues in many many years. You will have to settle for a General. The question pool is published and available both from the Government Printing Office and from several private sector distributors. W5YI Group is one. I believe they are in Dallas, TX. The question pool was, at least when the pool was first published, mostly lifted from the Advanced and Extra class written exam elements. If you have recently sat for both of those tickets, you can bone up for the Gen Fone in a couple of days. The only thing different will be that there will be material on part 80 rather than part 97.

When the FCC did away with 1st Phone, they grandfathered all 1st fone renewals down to General. Really upset some OMs.

The FCC no longer gives the exam. You will have to go to a COLEM, and the package you get from W5YI will list them all.

Commercial tickets are not free. I think it is about $35 now for an original Gen Phone. The COLEM will charge you about $70 to give you the test, whether you pass or not, so don't go in on a whim. Study first.

If you have your Extra, see if you can still use it as credit for the 20WPM code requirement for 2nd Class Radiotelegraph. May as well go for the gold. 2nd RT supersedes Gen Phone, though you may have both licenses if you like. They will not cancel your Gen just because you get your RT. The multiple choice format for the ham code test is a little easier than the regular commercial ticket exam, which you can only pass with a minute of perfect copy out of 5 minutes of code sent. They were doing this when privatization was just getting off the ground because the COLEMS knew jack about administering a 20 WPM Morse exam. This hole might be plugged up by now.

The elements for Gen Phone are elements 1 and 3. I think Ship's radar is el.6, 4 is for 3rd RT, 2nd RT must take 1, 3, 4, and 5, GMDSS Operator is 7, and Maintainer is 8. There is no written exam for 1st RT, only service requirement, USCG license, and a 25 WPM code est. !st alone will get you a Marine Radiotelephone Operator Permit.

Schooling? You don't need it to get the license; just study the Amateur Advanced and Extra study guides and the question pools for the commercial ticket. You should pass no sweat. Acquiring the knowledge and skill you need for employment is a different matter. There are a lot of correspondence courses you could look into, or you could just learn on the fly. The license doesn't really mean you know much. With the multiple choice exam format, it just means you can study and pass a test, and it is something the Feds can yank if you do something naughty, and so is a guarantee of sorts of your good behavior.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2166. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-23 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrel Waller <career_darrel@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <#$PbJDGK9GA.222@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 180934

D. Holford wrote in message <6ab62m$i4c$1@news.igs.net>...
>>> FYI: I worked on the systems(s) used to EMP test military avionics in
situ,
>>> project was named 'Trestle'; good luck finding out anything else about
it
>
>QST magazine ran several articles on this subject, back when hobby folks
>worried about it. I have no idea when, but I would guess about a quarter
>century ago. I think it was QST but could have been 73.
>
>Project "Trestle" was extensively written up in several aviation and
>electronics publications in the same time frame. Most were professional
pubs,
>but I seem to recall at least one of the popular science/mechanics mags
doing
>a pretty thorough description. I even had a photo of the trestle lying
around
>here for some years - but it's long gone now.

Gad, Dave, guess you put a peg on how old I am.... S'Okay, I'm only 1/2 as
old as dirt ;). I seem to recall there was a photo of the trestle itself
and a general sort of 'what's it for?' article in PopSci at the time.
Thought it was pretty strange in as much as those of us involved were told
that 'absolutely no information is to be released'.... Figgers, left-hand
doesn't know/care what right-hand is doing.....

Should have phrased it this way: 'good luck finding any thing else
substantive about it'...

Darrel
KC7ZCA
Tripoli 4627 L2
http://www.goecities.com/CapeCanaveral/4545

2167. Re: @@@ Cancel @@@

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <6ae84p$2cf$1@newsfep3.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 180685

Michael Black wrote in message ...
>On Sat, 24 Jan 1998, Cutie Boy wrote:
>
>> >From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy)
>> >Date: 1998/01/20
>> >Message-ID: <6a2u56$ao7@anchor.cis.att.com>
>> >Newsgroups:
>rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amat$
>> >[More Headers]
>>
>> > Automatic cancel message requested by WorldNet.
>>
>> Give me a break.
>> Who is cancelling my articles ??
>> Which ones cancelled by whom ??
>> If someone cancels my articles because he hates me, I will cancel
>> anything that I don't like.

<< LARGE snip >>

>
> Michael VE2BVW
>

Courteous.
Sound logic.
Valid reasoning.
Plain truth.
Thunderous applause!!

Well done.... and well said.

2168. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: The Bakers <mbaker@monmouth.com>
Message-ID: <34CAB93B.1A08ACFC@monmouth.com>
Source record: 180686
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Tim Hynde wrote:

> Actually Masa, were all trying to figure out how to keep YOU busy. (away from the
> keyboard).

Doesn't this guy (Masa) go to college ? When does he have time to study or go to
class ??

M. Baker
mbaker@monmouth.com

2169. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Marston <microrla@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CAC7FB.EFD@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180687

CBRambo wrote:
>
> FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
> down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
> hold the office.

If Nuremburg style trials were held in this country EVERY post WW2
President from Truman on would be hung as War Criminals.

My vote for most despottic degenerate to inhabit the White House is
James Polk.

2170. Re: The 3894.5 Webpage, and MORE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: MC Turner <C_Turner@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CAD4EA.2740@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180688
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.shortwave

Radyo Fun wrote:
>
> Here it is ham radio operators and SWL's all across the World:
>
> ----> THE most popular places in Ham Radio cyberspace! <-----
>
> The 3894.5 Stumpjumpers Web Page - brought to you
> by the Goodfellas! Y'all come on by now, ya hear !
>
> http://www.angelfire.com/wv/stumpjumpers
>
> The Better Amateur Radio Federation Webpage: http://www.angelfire.com.in/w9xn
>
> Big Al's Webpage and Art Gallery: http://www.angelfire.com/nc/k4oka
>
> Finally, the Web Page brought to you by the GREATEST HAM RADIO OPERATOR
> ON THE AIR TODAY, a man of valor, truth, justice and the American Way!
>
> Herb KV4FZ ---> http://www.islands.vi/~herbs/ (Thunderous Applause!)

This is a CB radio group not a HAMBO group. Get outa here!

P.S Please.

MC

2171. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ae6l8$4d6$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180689

In article <01bd290a$4e312fa0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Some sure are ... Morseodist cultists like Roll, MD, Carroll, and others
>insist "Morse forever" regardless of the costs ...

More Stevenson lies.... Anyone is more than welcome to search through
the DejaNews archives to find numerous examples of willingness to
compromise -- even proposals of compromise -- on my part and the part
of several others in the "pro-code" camp.

>Many self-proclaimed advocates of "progress" have developed a degree of
>hostility towards the those we demonize because we realize its the only
>way we can convince others that we, ourselves, are not a bunch of nut-
>cases.

Yeah, we know.

>> You make it sound like code is an initiation into a secret faternity.
>
>That is EXACTLY what it is ... nothing more, nothing less ...

Its only an "initiation" or "hazing" to those unable to pass it. Which,
after 25 years as a coded tech, its pretty clear you're not able to.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2172. FS: NOS 6AZ8 Philips, $3.25 each

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Harlan <sales@emodus.com>
Message-ID: <6aeqpm$6mh$1@ha1.rdc1.occa.home.com>
Source record: 180690

NOS Tubes, large quantities of each available.

FS: NOS 6AZ8 Philips, $3.25 each
FS: NOS JAN 12AT7WC, $4.50 each
FS: NOS JAN 5751 GE, $3.50 each
FS: NOS JAN 6922(E88CC, 6DJ8) Philips, $3.25 each
FS: NOS 7062 (E180CC) Amperex,$4.00 each
6186W (6AG5WA) Phillips $15.00 per box of 100 tubes

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FS: 12AX7A, $2.00 each
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Emodus, PO Box 6117, Laguna Niguel, CA, 92607-6117, USA

2173. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34CAA7F3.7AEA@icss.net>
Source record: 180691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Brian wrote:
> > If you had Sega when you were 13, you wouldn't be a ham today.
>
> I would. I have never liked games. IMO, games are a waste of time.
> The real world is much more interesting and rewarding.
> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

I never liked them much either, but most kids do. As far as being a big
waste of time, the same could be said of other hobbies (ahem).
But when it absolutely, positively has to be blown up with precision
guided munitions, I'll defer to the kid that grew up with the Sega.
73, Brian/N0iMD

2174. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34CAB74B.5549@icss.net>
Source record: 180692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <6abc7c$5lo@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>,
> Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:
>
> >>Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
> >>6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
> >>conducted in that region.
> >
> > If I read this correctly, the meaning might more accurately be "All you
> >no-code types stay off HF and leave it to the 'big boys'."
>
> It only reads that way if you're a charter member of the No-Code Agenda looking
> for more conspiracy theories than Mel Gibson.
>
> The plain fact of the matter was that in the mid 1980's the codeless tech
> license was sold to amateur radio on this premise: it would bring
> hoardes of technical geniuses into our hobby who would flood the VHF+
> bands, saving them from reallocation, while at the same time (because they
> are geniuses) would lead the charge in technical innovation and bring
> amateur radio into the 21st century.
>
> Its all there in black-and-white. Go back and read some of the editorial
> comments and letters-to-the-editor from different magazines of that era.
>
> Fast forward a decade, and now, when the codeless tech license has been an
> abject failure with its goals (yes, it has brought a lot of people into
> ham radio, but it hasn't fulfilled any of the goals it as promised to) we
> have the No-Code Agenda pushing for a codeless HF license.

SNIP

>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

Mike, please list the goals of the "coded" amateurs of the same period.
Now please provide a listing of accomplishments for said period.
Using goal achievement as a measure of success of amateur radio service
just might provide the justification to close the service.

Brian/N0iMD

2175. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980124151638838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 180693

Well said Todd

I am all in favour of code but only if people want to use it. I am learning code at present and finding it hard but intend to use it when I've passed.
Maybe we need two ways of getting onto HF, either CW or a higher class exam, whatever is decided something must be done soon because without the new blood we are doomed. So we must attract the youngsters and stop arguing amongst ourselves as lack of new hams will kill amateur radio far quicker than forcing them to learn CW.

73s

Jon M1CCK

2176. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980124120121838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 180694

We have the same problems here in the UK but only in the cities etc.

I live in Portland on the south coast and we have no such problems here, as it is an area with a fairly small population of CBers (100 or so) then everyone knows each other and we police it ourselves. We are mostly all interested in DX and when the skip is running everyone seems to congregate on the hilltops. The cities on the other hand are as you describe and not worth turning the radio on. We have a lot of hams locally of which I am one but we still use the CB as much if not more than the amateur bands.

> Carl Gibbs wrote:
> >
> > you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
> > each other on the air.

> Yea, 11 meters is a contest between 'dumb and dumber', like I head the
> two 'freebander' stations talking about working dx via skip. One said he
> never worked dx stations by skip, he only worked them 'direct.'

2177. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CA4ED3.1CD2E620@flash.net>
Source record: 180695

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <6aaq3k$iua@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>,
> cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us (Carl Gibbs) writes:
>
> >you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
> each
> >other on the air.
>
> Funny. I hear this exact phenomenon you describe on the 75m ham band. Much
> more so than on CB, in fact.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Rambo is 75m the only band you ever listen to? their are 8 other HF bands which exibit none of the 'phenomenon' you describe above. I guess if 75m went away you wouldn't have much of an argument left.

--
Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept."
- Cutie Boy, 98

2178. Re: *** Abacus and Calculator ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: wmunsil@aztec.asu.edu
Message-ID: <6adiue$l74@news.asu.edu>
Source record: 180696

I can even do square roots - not very good at it - on *my* abacus!
Which is base 15 by the way.
de `N7AOU??ATV
--
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2179. NEED CRYSTALS FOR LAFAYETTE ha-146 2 mtr rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: calvary@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124204401.PAA03602@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180697

Hello I need crystals for the ha-146 its transmit is at 12 megs and the rec is at 11.7. any repeater pairs considered. please contact RD at calvary@aol.com or n5ixe@aol.com. thanks RD
Roco D. Campbell

2180. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6adjvvojd2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180698
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

> Specifically, N8TI is looking for good quality off-air cassette
>tape
>recordings that clearly demonstrate that a violation has taken place.
>The
>audio quality must be good enough so that anyone hearing the tape will
>recognize the language being used without the need to replay it a
>second
>or third time. This means using a direct connection to your
>transceiver
>or receiver.
>>
> Also, make certain to label the tape with the alleged offender's
>name. Include the location the transmission was recorded, the
>operating
>frequency of the station, the date, time of day and the name of the
>person who recorded it.
>>
>Send these tapes to :
>Joe Falcone, N8TI
>9614 Arden Ave.
>Livonia, Michigan 48150
>
>---End forwarded message---
>>
>><wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.

Just what we need...more radio cops who go crying to the government every time somebody says a dirty word on the air.

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com *
****

2181. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd290a$4e312fa0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180699

Yrac <yrac@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980124131101.IAA02595@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
>
> Yrac's Opinion:
>
> Hams are not "insisting" on anything,

Some sure are ... Morseodist cultists like Roll, MD, Carroll, and others
insist "Morse forever" regardless of the costs ... even at the expense
of the future survival of ham radio itself.

> nor is this "gratitude" directed toward
> newcomers, as you call it.

The hell it's not ... by and large, the same Morseodists are also
VERY anti-no-code-tech ... calling them "lazy" "CBers" etc.

> Reading between the lines, one senses a lot of
> hostility in your posts.

Many advocates of progress have developed a degree of hostility
towards the forces of stagnation and decay as a result of years
of frustration with their backwardness and having suffered their
never-ending elitist/holier-than-thou discrimination and derision.

> The requirements for Morse proficiency are Federal law,

They are administrative rules, subject to modernization and change,
were it not for the efforts of Luddite groups like ARRL/FISTS.

> which is coordinated with international laws.

The ITU treaty does not specify ANY speed test requirement ... 5wpm
or even 5 words per week would COMPLETELY satisfy any treaty obligations.

> You make it sound like code is an initiation into a secret faternity.

That is EXACTLY what it is ... nothing more, nothing less ... the
ARRL/FISTS/Morseodist Luddites have insisted on the maintenance of
the Morse hazing ritual as a rite of initiation into their "fraternity"
in order to limit entrance into "their playground" (the HF bands).
This is an abuse of Federal regulatory authority to support the desires
of a minority special interest group at the expense of the public interest
goals set forth for the ARS in Part 97.1.

> If you are not happy with the laws as written, redirect your
> energy from newsgroup postings, to letters to legislative personnel--where it
> would do far more good.

Many of us (most licensed US hams, IMHO ... note that the ARRL is a DISTINCT minority, NOT the "representative" group it claims to be) are NOT happy with the rules as written and seek to change them. However, it is necessary to continue the debate in forums such as usenet in order to build the consensus and momentum necessary to burst the illusionary bubble of "representation of the masses of US hams" that the ARRL has managed to maintain despite the facts to the contrary.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

p.s. If reading threads relating to this issue is disturbing to you there is an easy solution ... simply don't read them.

2182. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124211400.QAA09464@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180700

In article <6aarrs$l3i@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

>
Why not make up characters to indicate upper-case and lower-case, et cetera,
>and submit them to the ITU, to be appended to the Morse code?
You can call
>them the Flack addendums - you might become famous.
Jeff KH2PZ

Interesting idea, and one with precedent. WLO uses a curious "di-di-dah-dah" character for cairrage return in their 31 WPM automated CW broadcasts. Some terminal programs already recognize it. In fact, the only reason I figured out what it was is my PK-232 and Pakratt II don't know what to do with it and so do not do a CR, while HAMCOMM does not print it but does the CR.

There is no reason why Morse Code cannot evolve. The only important thing is to keep it ear-copiable and hand-sendable. If it becomes too unwieldy to use without a terminal, all we will have done is created an inferior RTTY. The main selling point for Morse is it is usable with ear and key, keeping equipment requirements simple.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2183. Re: HTX-202 Handi

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124211400.QAA08123@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180701

In article <6a6cou$gdn@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>, Stephen Eagle
<LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net> writes:

>
Looking for junker HTX-202 Radio Shack handi-talkies. Need hardware
to
>repair one for blind Ham. Finals can be blown, exterior condition
not
>important, accessories not important. Parts I need are on the
mainboard and
>are hardware primarily. Your help greatly appreciated. I
will be glad to
>pay shipping.
replies via: LKBlackburn@worldnet.att.net

Good luck! The HTX-202 might be a big. clunky old radio, but it's fairly
rugged. You'll look long and far, I think, before you find one with blown
finals, even though Radio Shack has sold a dodecazillion of them.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2184. Re: Looking for a good HF wire antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124211400.QAA09471@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180702

In article <6abr8k$8am$1@usenet51.supernews.com>, "M. Neiner"
<m9er@soundcom.net> writes:

>
I live in a one story house and would like to run a wire antenna between
>the
eve of my house and a decent size tree on my lot. I was hoping that
>there
exists a good design which would allow me to end feed the antenna from
>my
house vice the middle (in the case of a dipole). A straight long wire is
>out
of the question because I don't think I could provide it a good
>enough
ground. I've heard of a design called the Zepplin. Any suggestions on
>Web
sites or designs. 10 meters opened up the other day and on a cheesy
>homebrew
dipole I got out to Texas and Oklahoma from the state of
>Washington.

Mike, there is a single band antenna,called (incorrectly?) an end-fed dipole. Measure back 1/4 wave from the bitter end of your coax, and make a choke by coiling a bunch of your coax in about a 10" diameter coil. usually 8 to 15 turns will do it. To the center conductor at the bitter end, solder 1/4 wave of wire. That's all there is to it. This antenna could probably be made to work pretty well, but I instinctively doubt that it would be as good as a good centerfed inverted vee. There is a lot of room for optimization of the coil figures in my admittedly vague description.

The classic Zepp, so named because it was commonly used on zeppelins, is just 1/4 wave of open wire ladderline end feeding a 1/2 wave wire. One conductor only is connected to the 1/2 wave radiator. The other connects to... NOTHING! it looks ridiculous at first glance, but it actually works. It was a practical expedient for airships because they could easily trail their antenna underneath. Don't confuse this antenna with it's far moe efficient cousin, the Extended Double Zepp. The EDZ is basically a dipole with the elements .64 wave long, and the ladder line feeder .145 wave long. divide the freq in MHz into 630 for element length and 135 for feeder length. Assuming 450 ohm ladder line, use a 1:1 balun to match the feeder to coax of any length needed to reach your rig. This antenna has some gain over a regular 1/2 wave coax fed dipole. The regular Zepp is not as good as a dipole.

Don't dismiss that "cheesy" dipole. A well designed dipole is a pretty decent performer for such a simple antenna. I prefer an inverted vee conffiguration,

since at resonance it more closely approaches 50 ohms. This allows me to use a SWR meter to trim the antenna to resonance much more accurately than the same method used for a regular flat dipole. I slope my ends down about 20 degrees below horizontal. Ideally, the coax comes off the antenna at a right angle for at least 1/4 wave.

Currently, due to mounting and supporting limitations, I am using an end fed antenna... 100 feet of wire with a tuner. I do get some radiation in the shack, but nothing I can't deal with. My TV is only about 10 or 12 feet away from the antenna feedpoint, but TVI isn't bad. My computer is about 5 feet away, and I only have to turn it off to work a station waaaaay down in the noise. I would try an end fed dipole, but the random wire gives fair multi-band performance and the end fed dipole does not.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2185. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34CA76AD.2669@no.net>
Source record: 180703

Tim Hynde wrote:

> Rambo is 75m the only band you ever listen to? their are 8 other HF bands which
> exibit none of the 'phenomenon' you describe above. I guess if 75m went away you
> wouldn't have much of an argument left.
>
> --

It really amusing how the cbers will point to a few frequencies on the
ham bands to claim that ham radio sounds as bad or worse than cb, but
you can tune to ANY cb channel and hear all the garbage.

2186. @@@ Cancel @@@

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ca5e8a.662221@news.total.net>
Source record: 180704
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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>From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy)
>Date: 1998/01/20
>Message-ID: <6a2u56$ao7@anchor.cis.att.com>
>Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur
>[More Headers]

> Automatic cancel message requested by WorldNet.

Give me a break.
Who is cancelling my articles ??
Which ones cancelled by whom ??
If someone cancels my articles because he hates me, I will cancel
anything that I don't like.

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2187. a question concerning the dx-60 transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34ca656d.34539028@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 180705

greetings

During the first 3 or 4 years of my amateur licence, I used the dx-60. From there I went to the hw-100, etc.

Recently I found the meter from my old dx-60. I has two scaled ranges, one for grid and one for plate current.

While I was using the transmitter, I often looked at the schematic and marvelled at how all the circuitry came together to make a working transmitter.. I remember seeing the parallel resistor they used to increase the current range on this meter and give the plate current range.

At present, I would like to use the meter plate current range in a more modern project but, so far, I can't find the dx-60 manual.

Does anyone have the manual and can tell me what the parallel resistor resistance value was/is. If they used two reistors, one for plate and one from grid, would you let me know what each one was?
Thanks Larry ve3fxq

2188. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c92f0d.253569174@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180764
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 13:08:52 -0600, John Miles <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net>
wrote:

>The above is one point of view. Another point of view is that I've
>never seen a scientifically-controlled test that has EVER conclusively
>demonstrated, documented, and explained harmful interference to a
>safety-critical piece of avionics equipment or navaid by an
>FCC-certified consumer device (meaning, other than devices whose main
>purpose is to transmit RF energy) operated in the passenger cabin.
>
>Mostly what I've seen is a lot of paranoia and hype from uninformed
>people, even including (gasp!) licensed commercial pilots. Do you have
>any specific references in which this type of problem has been
>thoroughly investigated by someone who understands that correlation does
>not imply causality? I want to hear frequencies, field strengths, modes
>of modulation, antenna proximities, receiver intercept points... not
>"well, golly, I turned on my laptop and the artificial horizon did a
>flip-flop!"

An incident report, and there are thousands on file, is enough evidence
to take prudent action. In many cases, a suitably strong correlation has
been established by turning on and off the consumer electronics in the
cabin. The possible interactions among the universe of consumer equipment
which might be operated aboard an airliner are simply so large that no thorough
controlled test is possible which would reliably say that you can use consumer
item A on board but not consumer item B. Either alone might be fine, but the
presence of item C on board could confound that. If you've ever attempted to
do IMD calculations for a site with many emitters, you know that the problem
very quickly becomes too large to model effectively.

>Still another point of view is that if such an instance of interference
>to a safety-critical system has, in fact, occurred, then there is an
>issue of criminal negligence on the part of the FAA for permitting such
>poorly-designed avionics equipment and archaic modulation modes to be
>used on board passenger aircraft in the first place.

Installed base. There's no way the airways systems are going to change
over worldwide at the same time, and that is exactly what would be required
if a different modulation type were to be adopted. AM has certain advantages
for aircraft communications and navigation which would be cumbersone
to duplicate with other systems. It has certain drawbacks as well, but the
logistics of making a switch are so daunting that it isn't going to happen
when the problem can be avoided by restricting consumer emitters on
board the aircraft.

>Another way of expressing the latter point of view: if some kid with a
>Game Boy in aisle 25 can bring down the plane by booting up Mario at the
>wrong moment, I think I'll take Amtrak, thank you very much.

Then you can deal with bad track and idiots racing the train to a crossing.
It is much easier to police passenger use of consumer electronics than it
is to regulate the interaction of millions of drivers with the railway system.

>Beyond that, are you somehow privy to aspects of the KAL007 incident of
>which the rest of the world is unaware? I'd be interested in hearing
>more about the "source of tragedy" you mention.

We'll never know exactly why they went off course, but the belief is that
they made an erroneous entry into their on board inertial platform before
takeoff. What happened to KAL007 illustrates how a minor course error
can have fatal consequences. That sort of course error, though usually
not with Soviet fighter intervention, could also occur due to interference
with radio navigation systems, and it *has*. There are many incident reports
confirming that.

>Really, Gary, this kind of groundless, anecdotal paranoia is beneath the
>usual high quality standard of your posts.

I am content to stand by the conclusions reached by the FAA and NTSB
about the hazards of uncontrolled operation of consumer devices on
aircraft. The only way to assure safety without restrictions on consumer
electronics is to perform a total EMC test on every aircraft with every
passenger load and passenger consumer device combination. That's
so obviously impractical and absurd, the only prudent course is to
simply ban use of the devices on board aircraft in flight.

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2189. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34c93426.254874303@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180765
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 07:44:45 GMT, glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) wrote:
>spammers@must.die.com (KF6IIU) wrote:
>
>>There is plenty of evidence. From:
>>
>>http://www-afo.arc.nasa.gov/ASRS/cb_201.html
>>
>>"After departing VFR, I picked up an IFR flight plan, and was given a
>>clearance. Abeam one
>>intersection, Approach advised that I was 7 miles south of course
>>and provided a heading to
>>reintercept. I began course correction and configured the Loran
>>for course guidance. On further
>>comparison, it was determined that both VOR receivers were
>>suspect as they both indicated 8 degrees off. This prompted a
>>query of the two passengers, children ages 7 and 12, after which
>>it was found that both were using portable tape players. Both
>>units were turned off, and the VOR receivers returned to normal
>>operation. "
>
>I don't think I want to ride on an aircraft which can be that easily
>screwed up by a kid's toy.

Then you'd better stay on the ground, because they all can. Usually,
the consequences aren't fatal, but they can be and they have been.
Air carriers take a number of steps to reduce that risk. One is the
use of separate navigation systems which can be cross-checked
against each other. Another is to order passengers to refrain from
using consumer devices which haven't been certified as compatible
with flight avionics.

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2190. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c9344f.4807854@news.total.net>
Source record: 180766
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:37:29 -0500, Phil Heaton
<ke4krt@mindspring.com> wrote:

>--
> / INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
>/
>--
>
> A new ARRL Director who has vowed to take hams who use indecent
>language off the amateur bands says that he wants tape recordings of
>alleged offenders sent directly to him. Joe Falcone, N8TI says that he
>will use the recordings as proof to the FCC that the problem is
>nationwide in scope.
>
> Specifically, N8TI is looking for good quality off-air cassette tape
>recordings that clearly demonstrate that a violation has taken place.
>The
>audio quality must be good enough so that anyone hearing the tape will
>recognize the language being used without the need to replay it a second
>or third time. This means using a direct connection to your transceiver
>or receiver.
>
> Also, make certain to label the tape with the alleged offender's
>name. Include the location the transmission was recorded, the operating
>frequency of the station, the date, time of day and the name of the
>person who recorded it.
>
>Send these tapes to :
>Joe Falcone, N8TI
>9614 Arden Ave.
>Livonia, Michigan 48150
>
>---End forwarded message---
>
><wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.
>
>Phil
>---
>Phil Heaton
>ke4krt@mindspring.com
>http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

We thought all HFers went through cleaning process. why do we want
this ?? We thought all amateurs who knew the CW were excellent hams.

(hahaha)

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2191. I am CB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c9357d.5110319@news.total.net>
Source record: 180767
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I am CB (C utie B oy). I am a nice CB.

I am not CW (Cybe** Wo***). If you like CW, please leave.

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2192. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6abc7c$5lo@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180768
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 23 Jan 1998 07:37:45 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) posted:

>D. Townsend <pog@bellsouth.net> wrote:

>> Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
>>off by the code requirements.
>
>Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
>6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
>conducted in that region.

If I read this correctly, the meaning might more accurately be "All you no-code types stay off HF and leave it to the 'big boys'." Very collegial attitude. There is no reason an Amateur cannot access the HF bands as long as the necessary license is in hand. That said licenses currently require ridiculous code testing requirements which need to be removed is the whole point behind D.'s comments. Code testing requirements have no place in Amateur Radio license testing in this modern age. But, then again, some people need to be brought kicking and screaming into the present, don't they? =0)

>> but we need a constant infusion
>>of new people and ideas or the ARS will not be competive with the newer
>>technologies.
>
>Ummm, who are we supposed to be competition with? The military? The
>maritime service? The telephone industry?

In the immortal words of Pogo, "We have met the enemy, and it is us!"

>You still haven't shown how the ARS is being "strangled."

Open your eyes and ears: One need only view the comments of YD, MD, JH (look in the mirror), then listen to the HF bands, and one sees immediately how Amateur Radio is being strangled. IMO, the attitudes, words, actions (physical and verbal), and extreme resistance to changes that threaten/affect the useless traditions of the supposedly "elite" licensees of the Amateur Radio service do more to suffocate and depress Amateur Radio than anything else. What else do you need?

>Jeff KH2PZ, H0CW

2193. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Wayne <wayneb@lightstream.net>
Message-ID: <34C93615.3F78@lightstream.net>
Source record: 180769
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
>
> X-No-Archive: yes
>
> >>J M Noeding wrote:
> >>>
> >>> On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
> >>> wrote:
> >>>
> >>> >Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
> >>> >CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the
> other
> >>> >way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW
> op. but
> >>> >why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment
> appears
> >>> >here and there?
> >>> >I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me
> alone
> >>> >and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
>
> Although I realize this is as much an emotional issue as a technical
> one, I think you are missing the point here.
>
> Nobody would argue that CW was first, nor that it should not be allowed
> anywhere on the bands... this is how it should be and I personally have
> benefitted from this at times. During the 43 years I have been
> licensed I have done my share of brass pounding and have enjoyed it.
>
> The problem is IMHO, the requirement of CW profficiency is strangling
> the hobby and as each older 'CW capable' ham becomes a Silent Key, the
> ranks grow thinner.
>
> Politicians only understand one thing... raw numbers of voters. As the
> ham ranks shrink, because young people are not interested in learning
> skills that are at the very least archaic, we grow weaker in the eyes
> of those in Washington who would be only too happy to sell our
> frequencies to their telecommunications buddies that have bought and
> paid for them and have already taken the ability to LISTEN to portions
> of the RF spectrum away from regular, tax paying, law abiding
> Americans.
>
> The hobby is sick, perhaps even nearly terminal, and personally I see

> deleting the code requirement from all classes of license except
> perhaps Extra Class as the only way the hobby will continue to live
> even if it never gets healthy again.
>
> In a world of the Internet, with world-wide dependable communications
> available at the touch of any keyboard that is connected to a computer
> with a modem and an ISP, it seems to me there is very little, if any,
> justification to require an ability to handle CW.
>
> This is not to say that CW should be banned from the airwaves. There
> are many devotees of CW and they have their place just as much as those
> who live for Satellite communications or packet or SSTV or DX or
> Experimenting... this is, after-all, just a hobby and there are many
> fascets to that hobby.
>
> The concern is, one aspect of the hobby is the 'tail wagging the dog'.
> If CW profficiency is to be required as a pre-requisite to enjoying the
> hobby of Amateur Radio, then an equal profficiency should be
> demonstrated by having a typing speed of, say, 80 WPM or a
> demonstratable knowledge of Meterology, or a proven ability with the
> intricacies of Radio Astronomy!
>
> As a long time Ham, it concerns me that the hobby I have known and
> enjoyed for most of my lifetime could become a thing of the past
> because of the dogmatic requirement that a neophite in the hobby must
> learn to use an archaic form of communications. One only has to look
> at the numbers to see the hobby is aging and few young people are
> interested in joining the ranks. Unless some common sense prevails and
> I would have to guess, it should be soon... the hobby of Amateur Radio,
> at least in America, could easily go the way of other fraternal
> organizations... When was the last time you heard of an "Odd Fellows"
> lodge?
>
> Michelle Hunt
> W0YMW
> Amateur Advanced
> Michell5@ix.netcom.com
>
> The problem

Are we sure young people won't enjoy code? I started at an age of 13 because code was fun. Maybe code should be advertised to the young as one of the "fun" aspects of the hobby.

Just a different twist to the saga.....

Wayne KC8Q

2194. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c934c9.4929972@news.total.net>
Source record: 180770
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 20:40:27 GMT, billsohl@planet.net (Bill Sohl)
wrote:

>>go to Altavista.com
>
>If all one can do is send me to a search engine, that
>sure doesn't show any familiarity with any such
>software in terms of usability, costs, etc.

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French, Spanish, Portugese and something else and vice versa.

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2195. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c934f2.4970856@news.total.net>
Source record: 180771
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 00:25:14 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>Altavista has a translation program that translates English into
>French, Spanish, Portugese and something else and vice versa.

it is free by the way.

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2196. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124004700.TAA14767@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180772

In article <6aaq3k$iua@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>,
cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us (Carl Gibbs) writes:

>you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
each
>other on the air.

Funny. I hear this exact phenomenon you describe on the 75m ham band. Much
more so than on CB, in fact.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2197. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124004701.TAA13541@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180773

In article <6aajl2$5cf$1@usenet50.supernews.com>, "M. Neiner"
<m9er@soundcom.net> writes:

>At one time I was really excited about CB RADIO. Too bad I had to leave
>it
off when my children were in the car. I finally took it out of my car
>and
sold it. I sure didn't hear many people talking about real - life
>interests.

You'll hear even less on the HF ham bands. Endless diatribes between elderly white men about health ailments, the weather, and their lives "back in the good old days." Zzzzzzzzzzz...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2198. Re: Lids and channelized 2m FM simplex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124005501.TAA14920@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180774

In article <6a34ro$nj3$1@w3eax.umd.edu>, ham@w3eax.umd.edu (Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I]) writes:

>To all:

What, again, is your excuse for not following voluntary band
>plans?

They were created by the League, and since you're not a member,
>it
doesn't apply to you?

Sounds like a good reason to me. Anything the ARRL is in favor of, I am generally opposed to, and vice-versa.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2199. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124011201.UAA17511@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180775

In article <19980123235001.SAA05407@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com
(RCrusoe) writes:

>The novice bands provide a lot of other activity besides 10M fone. Anyway,
>you
can't work CW, RTTY, SSTV, etc on CB, nor may you run 100 or more watts
>output
power. The operator is spoonfed his operating freqs on CB, with
>pre-set
channels.

Most experienced operators, however, tend to use more "capable" equipment.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2200. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124011201.UAA18738@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180776

In article <19980123231501.SAA29585@ladder02.news.aol.com>, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) writes:

>I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech
>typically
doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and
>"gentleman's
agreements?"

And why should he when the ARRL takes the exact opposite position on most issues of importance to him?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2201. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124011200.UAA17526@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180777

In article <6a9int$re4@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

>True, but it does add credibility to one's comments. As an analogy, you could
>participate in say, the rec.aircraft.* groups without having earned a pilot's
>license, but would anyone believe the details of flight situations you've
>encountered?

Poor analogy, Jeffy. I've earned the license.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2202. homepage is updated now !!! Amateurfunk CB-Funk Packet Radio and more

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Miroslaw Detona <Andre.Vesen@Pironet.de>
Message-ID: <01bd286b$11bc3280$1ab740c2@default>
Source record: 180778
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Wow the homepage from McFly alias AV1STO is updated !

NEW 11Site`s about Amateurfunk with this Title`s:
EME - QSO via Earth - Month - Earth
Packet Radio at Amateur-Funk
legislation ot Amateurfunk from 1949 and 1997
the Q-Code for Amateurfunk
CONTEST

the server for the United States of America:
http://www.stommeln.com/andre/index.htm

the server for Europe Union (EU):
http://www.koeln.netsurf.de/~Andre.Vesen/welcome.html

2203. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnorris@k7nono.com
Message-ID: <34c94df1.19866961@news.dancris.com>
Source record: 180779
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Wayne <wayneb@lightstream.net> wrote:

>
>Are we sure young people won't enjoy code? I started at an age of 13
>because code was fun. Maybe code should be advertised to the young as
>one of the "fun" aspects of the hobby.
>
>Just a different twist to the saga..........
>
>Wayne KC8Q

I take note that today is the 42 nd anniversary of my ham career. I started as KN0DON in 1956 and did so because I particularly enjoyed CW. My elmers, W0DSP and K0AVW, may they rest in peace, encouraged me to operate, any mode, any way. Just enjoy!

To date, of my 35879 QSO's, 19046 have been CW. I was 14 years old then and gess I just didn't know any better.

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2204. ZeroBeat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: jldavis@one.net
Message-ID: <slrn6ciluk.8ro.jldavis@shell.one.net>
Source record: 180780

ZeroBeat is a weekly review of Ham Radio Web sites. The latest edition was just posted.

http://jehosophat.com/

2205. Re: Morse Programs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <6ablat$fj6$6@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 180781

Super morse will use the sound card....

73,
Tom

>jon wrote:
>>
>> Has anyone got a morse code program which uses the sound card rather
>> than the internal speaker as this always seems to be too quiet. If
>> the sound card was used I would be able to use headphones and have no
>> distractions.
>> Please Email direct to: jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk
>> Or post to this news group.
>>
>> Thank You
>>
>> 73s Jon
>
>--
> Bob Carter - N0RUC Peter Winters - N0RUG
> pbjmotorsports@compuserve.com pwinters@isd.net
> 1994 Ford Ranger U2S 1990 Ford Bronco T4S
> "Its the navigators fault" "I said Left, not Right!"
> pb&j motorsports
> SCCA-LOL Rallycross
> SCCA-LOL Road Rally

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
trandall@mhv.net Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club /ARRL/10-10
APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!
Member: AAVSO Solar Division

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

2206. Re: How Do I Protect My Gear From EMP?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: n8blk@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124031801.WAA08768@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180782

In article <34C834D4.1E4C@earthlink.net>, Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
writes:

>Thanks for giving the guy a honest answer, why does argon help?

It's supposed to stop oxidation, and if the Argon gets excited enough,
it conducts, offering more protection against a strong electro-
magnetic field.

It should be noted that tube equipment is supposed to be less
susceptible to EMP damage, so everyone better get a spare
HW101 or other easily obtainable but usable tube rig, that's
also easy to repair. Of course, I have to be serious now, and wonder
just who will be around to work after a large strike, but I don't know
everything!
-art clemons-

2207. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: jdaggett@gate.net
Message-ID: <34ca6170.7352786@news.gate.net>
Source record: 180783
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

I'll send him a tape of Debbie Does Dallas! Will that do?

Regards

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:37:29 -0500, Phil Heaton
<ke4krt@mindspring.com> wrote:

>--
> / INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
>/
>--
>
> A new ARRL Director who has vowed to take hams who use indecent
>language off the amateur bands says that he wants tape recordings of
>alleged offenders sent directly to him. Joe Falcone, N8TI says that he
>will use the recordings as proof to the FCC that the problem is
>nationwide in scope.
>
> Specifically, N8TI is looking for good quality off-air cassette tape
>recordings that clearly demonstrate that a violation has taken place.
>The
>audio quality must be good enough so that anyone hearing the tape will
>recognize the language being used without the need to replay it a second
>or third time. This means using a direct connection to your transceiver
>or receiver.
>
> Also, make certain to label the tape with the alleged offender's
>name. Include the location the transmission was recorded, the operating
>frequency of the station, the date, time of day and the name of the
>person who recorded it.
>
>Send these tapes to :
>Joe Falcone, N8TI
>9614 Arden Ave.
>Livonia, Michigan 48150
>
>---End forwarded message---
>
><wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.
>
>Phil
>---
>Phil Heaton
>ke4krt@mindspring.com

>http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

2208. Need help with Yaesu FT-101EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: mjohn6@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <34c96778.13409828@nntp.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180784

I have a Yaesu 101EX that has not been used for sixteen years (other than as a receiver for the past year). I just became a Tech Plus and tuned the rig per. the manual for 10m and can only get it to trans. at nine watts. I had a ham friend tune it on 80m and the output was 120 watts.

Can anyone give me some idea what may be the problem? Any info would be appreciated.

DE KF4HFG (Mark)
mjohn6@ix.netcom.com

2209. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Spam@sucks.com
Message-ID: <34caa15d.48955172@news.cmgate.com>
Source record: 180785
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:37:29 -0500, Phil Heaton
<ke4krt@mindspring.com>(commie mother fucker)wrote:

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The
audio quality must be good enough so that anyone hearing the tape will
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>
Send these tapes to :
Joe Falcone, N8TI
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Livonia, Michigan 48150

---End forwarded message---
>
><wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.
>
>Phil
>---
>Phil Heaton
>ke4krt@mindspring.com

>http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

Ist ammendment motherfucker. Piss off commie bastard!!!

2210. Rain Dial-Up for Jan 23-29, 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: arnoldr@ollie.ralabs.com
Message-ID: <34c8a865.1548112@news.axess.net>
Source record: 180786

This is being posted at the request of Hap KC9RP who does not currently have usenet news access. Please direct your questions about RAIN to Hap at

hholly@nospam.ollie.ralabs.com

(Note: delete the "nospam." in the above address for the actual mailing address)

The RAIN Dialup for Jan. 23-29, 1998 includes:

"Phase 3D, A Refresher", an excerpt from the 1997 Dayton Hamvention Amsat forum talk by Ed Krome/K9EK, Southern Indiana Amsat Coordinator (7 minutes, 41 seconds).

"Telex Hygain's Test Range", a short excerpt from a Hap Holly/KC9RP interview with Telex-Hygain senior antena engineer Roger Cox/WB0DGF, talking about Hygain's indoor/outdoor testing range (4 minutes).

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2211. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124124601.HAA00817@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180787

Just for clarification, there is no such thing as a "CW Band Allication" in the USA. Unlike other modes, CW is permissible in any portion of the Amateur bands.

You may be confusing regulations with band plans.

Yrac

2212. Attention * Montreal Area Accessible Repeaters *

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34c9e2d1.1642484@news.total.net>
Source record: 180788
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm

- All Amateur Bands -> 10m to 900 MHz !! It includes packets
!!

- 130 amateur repeaters (including illegal ones !!) and
amateur beacons listed !!

- CTCSS Info Included !!

- Autopatch info

- Repeater ID

- Net info

- 1W HT accessible from Downtown Montreal ? It answers for
you !!

Available at:

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm

Please bookmark this page !!

2213. Re: Plans 2m ladder antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124125101.HAA29751@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180789

>
>Looking for anyone who could direct me to the write page for
>construction plans on a 2 meter 300 ohm ladder line antenna.

What you are seeking will be in antenna manuals, indexed as a "Folded Dipole". On 2 meters, I make mine from high quality TV ribbon, because it has more physical strength than ladder line.

The advantages are many. The most noticable will be the low losses in the feed line. You will be able to see an improvement on both transmit and receive. I mount mine vertically, secured to a wooden pole. Bring the feed line out at right angles to the antenna for at least 1/4 wavelength.

Converting the output of your radio to 300 ohm line is so simple, it will make you wonder why anyone uses coax at these frequencies. See the manuals for "coaxial baluum".

Yrac

2214. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124125901.HAA01713@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180790

Marc.K wrote:
>
>Actually, the SSB channel on the old 23 Channel band was channel 16-I'm
>rather sure that at least some SSB operations still occur there.
>

Hi, Marc. Interesting bit of history, but that was many years ago. I have never heard SSB on Ch. 16, but it could be happening, somewhere I suppose. I would prefer to be on the upper channels of the present band, where all the SSB action is.

I stand by my original advice to Bill, which is reprinted below (and which acknowledged that one MIGHT hear SSB on Ch. 1-23).

Yrac

>>
>: >I'm asking specifically about Sideband mode - as opposed to normal AM
>: >mode. I want to make sure that SSB mode is not treated as an HF Ham
>: >frequency because of the mode.
>: >-
>
>: Bill:
>: The other postings are correct; CB is CB. An amateur license is not
>relevant.
>
>: However, I am wondering if your 23 channel CB radio has SSB, or are you
>going
>: to take an amateur transmitter down there?
>
>: By the way, the SSB operators are on the upper four channels. You will not
>find
>: much, if any, SSB operation on ch. 1 thru 23. You probably will annoy a
>bunch
>: of folks by using it there. Just an observation.
>
>: Yrac

2215. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124131101.IAA02595@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180791

Todd Dugdale observed:

>> The no-code licences have saved amateur radio in the u.s. from oblivion.
>Now
>>hams insist that if these newcomers want to talk to rest of the nation or
>the
>>world, they had better do what the OT's had to do--learn code. That's
>>gratitude.

Yrac's Opinion:

Hams are not "insisting" on anything, nor is this "gratitude" directed toward newcomers, as you call it. Reading between the lines, one senses a lot of hostility in your posts. Only you can choose whether this will be channelled for a good cause.

The requirements for Morse proficiency are Federal law, which is coordinated with international laws. You make it sound like code is an initiation into a secret faternity. If you are not happy with the laws as written, redirect your energy from newsgroup postings, to letters to legislative personnel--where it would do far more good.

Yrac

2216. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CA0B3A.235F@geocities.com>
Source record: 180792

Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: 24 Jan 1998 13:11:06 GMT
> From: yrac@aol.com (Yrac)
> Organization: AOL http://www.aol.com
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <34c7ea78.2320059@news.total.net>
>
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>
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>
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> newcomers, as you call it. Reading between the lines, one senses a lot of
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> with international laws. You make it sound like code is an initiation into a
> secret faternity. If you are not happy with the laws as written, redirect your
> energy from newsgroup postings, to letters to legislative personnel--where it
> would do far more good.
>
> Yrac

The is a best half right. The Relavent treaty states nothing about the
speed of Morse Required, the text of the Treaty as currently writtied
would met by a 1 letter per minute. The FCC part 97 is part of the
regulations cr3eated by the FCC to follow the Comunicattions act of
1934, as ammended. I have not read that law, but do not think it has
any morse requirements, in it at all for ARS. The FCC is record as
wishing to maintain the Morse requirement because the the ARRL wishes
its. The treaty itself is reviewed regularly, recents moves to remove
the morse provisions have been opposed by the US , allegedly because we
the ARS operator say we want it retained. Therefore the only the Morse
can be dealt with is to convince our fellow amatuers that Morse

REQUIREMENTS, which isn't the the same as morse use, should be consigned to history.

All in all the idea that Morse is maintained by law, noit because some hams wish it, is as big a lie as Hilter's claims that the WW2 started because Poland attacked Germany.

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

2217. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6acsrs$3a4$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180793
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6abc7c$5lo@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>,
Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:

>>Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
>>6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
>>conducted in that region.
>
> If I read this correctly, the meaning might more accurately be "All you
>no-code types stay off HF and leave it to the 'big boys'."

It only reads that way if you're a charter member of the No-Code Agenda looking for more conspiracy theories than Mel Gibson.

The plain fact of the matter was that in the mid 1980's the codeless tech license was sold to amateur radio on this premise: it would bring hoardes of technical geniuses into our hobby who would flood the VHF+ bands, saving them from reallocation, while at the same time (because they are geniuses) would lead the charge in technical innovation and bring amateur radio into the 21st century.

Its all there in black-and-white. Go back and read some of the editorial comments and letters-to-the-editor from different magazines of that era.

Fast forward a decade, and now, when the codeless tech license has been an abject failure with its goals (yes, it has brought a lot of people into ham radio, but it hasn't fulfilled any of the goals it as promised to) we have the No-Code Agenda pushing for a codeless HF license.

Back in the 80's, there was a lot of skepticism regarding the codeless VHF license, and most of those who opposed it did so because they realized two things: 1) it was a dead-end license for people -- once licensed, they have nowhere to go; 2) Shortly thereafter, they knew the No-Coders would be back demanding Codeless HF access.

The No-Code Agenda is very insidious, and similar to that used by other radical groups like Handgun Control, Inc. The goal of this latter is to ban all guns -- but, they know such an idea is too radical, and would never be supported, so instead they take the "baby steps" approach -- ban a few guns at a time, and before you know it -- whooosh! All guns are banned.

The No-Code Agenda has adopted a similar, albeit shortened, strategy. First they went after VHF, and once they got that, they turned their heads to HF. Never mind that all the promises of the codeless VHF license were a bunch of bunk.

The codeless license was supposed to be a panacea for VHF operation.
The vast majority of technical experimentation -- high data rate thruput,
spread spectrum voice, etc. -- all require large amounts of bandwidth which
exist on VHF and *not* on HF.

If "technical experimentation" is your goal, then VHF is your destination.
And, we *already* have a license, without any code requirement, to let you
get on there in as little as 5 to 7 days (take the test on Monday, and you
can virtually have your license via the Internet in 5 days) and start
experimenting. All this, mind you, with a theory exam that is predominently
rules/regs, has very little electronics theory, yet gives you the capacity to
fry your own brain. How much easier can it get? How much easier do you want
it?

On the other hand, there is very little technical experimentation which
occurs on HF (sure, some will try and concoct some ludicrous story to
cover their real motives, but even if you accept their story as true, they
[the HF experimenters] are in a vast minority compared to the type of
technical experimentation that would/should occur on the VHF bands.)
The *ONLY* rationale for a codeless HF license is to quickly and easily
give people access to HF phone, so they can get on the radio and start
calling SSSSSEEEEEEEAAAAA-CCCCCCCUUUUUUEEEEEEE DDDDDEEEEEEEEE-XXXXXXX!

The No-Code Agenda is a lie, just as it was in the mid 80's. And, its our
duty to stop it.

> Open your eyes and ears: One need only view the comments of YD, MD, JH (look
>in the mirror), then listen to the HF bands, and one sees immediately how
>Amateur Radio is being strangled.

My logbook is loaded with contacts. Whenever I get on the radio (which I
admit is less than I would like) I have zero difficulty finding someone to
converse with.

>IMO, the attitudes, words, actions (physical and verbal)

The *ONLY* person on these newsgroups who has *ever* suggested a physical
act against another ham is Spew Durigan, aka CB Bimbo, who openly
encourages people to pin other people's coax and rip down their antennas when
you disagree with them. (of course, he also calls all mexicans lazy, and
says that aids is god's revenge on gays, so you can judge for yourself the
kind of kook he is...)

>and extreme resistance to changes that threaten/affect the useless
>traditions of the supposedly "elite" licensees of the Amateur Radio service do
>more to suffocate and depress Amateur Radio than anything else. What else do
>you need?

There is no resistance to change in amateur radio. Amateur radio is many
things to many people. Some like EME, some like CW. However, we are a
nation of laws. Amateur radio has a series of regulations to follow, and
some of those deal with licensing requirements. Fulfill the requirements
and get a license. Its that easy.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2218. Re: FS/SWAP for Tube Tester--Sony Turntable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124145901.JAA12287@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180794

In article <6a7nljamp5@csu-b.csuohio.edu>, l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu (Bostonian) writes:

>SONY PS-LX210 DIRECT DRIVE AUTOMATIC SINGLE PLAY TURNTABLE

Sony's "No
>Frills" basic direct drive turntable in excellent
condition. Have photo of
>unit in .jpg file format to email you
if desired.

This spammage relates to amateur radio because...
"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2219. Re: FS/SWAP for Tube Tester--8 Track/Reel to Reel Dub Deck by Akai/Roberts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124145900.JAA13566@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180795

In article <6a7noaamp6@csu-b.csuohio.edu>, l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu (Bostonian) writes:

>Unusual AKAI/ROBERTS 1725-8L III REEL TO REEL & 8 TRACK DUB DECK

A Very
>Unusual deck for 8 Track lovers. This unit was probably
made by Akai is my
>guess for Roberts. Says Made in Tokyo Japan
on it.

And this relates to amateur radio because...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2220. New telemarketing scam!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Hung-Lo@feedME
Message-ID: <34ca04ba.0@lightning.ica.net>
Source record: 180796
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.feedme

I'm so pissed I could shit!

There is a new (and apparently "legal") way to steal
from you. You've probably gotten a phone call from
a telemarketer who represents one of your credit card
companies. I usually hang up. But they have a new
way to sell this crap to you, and it's VERY sneaky!

Today I received a mailing from Citibank Visa. It's
your typical junk mail, trying to sell me a member-
ship to some travel service called "Citibank Travel".
Like most of my junk mail, I throw it in the trash.
Five minutes later, I remember an incident that
happened last summer when I threw away some junk
mail and got the damn service anyway.

Here's what they do. They automatically charge your
account WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION! The way you stop
them from doing this is to call a toll free number
telling them NO. But this number is ALWAYS busy!
(This is to assure that you do not cancel the
membership.)

This practice is nothing but stealing! I've tried
to contact my Congressman about it, but they are
afraid to go up against the big banks like Citibank,
Superior, MBNA, etc. and challenge this rude and
obnoxious practice.

My question: Is there a lawyer in the house? What
can the average consumer do about this practice?
I know you can issue a "charge-back" to these jerks,
but that's after the fact that they've raided your
account. What recourse do we have????

Hung-Lo

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2221. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Roger E. Willis" <r.willis@mci2000.com>
Message-ID: <HDny.30380$GL.396297@news.internetMCI.com>
Source record: 180797

Yrac, I think your opinion is great. I'm with you. Your the only one on here that seems to understand the system.

R. Willis

2222. Trade PowerBook 160 for HF equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rpstech@roxbury.org
Message-ID: <6ad0cm$mf0@chile.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180798
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,nj.forsale

I would like to trade a Mac PowerBook 160 for a HF rig.

4 mb memory/350 mb hard drive. System 7.1 installed.
Excellent condition.

Located in New Jersey but will ship.

Email for more information

73
George - N2TMC
rpstech@roxbury.org

2223. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rhawk@megabits.net
Message-ID: <34ca091e.7171151@news.megabits.net>
Source record: 180799
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 08:10:34 GMT, Spam@sucks.com (UNCLECHARLIE) wrote:

>On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:37:29 -0500, Phil Heaton
><ke4krt@mindspring.com>(commie mother fucker)wrote:
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>--
> / INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
>/
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>
> A new ARRL Director who has vowed to take hams who use indecent
>language off the amateur bands says that he wants tape recordings of
>alleged offenders sent directly to him. Joe Falcone, N8TI says that he
>will use the recordings as proof to the FCC that the problem is
>nationwide in scope.
>

>
> Ist ammendment motherfucker. Piss off commie
>bastard!!!

by your displayed intelligence, you are obveiously
just another ignorant, foul mouthed, cb oriented IDIOT.
please go back to playing with daddy's loaded gun.
don't forget to swallow, dipsh*t.

2224. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124182101.NAA11840@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180800

In article <19980124011201.UAA17511@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
Most experienced operators, however, tend to use more "capable" equipment.
>

You mean most experienced ham operators, or more experienced CB operators? If CB, what do you mean by more "capable" equipment? Sorry, 4 watts AM or 12 W SSB are the legal limits. You must use fixed channel tuning, and transmissions must be clear speech. You may not work DX. I forget what the limit is, and I don't have the applicable part of 47 CFR handy, but there is a limit on how distant a station you may have two-way communications with. That's the way it is. Anything above and beyond that is illegal, and subject to cause interference to legitimate, law-abiding ops on that band. Not only is using bootleg gear illegal, it is inconsiderate to other CBers, and to TV watchers. CB rigs are notorious for transmitting harmonics that cause TVI, and converted ham rigs are almost as bad since the output filtering is not optimized for 11 meters. I can run 100 watts into an end fed wire 10 feet from my TV on 20 meters and never a flicker. The AM CB guys I can actually copy with my TV when they drive by. That is rude, because they know they can cause such interference, but most seem not to be concerned about it. Sticking to the legal output power helps keep the TVI down to a reasonable level.

I respect a considerate, technically competent, law-abiding CBer just as much as his ham equivelant. A bootleg CBer however is no different than a bootlegger on any other band.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2225. Re: Zero Beat

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124182201.NAA13241@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180801

In article <6a8kho$iu7$1@usenet85.supernews.com>, "M. Neiner"
<m9er@soundcom.net> writes:

>
I've been using a Yaesu FT-101. The procedure for calibrating the
>tuning
dial calls for tuning to the nearest 100kz mark, turning on the
>internal
100khz oscillator, and using the dial to tune for a Zero Beat. Well
>I hear
the 100khz tone loud and clear, but I'm not clear on when I have zero
>Beat.
Is it when the tone is at it's highest pitch, lowest pitch, or in the
>middle
when my S meter has the largest deflection? Any info on zero beat
>would be
greatly appreciated.

When you hear the tone frequency go down, down, down to the point of
inaudibility. Essentially, the signal that you have zero-beat will deliver
received audio with a frequency of zero Hz, and so you will no longer hear
anything.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2226. This Week in Amateur Radio #252 (for air through 1/30/98)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephan M. Anderman" <sanderman@delphi.com>
Message-ID: <x7VG83E.sanderman@delphi.com>
Source record: 180802

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Here is a summary of news items covered on edition #252 of
"This Week in Amateur Radio", North America's satellite-delivered
audio bulletin service, for the week ending 30-Jan:
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1. ARRL Board Holds Meeting -- Pushes Enforcement, DXCC Changes
2. 1997 ARRL Humanitarian Award Presented
3. New Owner for Amateur Electronic Supply -- Business as Usual
4. Endeavour Launched from Florida, Eighth US Mission to Mir
5. Special Event Station Calendar
6. "Gateway 160 Meter Net Report" with Vern Jackson, WA0RCR
7. New CBC Service Debuts Early Due to Severe Storm
8. Ham Radio TV Show Airs on New York City Cable System
9. "Ancient Amateur Archives" with Bill Continelli, W2XOY
10. "The RAIN Dial-up" from Chicago
11. Weekly Propagation Forecast
12. AMSAT Members Push for '50s Stamp in New USPS Century Series
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communications satellite, transponder 13B upper, located at 74
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2227. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124183101.NAA13379@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180803

In article <34C861CF.12E1@wf.quik.com>, Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
writes:

>I am planning a trip soon. I forgot the secret sign that
we Pro Code Hams
>use, in case we are broke down on the side
of the road, to signal another Pro
>Coder for help. Will
someone please email it to me .. I swear I can copy 25
>WPM
solid with a pencil for about 15 minutes, then my hand gets
tired from
>writing. You might include the secret handshake too.

Curtis:

The secret sign and handshake cannot be divulged over an
unsecured communications media. Tune in to 14.058 MHz,
and request same from any FISTS member on that
frequency. They can give it to you there, since it would then
be safe from the prying ears of no-coders.

(Well what the heck; it IS a secret, isn't it?)

73 de Larry, K3LT
FISTS nr. 2008
Holder of the "Secret Sign" and knower of the "Secret Handshake"

*** Author accepts no responsibility for remarks taken seriously.

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k3lt@ka3bdr.#cde.de.usa.noam | yodoc@aol.com
(302) 678-4841

2228. Re: I am CB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124183200.NAA14770@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180804

In article <34c9357d.5110319@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) writes:

>I am CB (C utie B oy). I am a nice CB.

I am not CW (Cybe** Wo***).
>If you like CW, please leave.

Cutie Boy:

You are CB! Is that anything like Barry Manilow saying "I am Music?"

73 de Larry, K3LT
FISTS nr. 2008

*** I am Ham Radio -- and I know the code!

Lawrence J. Roll, K3LT | k3lt@n3omq.#cde.de.usa.noam
k3lt@ka3bdr.#cde.de.usa.noam | yodoc@aol.com
(302) 678-4841

2229. Re: Need help with Yaesu FT-101EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124183301.NAA13593@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180805

>I have a Yaesu 101EX that has not been used for sixteen years (other
>than as a receiver for the past year). I just became a Tech Plus and
>tuned the rig per. the manual for 10m and can only get it to trans. at
>nine watts. I had a ham friend tune it on 80m and the output was 120
>watts.
>
>

If the finals are tubes, they may be "soft". (I am not familiar with this transciever, so I don't know if it is tube or transistor finals.)

2230. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CA325D.84C@ibm.net>
Source record: 180806
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> The No-Code Agenda is very insidious, and similar to that used by other
> radical groups like Handgun Control, Inc. The goal of this latter is to ban
> all guns -- but, they know such an idea is too radical, and would never be
> supported, so instead they take the "baby steps" approach -- ban a few
> guns at a time, and before you know it -- whooosh! All guns are banned.

Nobody is trying to ban Morse code like they are trying to ban guns. There is zero proof of any similarity between the two movements. If anything is true, the pro-code-test folk are similar to the gun control folk, both groups favor governmental regulations to solve perceived problems.

Gun control is similar to *maintaining* the code testing requirement. Both are governmental regulations that should not exist. Gun control folk want more regulations. No-code-test folk want fewer regulations. The no-code-test folk want freedom from outdated governmental regulations. The gun control folk want to violate our freedoms with more regulations. THE NO-CODE-TEST FOLK ARE THE EXACT OPPOSITE OF THE GUN CONTROL FOLK. It is the pro-code-test group who favors governmental power and maintaining outdated governmental regulations and therefore are akin to the gun control folk.

Using exactly the same logic for guns that you use for HF ham radio, only a select few citizens should be allowed to own guns. Gun ownership is not for everybody. Only 0.2% of US citizens should be allowed to own guns. Individuals who cannot achieve expert status and meet the gun testing requirements should find another way to defend themselves. Sound familiar?

> The No-Code Agenda is a lie, just as it was in the mid 80's. And, its our
> duty to stop it.

Saying that there is a "No-Code Agenda" is a lie. There is a no-code-test agenda that isn't a lie at all. The no-code-test agenda exists for the single purpose of lowering or eliminating the code testing requirement thus decreasing federal governmental control over the lives of the alleged free citizens of this alleged free nation. And that's the truth.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2231. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124184201.NAA14994@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180807

In article <19980124183101.NAA13379@ladder01.news.aol.com>, yodoc@aol.com (Yo
Doc) writes:

>Curtis:

The secret sign and handshake cannot be divulged over an
unsecured
>communications media. Tune in to 14.058 MHz,
and request same from any
>FISTS member on that
frequency. They can give it to you there, since it
>would then
be safe from the prying ears of no-coders.

That's right. Nobody else would think of owning an SWL receiver, would they?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2232. The No-Code VHF license - a success

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: ham@w3eax.umd.edu
Message-ID: <6adfevmmm1@w3eax.umd.edu>
Source record: 180808

It MAY have been proposed as a way of getting techno-whizzes
who just didn't want to learn the code into the amateur service.

What has actually happened?

Those techno-whizzes still find themselves, by and large, not
interested in ham radio. If they WERE techno-whizzes, they
probably could have picked up the code, at least 5 wpm, pretty
quickly. But they didn't, and by and large, even a pair of
written exams didn't interest them.

HOWEVER

1) The no-code license served to create a LARGE number of hams
who were ready, willing, and able to do public service and keep
the light turned on on repeaters nationwide.

2) It used to be that "entry level hams" could operate HF CW,
and meet one new person at a time. It was slow, and ideas
hard to exchange. Only AFTER picking up the code were people
able to actually talk locally to other hams via VHF+ FM.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED? It's REALLY quite amazing!

What I have seen in the DC area is a reverse-genesis, of
sorts. There are many VHF hams, and they talk to General,
Advanced, and Extra class hams.

What do they talk about? Antennas, operating, even ways
to learn code. They discuss with each other how they're
progressing with the code and the theory, when they're
going to put up a 40 dipole or loop. They do code practice
sessions via MCW, either via repeater or simplex.

It's really quite amazing; the no-code tech license has
effectively created, much as the internet has, the "long
or at least not just across the street-distance" elmer
and peer group that I wish I had had when I was a Novice
back in 1984.

Although I had elmers, I felt very much alone in learning
how to be a ham. Today's Technician licensee, through the
existence of the No-code license, has created a sense of
community that I think is a very, very, very goof thing
for these licensees to have!

(and they're making a lot of it, too!)

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* Scott Rosenfeld NF3I Burtonsville, MD FM19mc QRV 80-10/6/2/440 *
* 6m 82 grids on 8w * DXCC WAS WAC * QRP-L #147 * QRP ARCI #9054 *
* http://w3eax.umd.edu/~ham * ARRL Life Member /Laurel ARC/UMARA *
*** 301-549-1022 h 301-982-1015 w *** 35 wpm HF mobile CW Neon ***

2233. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6adai4$3n6$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180809

In article <34CA0B3A.235F@geocities.com>,
Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com> wrote:

> The no-code licences have saved amateur radio in the u.s. from oblivion.

Err, no. Sorry. Amateur radio was alive and well prior to the codeless tech license. It would be alive and well without the codeless tech license. The codeless tech license did little for amateur radio except create a "family radio service" weigh-station within our bands.

[another post about code requirements deleted]

> The is a best half right. The Relavent treaty states nothing about the
>speed of Morse Required,

Correct.

>the text of the Treaty as currently writtied
>would met by a 1 letter per minute.

I doubt it. The treaty states that one has to show "proficiency" in sending my hand and receiving by ear. 1LPM is arguably not "proficient". Some say that 5wpm isn't proficient either.

> The FCC is record as
>wishing to maintain the Morse requirement because the the ARRL wishes
>its.

Err, no, the FCC has stated that as long as there is "no consensus" within amateur radio to eliminate the code requirement, the code requirement will remain. The Code requirement has nothing to do with the ARRL.

>The treaty itself is reviewed regularly, recents moves to remove
>the morse provisions have been opposed by the US , allegedly because we
>the ARS operator say we want it retained.

Pretty much.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2234. WTD:Moto HT600 2to6.exe program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <6adc0m$611@snews1.newsguy.com>
Source record: 180810

I have a 2 channel HT600 that I want to convert to 6 channels. I
understand that I need a program called 2to6.exe to do this.
Where can I find this?? Can someone send me a copy as an
atachment??
Thanks in advance!!
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

2235. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <Ynty.8$ik.411487@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 180811

In <19980123231501.SAA29585@ladder02.news.aol.com>, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) writes:
>>Basically, the band plans are a gentleman's agreement.
>
>>Apparently, people don't want to act in a gentlemanly way.
>
>I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech typically
>doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and "gentleman's
>agreements?"
>
>K�MB

although, i don't think the league has a "in your face" approach to pointing
out ideas like band plans, so it's easy to miss.

and the local ops bear some responsibility to guide the new guys into the system.

this does nothing for the 20 year ham that's out to be mean and ornery.

2236. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <mvty.11$ik.411487@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 180812
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

In <6adjvvojd2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com (Rigley L. Case) writes:
>>><wiping forehead> Finally..., justice.
>Just what we need...more radio cops who go crying to the government every time
>somebody says a dirty word on the air.

yeah. it's got the "witch hunt" smell on it. in this age of forgery, i would think it possible to create "evidence" to make a case.

not everything that plays on commercial broadcast may be suitable for use in a two-way radio service. i believe the courts would agree.

2237. Re: CB Sideband and

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: wnewkirk@iu.net
Message-ID: <0yty.12$ik.411487@news1.atlantic.net>
Source record: 180813

In <19980123125801.HAA11044@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:
>Yeah. You'll be able to engage in endless 10-10 contests and signal reports on
>10m, instead of talking to real people about real-life interests on the
>freeband.

sounds like an opportunity to be the first, drew.

2238. Re: Need help with Yaesu FT-101EX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124220701.RAA17495@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180814

>I have a Yaesu 101EX that has not been used for sixteen years (other
>than as a receiver for the past year). I just became a Tech Plus

>tuned the rig per. the manual for 10m and can only get it to trans. at
>nine watts. I had a ham friend tune it on 80m and the output was 120
>watts.

>Can anyone give me some idea what may be the problem?

The drive coils are still peaked for 11m.

KMB

2239. WTB: YK-88C Filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: gharmon@txdirect.net
Message-ID: <6adpm8$eg0$2@eclipse.sat.txdirect.net>
Source record: 180815

A good friend needs a YK-88C filter for his TS-440S/AT.

Thanks in advance and 73,
gary
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ICQ 5519171

+Too Many Projects, Not Enough Time!
+Pack Unto Others As You Would Have Them Pack Unto You!
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2240. How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34ca6c48.4180731@news.total.net>
Source record: 180816
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html

Instead of wasting your time to protect CW, why not enjoy by visiting
this web page ??

[Java required]


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Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
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Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2241. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CA6FB8.248@asu.edu>
Source record: 180817
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Hi Hi.

That was clever. Did you spend all that energy just for us? Hmmmmmmm. .
. .Maybe it is time to revise the notion of who is wasting their time.
Did somebody say content?

W. White

2242. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CA72D2.751@asu.edu>
Source record: 180818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Well, that would be nice. But what about the OMs who regale nets with the details of their latest operation and mourn that they can no longer digest their XYL's pot roast?

--W. White

2243. Swan 500 help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: dskl@leland.stanford.edu
Message-ID: <dskl-2401981523380001@hay-ca3-25.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180819

Hello all,
My son (KF6JQR) aquired a swan 500 from the family of a recently deceased Ham.
Unfortunatly, there is no manual with the radio and we are not sure
how to tune it up.

Can anyone provide a brief run down of the procedure or point me to
a place where we can obtain a manual?

Thanks,
Dave
N6YVC.

2244. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Spam@sucks.com
Message-ID: <34ca7384.102762228@news.cmgate.com>
Source record: 180820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 15:35:53 GMT, rhawk@megabits.net (robert hawk)
wrote:

>On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 08:10:34 GMT, Spam@sucks.com (UNCLECHARLIE) wrote:
>
>>On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 16:37:29 -0500, Phil Heaton
>><ke4krt@mindspring.com>(commie mother fucker)wrote:
>>
>>----------
>> / INDECENT LANGUAGE HAM RECORDINGS WANTED!
>>/
>>----------
>>
>> A new ARRL Director who has vowed to take hams who use indecent
>>language off the amateur bands says that he wants tape recordings of
>>alleged offenders sent directly to him. Joe Falcone, N8TI says that he
>>will use the recordings as proof to the FCC that the problem is
>>nationwide in scope.
>>
>
>>
>> Ist ammendment motherfucker. Piss off commie
>>bastard!!!
>
> by your displayed intelligence, you are obveiously
>just another ignorant, foul mouthed, cb oriented IDIOT.
>please go back to playing with daddy's loaded gun.
>don't forget to swallow, dipsh*t.
>
Well I don't have to display any intelligence when talking
to commie freaks like you fuck off bitch. Why don't you go skiing?
Maybe I can then get a little shooting practice on your ass,if the
trees don't get you!

2245. The 3894.5 Webpage, and MORE!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Radyo Fun <rch1212@usf.edu>
Message-ID: <01bd291e$eb40eba0$LocalHost@5734985769225>
Source record: 180821
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.shortwave

Here it is ham radio operators and SWL's all across the World:

----> THE most popular places in Ham Radio cyberspace! <-----

The 3894.5 Stumpjumpers Web Page - brought to you
by the Goodfellas! Y'all come on by now, ya hear !

http://www.angelfire.com/wv/stumpjumpers

The Better Amateur Radio Federation Webpage: http://www.angelfire.com.in/w9xn

Big Al's Webpage and Art Gallery: http://www.angelfire.com/nc/k4oka

Finally, the Web Page brought to you by the GREATEST HAM RADIO OPERATOR
ON THE AIR TODAY, a man of valor, truth, justice and the American Way!

Herb KV4FZ ---> http://www.islands.vi/~herbs/ (Thunderous Applause!)

2246. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6adu2r$k0g$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180822
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) says,

>We thought all HFers went through cleaning process. why do we want
>this ?? We thought all amateurs who knew the CW were excellent hams.
>
>(hahaha)

I received an election ballot for ARRL section manager. The candidate said
that, "we cannot lower our standards by any further reduction in code
testing requirements"

IOW, a worthless lid filter is better than no lid filter. Even if it filters
out the good with the bad.

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com *
****

2247. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: bb840@scn.org
Message-ID: <EnB9Br.69x@scn.org>
Source record: 180823

In a previous article, rdboyd@hiwaay.net (Ron Boyd) says:

>Hello:
>
>The FCC went up from $30 to $50 for vanity callsigns recently, this fee
>is to cover a license period of 10 years.
>
>It makes me wonder.... what will be the fee to renew a vanity callsign
>ten years from now (2008). Anybody have any idea?
>
At least the $50 it costs for the initial vanity callsign, more if the
fees are increased during the next 10 years.
--
Jim Aeschliman bb840@scn.org
Black Diamond, Washington KD7MK

2248. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980124235701.SAA04732@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180824

>
> All in all the idea that Morse is maintained by law, noit because some
>hams wish it, is as big a lie as Hilter's claims that the WW2 started
>because Poland attacked Germany.
>
>Mark Morgan

Yrac responds:

97.503 Element Standards
(a) a telegraphy examination must be sufficient to prove that the examinee has the ability to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in the international Morse code at not less than the prescribed speed, using all the letters of the alphabet, numerals 0-9, period, comma, question mark, slant mark and prosigns AR, BT and SK.*

*For sending test requirements, see 97.509(d).

I stand by my original post. (1) The Code requirement is presently is required because of the law. (2) If someone feels strongly about the Morse code requirements as they pertain to Amateur radio, it will do much more good to spend time and words directed toward those who can make a difference, rather than writing long, repetitive articles on the newsgroup.

2249. Re: @@@ Cancel @@@

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.3.94.980124182904.4381B-100000@Stratus.CAM.ORG>
Source record: 180825
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998, Cutie Boy wrote:

> >From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy)
> >Date: 1998/01/20
> >Message-ID: <6a2u56$ao7@anchor.cis.att.com>
> >Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amat$
> >[More Headers]
>
> > Automatic cancel message requested by WorldNet.
>
> Give me a break.
> Who is cancelling my articles ??
> Which ones cancelled by whom ??
> If someone cancels my articles because he hates me, I will cancel
> anything that I don't like.

If you'd actually taken to the time to determine which article was
cancelled, you'd discover that this cancellation is a whole lot
more understandable than you want to make it.

You neglected to include the subject header of the cancellation post:
Subject: cmsg cancel <34c49ca1.1107915@news.total.net>
The part in the brackets is the message ID from the cancelled message.
All you have to do is go through all those posts of yours and see which
one carries that message ID.

Anyone can do this, using
http://www.dejanews.com
If you searched in rec.radio.amateur.misc for messages with your latest
email address, say going back from January 20th through to a few days
previous to that, you'd see all thos way too numerous posts of yours.
Click on each of them, and check the message ID of each one until you get
a match with the message ID referenced in the cancel post.

And you'd find that the original post was cancelled for good reasons.
Remember this one?

Subject: Re: $$$IMPORTANT$$$
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy)
Date: 1998/01/20
Message-ID: <34c49ca1.1107915@news.total.net>
Newsgroups:
rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

You quoted a good portion of a Make Money Fast post.

The way to deal with those is to ignore them, or do as I almost suggested when I saw that useless post of yours, forward the MMF message to the postmaster or abuse at the site where it was posted from, which is a whole lot more constructive than making comments about it in the newsgroup.

Nobody sinister cancelled this message of yours. It actually said int he body of the cancel message
"Automatic cancel message requested by WorldNet."

Somebody would appear to have a conscience, and is cancelling MMF posts automatically. You made the error of responding to a MMF post in the newsgroup, so it got cancelled along with similar messages.

As for who cancelled, it's there in the message ID header of the cancel post

6a2u56$ao7@anchor.cis.att.com

Somebody at that site is issuing cancel messages. If you look at all the headers in the cancel post, probably there is more information about who sent it out. I haven't kept track of it, but probably this is a well known site that automatically cancels MMF's. Probably you can find a post somewhere that announces the cancelation of a batch of MMF posts.

This is the only cancel message for you in the past week or so, according to dejanews. Again, you can do a search with your email address (of course, you'd have to check for all those previous email addresses you've used too) and look for subject headers that start with "CSMG"

While there are plenty of reasons for people to want to cancel your posts, one could just start with the regular cross-posting, nobody is doing it on a regular basis. You just posted a message that was worthy of a cancellation post according to a fairly reasonable agreement on what is acceptable to post. If you don't like spam, and if you don't like Make Money Fast posts, then you have to make a point of not contributing to the problem.

Michael VE2BVW

2250. FS: Collector's Vintage Tube Reel to Reel Portable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6adue0$s6i$5@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180826

A CLASSIC COLLECTABLE VINTAGE AMPRO REEL TO REEL RECORDER

AMPRO CORP MODEL 758 TWO SPEED HI-FI REEL TO REEL TAPE
RECORDER -- MID 1950'S IN NICE PHYSICAL SHAPE
ORDER, but will need apparently minor adjustments & lube.

- GREAT 1950'S ERA BEAUTIFUL STYLING & DESIGN WITH:

* COCOA BROWN CONTROL PANEL & GRAY KNOBS/BUTTON AND RAISED
GOLD AMPRO LOGO.
* MATCHING COCOA BROWN CARRYING HANDLE AND AMPRO LOGO
COVER LATCH
* HAS GRAY SHARKSKIN CASE WITH FULL-FRONT BASKET WEAVE
SPEAKER GRILL. Just a great looking unit if you're a
1950's buff & love that styling.

- GREAT UNIT FOR REEL TO REEL COLLECTORS OR FOR SOMEONE
WHO JUST WANTS A GOOD OLD FASHIONED HIGH QUALITY MONO
UNIT.

- Ampro made high quality tape recorders in their time and
seeing this unit is an example of it.

The interior panel is like new and the case is very good with a
few scratches on the bottom and some minor dings, etc, but very
minor for a unit of this age. We're talking about 40+ yrs!

- SIZE (APPROX.)

16 5/8" WIDE x 10 5/8" HIGH x 16 1/4" DEEP

- WEIGHT (APPROX.)

38 pounds (fan cooled) TUBE POWERED

CONTROLS:

- Dual 3 3/4 & 7 1/2 IPS tape playing speeds.

- Green Eye Tube Recording Level Indicator

- OFF/Volume Knob

- Treble/Bass Knob

- Buttons
* Record & Lock
* Forward
* Rewind

* Play
* Stop

INPUT JACKS

- Radio/Phono

- Microphone

OUTPUT JACKS

- External Amp or Speaker

- Remote Control On/Off Switch & Plug

Handles 7 inch reels.

- Unit does not come with microphone

Unit needs attention--The playback is sluggish at either speed, thus slurring the words, etc. This will require attention. Have a copy of the SAMS PHOTOFACTS repair manual for it, I will throw in for someone who can do the necessary maintenance/repair.

$75 plus U.S. Parcel Post Insured shipping cost, which isn't much. I'll pack it free.

I can email a color photos of the unit for your review, if you wish in the .jpg file format.

Thank you.

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Thank you.

2251. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34CA06C6.2E3F@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 180827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Will White wrote:
>
> Well, that would be nice. But what about the OMs who regale nets with
> the details of their latest operation and mourn that they can no longer
> digest their XYL's pot roast?
>
> --W. White
****
Hey, It don't hurt to be a little forgiving, maybe that's all the old
farts have to talk about.

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

2252. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34CA0E33.1647@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 180828

Rigley L. Case wrote:
>
> I received an election ballot for ARRL section manager. The candidate said
> that, "we cannot lower our standards by any further reduction in code
> testing requirements"
>
> IOW, a worthless lid filter is better than no lid filter. Even if it filters
> out the good with the bad.
==========
Hello,
toss out the good with the bad, eh? Kinda like kill them all and let
God sort them out. I would think (hope) a wannabe ARRL official could
come up with better policy to address the ills of amateur radio

--
73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

2253. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34CA8B32.6C5E@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180829
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Brian wrote:
> If you had Sega when you were 13, you wouldn't be a ham today.

I would. I have never liked games. IMO, games are a waste of time.
The real world is much more interesting and rewarding.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2254. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34CA8A7B.25C7@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180830
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Wayne wrote:
> Are we sure young people won't enjoy code? I started at an age of 13
> because code was fun. Maybe code should be advertised to the young as
> one of the "fun" aspects of the hobby.

I agree, Wayne, and it would be a lot more fun if it were not stuffed down their throats by a bunch of megalomaniacs, i.e. "don't let the door hit you on the way out." I learned Morse code at the ripe old age of ten years so I could secretely communicate with my cousin next door. It was fun. Nobody forced me to do it. I still enjoy it.
--
73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2255. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CA9555.BBF873C9@flash.net>
Source record: 180831
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
> Instead of wasting your time to protect CW, why not enjoy by visiting
> this web page ??

Actually Masa, were all trying to figure out how to keep YOU busy. (away from the keyboard).

--
Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept."
- Cutie Boy, 98

2256. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: William Hughey <bill@Net-Link.net>
Message-ID: <34CA967C.7D4E@Net-Link.net>
Source record: 180832
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Brian wrote:
> > If you had Sega when you were 13, you wouldn't be a ham today.
>
> I would. I have never liked games. IMO, games are a waste of time.
> The real world is much more interesting and rewarding.
> --
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

There is nothing rong with CW if you dont like it, ok but if you want
a ham ticket bad enough you will study code and pass the test.

Its like every thing in life nothing is free and work a little to better
your self.
Bill Hughey KB8CRR

2257. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ae6ch$4c0$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180833

In article <34CA4ED3.1CD2E620@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Rambo is 75m the only band you ever listen to? their are 8 other HF bands which
>exibit none of the 'phenomenon' you describe above.

CB Bimbo, aka Spew Durigan, has a bad case of "ticket envy". He can't
transmit on 75 meters or 20 meters, so he tape records a dozen or so
idiots up there and parades them around as "examples" of how he shouldn't
have to take a code test.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2258. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-24 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ae4s2$45o$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180834
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CA325D.84C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Nobody is trying to ban Morse code like they are trying to ban guns. There
>is zero proof of any similarity between the two movements.

Of course, if you call HCI and ask them if they want to "ban all guns",
they will reply "no". Sometimes it is necessary to "read between the lines",
because people do not readily reveal their intentions.

>Gun control is similar to *maintaining* the code testing requirement. Both
>are governmental regulations that should not exist.

I guess being "pro theory" means your akin to "gun control" too right? Or,
are only those examinations you happen to agree with "okay"?

>No-code-test folk want fewer regulations.

Pro-code folk want fewer regulations too. Pro-code folk also want those
regulations that exist to be adhered to.

>Using exactly the same logic for guns that you use for HF ham radio

Owning firearms is a constitutionally-guarenteed right. Operating an HF
radio is not.

>Saying that there is a "No-Code Agenda" is a lie. ... The no-code-test
>agenda exists ...

Gee Cecil, contridicting yourself in the same paragraph, eh?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2259. World Wide Repeater access thru Digi Vox Linking....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: skbenjamin@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125212601.QAA07439@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180585

For those that are interested in linking repeaters or simplex amateur radio traffic with other repeaters or simplex channels in other countries find out how..

HTTP://www.internet-club.com/australia/ham_radio

73 KE6RMP

2260. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6agav6$5l1$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180586

In article <34cb4324.378228464@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:

>2) The FCC has publicly stated that the only reason Morse testing remains
> is because "the amateur community wants it", meaning in reality "the ARRL
> wants it".

I believe a more accurate FCC quote is that they do not remove the
morse requirement because "there is no consensus within the amateur
community" to eliminate it. That does not mean nor imply the ARRL.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2261. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6agbfg$5lq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180587
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CB4B1F.2B7C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Why do you continue to make the mistake of using the
>totally inaccurate expression, "No-Code Agenda"?

As the person who invented the phrase "No-Code Agenda" (if you don't believe me, go look it up in the DejaNews archives), I believe it is my right to also create its definition. The No-Code Agenda is a catch-all phrase defining people who adhere to an anti-cw philosophy. Anti-CW might include people like yourself and Bill Sohl, who want to eliminate a code examination, and others like Carl Stevenson and Len Anderson, who want to ban the use of CW on amateur bands completely.

The term "No-Code Agenda" only conveys a "banning CW" message to those with guilty consciences.

>Why not use the accurate expression, "no-code-test agenda"?

Because that expression is not accurate.

>Isn't using the expression "No-Code Agenda" just as bad as the other side using
>the expression "Pro-Code Nazi"?

Absolutely not. I'm sure you recognize the definition of the term "agenda". That is very different from personalizing the definition and calling someone a "Nazi". "Pro-Code Nazi" would be akin to me using the term "No-Code Nazi".

>Both expressions are inaccurate and designed
>to elicit an emotional response instead of rational thought.

I do not believe the term "No-Code Agenda" elicits emotional responses, any more than calling it "No-Code-Test Agenda" would. An agenda is a plan, a set of goals to accomplish, a set of ideas to promote. While the term "No-Code-Test Agenda" might better describe people like Bill Sohl, it does not accurately describe all people who profess anti-CW views in this newsgroup.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2262. Re: (none)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6agbum$5pj$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180588

In article <19980125165101.LAA24810@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>Kind of like the "list of valid reasons to continue Morse testing in 1998."

Or "why does Spew Durigan have an amateur radio ticket?"

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2263. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6agc4c$5qn$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180589
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

In article <34cb77db.0@news.valinet.com>, <kba6662@fpmjr@valinet.com> wrote:

> Narrow minded thinking like above IS the prime reason amateur radio is
>slowly going away.

Hi Fran,

Exactly what definition do you use to say "amateur radio is going away"?
There are more licensed amateurs today than in the history of the hobby.
Amateur radio has seen consistant growth in its licensed numbers since
its inception.

The idea that "amateur radio is going away" is nothing more than yet
another of the "10 Big Lies of the No-Code Agenda".

MD
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2264. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #341

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org
Message-ID: <$opdx.341.1998@ampr.org>
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3B7, ST. BRANDON. A large group of operators will activate this rare location from May 6-17th. Several stations will be on the air 24 hours a day on all bands operating on CW, SSB, RTTY and SSTV. Operators and participants are: 3B8CF, 4X1DF/A, HB9ABO, HB9ADP, HB9AFH, HB9AFI, HB9AHL, HB9AJW, HB9BQI, HB9BQW, HB9BXE, HB9JAI and K5KG. The organizators are the Union of Swiss Short Wave Amateurs (USKA), Section Zug, HB9RF; and Project initiator HB9JAI. They have a written confirmation by the Mauritian authorities saying that a radio licence for St. Brandon will be granted. To assure the necessary funds for their DXpedition, they are asking for help from the DX community. To help, contact Josef Meier, HB9AJW, E-mail address: 100450.540@compuserve.com. A dedicated Web site for the St. Brandon DXpedition is under construction. It should be operational by mid February, 1998. The link to this site can eventually be obtained from http://www.uska.ch (under "Links", "DXPedition").

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND. The "DX News Sheet" states that the Midway-Kure DX Foundation (MKDXF) is planning a spring DXpedition.

3C0, PAGALU ISLAND. Rumor has it that a group of possibly four to six operators will be active from here beginning sometime in March. Activity will be on CW/SSB/RTTY, all bands, with an emphasis on 160, 80 and 40 meters.

8P9, BARBADOS. Steve, K2WE, will be here February 17-24th and active as 8P9AP. He will be staying on the south shore of the island in a place called St. Lawrence Gap. He plans to be active in the ARRL CW DX Contest and will be operational on all bands. QSL via homecall (ex-NI2C).

9G, GHANA (UPDATE). G3VMW, G3XAQ, G3ZEM and G4ZVJ will be active from Accra in Ghana during the month of February, 1998. Andy, G4ZVJ, will be active from February 5th through March 1st as 9G5VJ, and will be active in the FOC Marathon. He will be joined on February 12th by Alan, G3XAQ, who will be active as 9G5XA until February 23rd. Steve/G3VMW and Bob/ G3ZEM fly to Accra on February 20th to join the others and will be active as 9G5SW and 9G5ZM on all bands. They will be active during the ARRL CW Contest and the the RSGB 7 MHz CW Contest. Activity will be mainly on CW but with the possibility of some RTTY and SSB if required. QSL routes: 9G5SW via G3VMW or RSGB Bureau, 9G5VJ via G4ZVJ or RSGB Bureau, 9G5XA via G3XAQ or RSGB Bureau and 9G5ZM via G3ZEM or RSGB Bureau.

9G, GHANA (Another ham in Ghana!). Steve, PA3GBQ, reports to OPDX that he will be traveling to Ghana in the first 3 weeks of February, 1998. He explanins that this is not a DXxpedition but maybe he will find some time and equipment to operate on the ham bands. He will be traveling throughout the country. His probable callsign may be 9G5BQ. QSL via PA3GBQ (1998 CBA) or bureau.

D6, COMOROS ISLANDS. Start looking for Martin, HB9CYN, and Chris, HB9CYV, to be active as D68YN and D68YV, respectively, until Febraury 6th. Their activity will be on 160-10 meters all bands, mainly on CW but with some SSB. They will also be on RS-12/13 satellites. SORRY NO RTTY. QSL routes are: D68YN to HB9CYN and D68YV to HB9CYV. (QSLs via bureau preferred, Direct: Oversea mail with 2 US-$ needed, Europe 1 US-$). Stations worked can be found after the DXpedition on the following Web-Page:
http://ab5eh-lin.tamucc.edu/~hb9cyn
Also, QSL requests (via bureau) may be sent to the addresses mentioned on the WWW-site above.

FS/FJ, SAINT MARTIN. Dick, K3DI, will be here and active as FS/K3DI. He hopes to get a wire up and be on during the CQ 160M SSB Contest on February 28th and March 1st. Also, he will be active in the REF SSB Contest during the same weekend. QSL via his homecall (listed down below under VP2E) or via his E-mail address for bureau replies: wilder@clark.net

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. A RTTY team will be at GTMO for the 4th Annual World-Wide RTTY WPX Contest Sponsored by Hal Communications Corp! Team members are: Bill/KG4GC (W4WX), Rusty/KG4AU (WV3N), Jan/KG4QD (K4QD), Joyce/KG4OS (WA4OMS), Wayne/KG4WD and Clayton/KG4PK. Look for KG4GC to be used during the contest February 14-15th. Members will arrive at GTMO on the 13th and depart on the 20th of February. The team will be active after the contest on all modes and bands. A special thanks to Rusry for sponsoring them! QSL Contest QSO's to: Bill Gallier, KG4GC/W4WX, 4094 Sandy Run Drive E., Middleburg, FL. 32068.
Please include a SASE. Bureau cards will also be answered. Non-contest QSO's go to home call. Any comments or questions can be sent to: w4wx@bellsouth.net

KH1/KH5/KH5K, BAKER/HOWLAND ISLAND, PALMYRA ISLAND AND KINGMAN REEF. Seven operators of the South Sandwich Island Antarctic DX Group (SSIDXG)

and the Midway-Kure Island DX Foundation (MKDXF) plan to be active again from these two islands. Activity will begin February 4th with a 3-5 days operation from each islands. Activity will be on CW/SSB and RTTY. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the official press release as an additional bulletin.

MW8, WALES. Operators G3NKC, G3NLY, G5LP, G4BWP, G0KRL and others to be confirmed later, will activate the Welsh island Anglesey (EU-124) in the IOTA contest later this year. Their callsign this year will be MW8Z. (Previous operations were as MW7Z, MW6Z and GW5LP/P). More information will be forthcoming. QSL MW8Z via G5LP.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
Kaz, DL6FDB/JA1IST) and Joe, JA1LZR, who operated from HB0-land last weekend (Jan. 16-18th), made a total of 1500 QSOs. QSL HB0/DL6FDB to DL6FDB or via bureau. QSL HB0/HB9LEY via his QSL Manager, JH1BSE or bureau.

An update to QSL Manager Michel, HH2HM, states he is only the manager for UA0FDX, BA4TB, T95LGN, EX2M, HH2PK, UN7EG and UN7FJ. Also, the only valid address is: Michel Hamoniaux, PO Box 104, 22650 Ploubalay, France. Some other sources (such as Buckmaster) show a Hatian address for HH2HM. Michel asks that requests go only via the French address.

IS IT BOGUS OR NOT? Steve, VK3OT/KL7, of Wasilla AK, reports to OPDX a station was heard, VK9YQS working 40M CW to Japan. Steve states, "In my opinion, although VK9YQS is on Macquarie and has been worked on 6M band, his licence class is technical and as such he does not have HF priviledges, Also, I am not his QSL manager since December, 1990. In this case, the WFWL will not work unless there have been some changes to the Aussie laws permitting Limited licencees on HF. I was also unaware Doug ran CW on any band. So I suggest people ask one of the other VK0's like GW or ask VK9NS to investigate this."

Paul, N5PGI, reports he worked a 9K2RR (May 97) who said QSL via K1VKO. K1VKO advises that he is NOT and NEVER HAS BEEN QSL Manager for this station (or any other for the last 5 yrs).

EP2MKO - Bill Moore at the DXCC Desk advises that this station is OK for DXCC. QSL via UA6HCW.

SPACE "A" DXPEDITION GROUP". Bill, W4WX/KG4GC, is interested in forming a "Space "A" DXPedition Group". Members would be from all over the world. Only requirements would be: [a] retired military with space available privileges, [b] have email address. The group would communicate via e-mail and organize at least one DXPedition a year. There are many places available to visit via military air. In the past couple of years, Bill has been to CU, JA, V2, HP1, HP3, KG4, KH6, KP4... With some help on arranging transportation and permission, Bill states they could go to places like: HR, VP9, KH2, WH0, HH, VQ9, HZ and many other military facilities!! Send your thoughts and ideas to Bill at: w4wx@bellsouth.net

SPECIAL EVENT. The 1998 Winter Carnival Special Event Station will be using the a special 1x1 callsign W8C beginning Thursday, January 29th at 1100z and lasting through Saturday, January 31st at 1100z. Suggested operating frequencies will be on or near: 3984, 7246, 14256 and 21336 kHz. The Husky Amateur Radio Club, at Michigan Technological University, will be operating the annual Winter Carnival special event station. There will be certificates available. For more info on the Husky Amateur Radio Club, visit the website at http://w8yy.resnet.mtu.edu or, for more information on Winter Carnival at Michigan Tech., stop by the MTU homepage at http://www.mtu.edu

"THE NEW DXCC RULES -- WHAT WAS CHANGED?" Editorial by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive this as an additional bulletin. If you are not a subscriber and did not receive a copy of the new rules, send a message (E-Mail) to opdx-request@nshore.org along with the word "archive" in the "Subject:" line and then use the command: get volume98/340.1 (command is case sensitive). Also, you can get a copy from the official OPDX HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE): http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html

THAILAND/MALAYSIA 40 METERS NET. HS1RU net control of this 40 meter net on 7060 kHz at 1300z will now listen on 7153 every day at 1330z for any USA stations that wish to work him.

V2, ANTIGUA & BARBUDA. Team Antigua will once again activate V26B from this beautiful Island in the upcoming ARRL DX Contests, both CW and SSB. Their entry in both contests will be a Multi-operator/Multi-Transmitter catagory. QSL V26B to WT3Q. The following are the operators of V26B (with their own personal V2 and QSL routes): V26A (Dale/N3BNA via WB3DNA); V26B (Sam/WT3Q via WT3Q); V26DX (Doug/W3CF via KK3S); V26E (Darrell/AB2E via AB2E) and V26U (Bill/W2UDT via W2UDT). Other operators included: John/N2NC, Andy/N2NT, John/WA2C, and possibly a few other operators will be added to these two operations. Please note that in Team Antigua there are many Frankford Radio Club Members. The Frankford Radio Club, celebrating its 70th anniversary, has extended its qualifying period for their beautiful award. Additional information about the Frankford Radio Club and the 70th Anniversary Award can be found at the following WEB site: http://www.frc-contest.org

V3, BELIZE. A joint IOTA DXpedition between the members of the Southern CA DX Club and the Bay Area DX Association (MI) will activate South Water Cay, Belize (IOTA NA-180) for the period 3-10 February 98. Operators will be V31VI (N6KZ), V31UY (N6UY), V31NX (N6FH), and V31TR (K8BK). Operations will be on all bands 10-160 meters on both SSB and CW. Equipment will be 100 watt transceivers with verticals and one 3-element triband yagi. Electrical power will be from a solar-charged battery system. QSL to home US calls.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. The 59(9) DXReport states Tom, VK0TS, is now back in Australia as VK1TS. He may go back in 1999 with better gear. Currently there is only one amateur on the island and only on UHF.

VP2E, ANGUILLA. Dick, K3DI, will be active as VP2EEI in the ARRL CW Contest (February 21-22nd). QSL via homecall (Dick Wilder, K3DI, 913 Shore Acres Road, Arnold, MD 21012-1724) or via E-mail for a bureau QSL: wilder@clark.net

YS, EL SALVADOR. The DX-group from Finland, originally aiming to activate Guatemala, has now crossed the border of El Salvador and has activated YS1X, especially for Europeans. TG0OH and TG7/OH3JF operations have been cancelled (NO other details given). The group will be active until Friday, February 6th. They will be near the City of San Salvador, at the QTH of Raymundo, YS1RRD. YS1X is the "contest" call sign of YS1RRD. Operators include: Carl/OH6XY (CW, RTTY), Toni/OH1TD (SSB), Heikki/OH3JF (CW) and Raija/OH7LIX (SSB). Suggest Frequencies:

CW: 1827, 3507, 7007, 10103/10108, 14007, 18077, 21007,
24897, 28007. ("Seven up" from bottom)
SSB: 1840, 3789, 7045, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495
RTTY: 14088, 21088, 28088

One station will be on for 24 hours per day. Second and third stations will be on at least 16 hours per day. The fourth (QRP) station will occasionally be active. QSL via OH2BU, Jari Jussila, Pilvijarvi, FIN-02400 Kirkkonummi, FINLAND

1998 DAYTON DX DINNER ANNOUNCEMENT. The Southwest Ohio DX Association is pleased to announce the Thirteenth Annual DX Dinner to be held on Friday, May 15th, 1998, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Dayton, OH. There will be a cash bar at 6:30 PM and dinner at 7:15 PM. Tickets are $30.00 and must be purchased in advance. Groups wishing to sit together must order as a group. A table seats eight. Please make your check or money order payable to SWODXA and send an SASE for ticket return. Seats will be assigned in the order that requests are received. Seats will be assigned on 15 March 1997. Seating is limited. Please order tickets from Tom Inglin, NR8Z, 4061 Eaton Road, Hamilton, OH 45013. For information on the dinner, contact Steve Bolia, N8BJQ at (937) 788-2803 or e-mail to n8bjq@erinet.com. Check the SWODXA homepage at http://members.aol.com/SteveB4622/index.htm for updates.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE! Users of the online BARF-80 BBS (Home of the OPDX Bulletin) take note, the area code has changed as of August 16th. The new 440 area code will replace the 216 area code. Currently both area codes can be used, but the 216 area code will be permanently replaced in April, 1998. BARF-80 BBS online at 440-237-8208 28.8k-1200 Baud 8/N/1
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OPDX INTERNET SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUEST: opdx-request@nshore.org
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html
OPDX SPANISH WEB SITE. (provide by "QTC Magazine" and Tony Pernas, EA1CSI):

http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm
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kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org -or- aq474@cleveland.freenet.edu
- OR - Send a message via packet to KB8NW @ WA8BXN.OH.USA.NA
- OR - Use the VOICE or FAX answering machine at 440-237-8208 which shares the same phone line as BARF-80 BBS using a data/fax/phone switch. To access: 1) Dial Number. 2) Wait for first ring (the second ring should be a false ring from the fax/data switch box) and then dial four quick ones ("1111"). (NOTE: Some FAX machines that send single "BEEPS" every second will not have to do this step.) 3) The phone will pick up and after the "BEEP" leave your voice message or FAX.

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2265. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125225600.RAA21863@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180591

In article <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY
>bring
down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of
>having
hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging,
>dope-smoking,
radical leftist.

Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an
>impatient Congress. Your move,
Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT
>going to wiggle out of this one.

Drew, in spite of the fact that I am largely in agreement with you here, I really don't think this is the place for a post on this topic, nor the place for spewing so many personal insults that no doubt would get you started in a good knuckle-and-skull session had you delivered them to the insulted party in person. Why can't you tone it down a bit? We are here to discuss topics related to Amateur Radio, not to call each other or anybody else a lot of names.

You worry about being unmasked and harassed for your posts, yet you continue in the same vein. You CAN be a gentleman and still voice relevant opinions here... the two things are not mutually exclusive. It is only the grudging respect for your privacy and the typical politeness that still infects most hams that keeps those of us who know who you are from broadcasting your callsign, address, physical description, etc etc etc. Yet you continue to act like a... well, act badly.

If you are kicked around in real life so much that you feel a need to lash out anonymously and irrationally on the usenet, try to find some counseling or something. We are here to discuss ham radio type topics. I think the name of this newsgroup is "rec.radio.amateur.misc", not "alt.trash.slick.willie" or "rec.radio.CB.10-4,good.buddy". Again, I would point out that even those of us who hold fast to controversial views here usually do not do so anonymously, nor do we generally give voice to them in an offending or irrational manner. Why not get with the program?

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2266. Icom IC-2350H Mod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Charles Francer <francer@gis.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29e6$110fb1a0$e3d171d1@francer.gis.net>
Source record: 180592
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.mods,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

There seems to be two different mods published to open the RX and TX ranges.

Could someone who has performed the modification please comment.

Thank-you,

Charles Francer W1CMF
W1CMF@amsat.org

2267. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125233001.SAA26744@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180593

In article <19980125225600.RAA21863@ladder01.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>You worry about being unmasked and harassed for your posts, yet you continue >in
the same vein. You CAN be a gentleman and still voice relevant >opinions
here... the two things are not mutually exclusive. It is only the >grudging
respect for your privacy and the typical politeness that still >infects most
hams that keeps those of us who know who you are from >broadcasting your
callsign, address, physical description, etc etc etc. Yet >you continue to act
like a... well, act badly.

You "know" nothing of the sort. You are merely parroting what a few others on this newsgroup have suggested.

Go ahead. Broadcast "Drew's" callsign, address, physical description, Social Security number, and whatever else you can get your hands on. Maybe someone will then contact "Drew" and he can confront you, asking why you and your friends continue to make these accusations and allegations against him, despite a lack of proof to back up your claims. If you're lucky, this is all he will do. If you're not so fortunate, he may well consider taking legal action against you for possible libel and/or defamation of his character.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2268. WANTED & 4-SALE Motorola portable radios

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: driver@browser.net
Message-ID: <885768539.723910660@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180594

I'm trying to locate parts for the following portable radios

Motorola HT 220's
groups of working radios that will talk to each other...
also Parts, antennas, batteries, etc.
UHF in the 460 to 470 width
VHF in the 150 to 170 width

General Electric MPR, I have 2 in UHF low band Batteries, Charger Tx-Rx
Elements Antennas (I'm also willing to sell (or Trade) these two radios
if your interested? they will operate 420 to 450 Amateur band)

Motorola MX series
MX-360 VHF (150 - 170)
Channel Elements,
Antennas
Batteries
Chargers
(I have 40 radios all 4 channels)
(these radios are also for sale or trade if your interested)

MX-350 UHF(2 radios-one 2ch, one 4ch)
Same as above

MX-340 VHF, MX-300-S (2 radios,4 channel)
as above except Eprom needed

Please let me know if you can help or point me in the right direction
(These radios are for a non-profit educational organization and your help
is greatly needed)

Thanks
Driver

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2269. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CBCDD3.77E09577@flash.net>
Source record: 180595

Rigley L. Case wrote:

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> >radical leftist.

Hey look, I'm not a Democrat either but if I were married to Hillary, I'd knock
off a 21yr old intern too.....

Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2270. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34CB57D6.352@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 180596

This discussion is so amusing, no evidence released yet, not to my knowledge, tho I haven't seen today's Sunday paper or watched much TV yet today. Some demand impeachment. Ya better be keeping an eye on the legislator during this distraction. They affect your daily life much more than the wandering willy.

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

2271. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <6agmbu$dvu@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 180597
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6agc4c$5qn$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...

>Exactly what definition do you use to say "amateur radio is going away"?
>There are more licensed amateurs today than in the history of the hobby.
>Amateur radio has seen consistant growth in its licensed numbers since
>its inception.
>
>The idea that "amateur radio is going away" is nothing more than yet
>another of the "10 Big Lies of the No-Code Agenda".

Actually, Michael, my concern is not with our absolute growth in numbers, but in our growth (or lack thereof) in percentage of our national population. You, perhaps, and others have pointed out that the influx of "no-code" hams is an artificial "hump" in the statistics. Keeping them in, we lose ground less quickly. Dropping them from the statistics, we are falling behind population growth more quickly.

Go back 10 or 20 years and note our percentage of the who population. One might reasonably assume that THAT figure would represent the normal percentage of people in the general population who might be expected to be good at ham radio.

The question is: why has that percentage declined?

The next question is: what can we do about this, if anything?

The no-code-test people would point to the code as the problem.

The pro-code-test people would point to attitudes of prospective hams.

Some might point to the attitudes of present hams.

Is ham radio "going away"? In terms of absolute numbers, no (not yet). In terms of relative popularity of the hobby -- it sure seems to be, except for the no-code influx. If we don't want ham radio to "go away" eventually, we will need to make some changes. I know you stand opposed to "no-code-test" HF. What do you suggest to regain "our share" of the population?

--Larry A. Warsinski--
N8JPK -- Calumet, MI
lwarsins@up.net

2272. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <6agmc0$dvu@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 180598
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6agbfg$5lq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <34CB4B1F.2B7C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
>>Why do you continue to make the mistake of using the
>>totally inaccurate expression, "No-Code Agenda"?
>
>As the person who invented the phrase "No-Code Agenda" (if you don't
believe
>me, go look it up in the DejaNews archives), I believe it is my right to
also
>create its definition. The No-Code Agenda is a catch-all phrase defining
>people who adhere to an anti-cw philosophy. Anti-CW might include people
>like yourself and Bill Sohl, who want to eliminate a code examination,
>and others like Carl Stevenson and Len Anderson, who want to ban the use
>of CW on amateur bands completely.

<snip>

>>Isn't using the expression "No-Code Agenda" just as bad as the other side
using
>>the expression "Pro-Code Nazi"?
>
>Absolutely not. I'm sure you recognize the definition of the term "agenda".
>That is very different from personalizing the definition and calling
someone
>a "Nazi". "Pro-Code Nazi" would be akin to me using the term "No-Code
Nazi".
>
>
>>Both expressions are inaccurate and designed
>>to elicit an emotional response instead of rational thought.
>
>I do not believe the term "No-Code Agenda" elicits emotional responses,
>any more than calling it "No-Code-Test Agenda" would. An agenda is a plan,
>a set of goals to accomplish, a set of ideas to promote. While the term
>"No-Code-Test Agenda" might better describe people like Bill Sohl, it
>does not accurately describe all people who profess anti-CW views in this
>newsgroup.

The problem with the phrase "No-Code Agenda" is that the term "agenda"
implies a concerted, co-ordinated effort and a definite series of steps, a
planned effort. Using it with the term "No-Code" asserts that the forces on
the opposite side of the issue from you have conspired together to define a
planned attack to remove all use of code from the amateur bands.

While you might believe that you see such a conspiracy, the mere opposition to the code test does not constitute such.

Your right to define phrases is somewhat limited to the normal meaning of the words involved.

Thus, to many people, "No-Code Agenda" is an inaccurate reflection of their position, and thus (almost) as defamatory as the unjust "Pro-code Nazi". They both really are improper.

73

--Larry A. Warsinski--
N8JPK -- Calumet, MI
lwarsins@up.net

2273. Need Mods for Kenwood TM-V7A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Jourdain <bjourdain@ocsonline.com>
Message-ID: <34cbaa44.0@news7.kcdata.com>
Source record: 180599

Please email me if you have the mods for the Kenwood TM-V7A.

Thanks.

Bill Jourdain
bjourdain@ocsonline.com

2274. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CC0081.38A3@geocities.com>
Source record: 180600

> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: 25 Jan 1998 18:16:48 GMT
> From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
> Organization: University of Hawaii
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc
> References: <01bd295d$5aefbc40$0100005a@wa6vse>
<19980125142300.JAA05427@ladder02.news.aol.com>
>
> Carl wrote:
> >I have every confidence that with a bit of practice I could handily pass
> >the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
> >to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
> >hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you
>
> We all know that the minutes spent per day in studying eventually become
> the same minutes spent per day in devotion to the hobby. No time to study?
> Then apparently you have no time to operate. Come back after you retire.
> Jeff KH2PZ

A statement true for some people, not for others. Personaly I, like
many others don't have a schedule that is the same day after day. Me
on Thurs. Tues. and most Weds, and fully half Sats. I can barely find
time to eat, let alone do something like practice Morse Code. But after
I get up on Sunday, I can do as a please til Monday night. Morse takes
that day to day grind, to learn, day to day time that is hard to find in
many people lives, does that fact mean they would not be good Hams if
otherwise interested etc. or that they lack time to operate. nothing
in 97 says that to be a good hams you have to tranmits every day.

2275. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6agrhr$65k$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180601
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <01bd29f1$710d5c00$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Bill ... please don't let Mike sell his "Carl wants to ban CW
>from the ham bands" lies to you ... I have repeatedly stated
>that I would not seek, nor would I support, any attempt to ban
>the voluntary use of Morse by anyone anywhere in the ham bands.

HCI claims they don't want to "ban guns" either. Their vitrol
speaks another message, just as yours does.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2276. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ags2m$66u$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180602
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6agmc0$dvu@btc3.up.net>,
Larry A. Warsinski <lwarsins@up.net> wrote:

>The problem with the phrase "No-Code Agenda" is that the term "agenda"
>implies a concerted, co-ordinated effort and a definite series of steps, a
>planned effort.

Yup. Although, I would disagree with you that such an agenda needs to be
"coordinated". All that is required is enough people to believe in it, and
spread the word. There does not need to be a 'controlling' agency/person,
as it were.

>Using it with the term "No-Code" asserts that the forces on
>the opposite side of the issue from you have conspired together to define a
>planned attack to remove all use of code from the amateur bands.

Sorry Larry. I can't buy it. The Codeless Tech license is referred to as
the "no-code license". It was back in the 80's, it is today. History
created the definition. Not me. Using the term "no-code" in describing
the agenda, as the agenda is merely an extension of the logic presented
for the no-code license back in the mid-80's, is perfectly proper.

>While you might believe that you see such a conspiracy, the mere opposition
>to the code test does not constitute such.

Conspiracies? Nah.

>Your right to define phrases is somewhat limited to the normal meaning of
>the words involved.

Lessee... "No-Code" (see: Codeless). "Agenda" (see: plan). "No-Code Agenda"
(see: Codeless plan). Yup, it fits.

>Thus, to many people, "No-Code Agenda" is an inaccurate reflection of their
>position

That's certainly your opinion, you're entitled to it; I happen to disagree.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2277. Re: HTX-202 Handi

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Martin <pmartin@bright.net>
Message-ID: <34CBF806.2A409892@bright.net>
Source record: 180603

You can order just about any part of the htx-202 thru Radio Shack. Get the service manual first as it has part numbers and schematics and makes it easier for the usually non-technical sales people. I do not work for Radio Shack so this isn't a plug for them.
I've just serviced a few for friends. 73 Paul N8ULS

Stephen Eagle wrote:

> Looking for junker HTX-202 Radio Shack handi-talkies. Need hardware
> to repair one for blind Ham. Finals can be blown, exterior condition
> not important, accessories not important. Parts I need are on the
> mainboard and are hardware primarily. Your help greatly appreciated. I
> will be glad to pay shipping.
> replies via: LKBlackburn@worldnet.att.net

2278. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CC326A.174C@nb.net>
Source record: 180604
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Robert D. Keys wrote:
>
> In rec.radio.amateur.misc Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> > On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> > wrote:
>
> > >Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find
> > >any Lids there?
>
> Occasionally one can be found, but that is mostly rarely on CW in the CW
> portion of the band and due to lack of experience and not bad manners.
>
> > > Sure there are bad ops on hf.
>
> Sure... Lots on voice in my findings ---- few on CW likewise.
>
> > > But most of them are on phone not CW.
>
> > how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
> > feeling against others by the use of CW.
>
> Well, if you KNOW CW, it is not a problem. There are folks that can
> rustle up a storm o' #$%&@ swearin' like the bosun in a heavy sea.
> But, RARELY, do they swear in vain on the air. In 30 years, I have
> only heard one or two cuss like the bosun, and that only for
> conversational emphasis.
>
> Also, there is more feeling transmitted via CW than you could ever
> imagine. You only need to know and feel the nuances of the operator's
> sending to read him like a book. A little of that is lost in the use
> of keyers, and most of that is lost in the use of keyboards. But, any
> CWist with some time under his belt, can read you like a book. You don't
> even need to know a callsign, and you can often tell who the other end
> is, merely by the nuances of his code. You can tell what kind of day
> he has had, and probably if he has had too much coffee, or a little
> too much rum, or the arthritis is settin' in if he is a grand OT.
> You just have to learn the art and craft a little to be able to do that.
> One has to put in a little time-in-grade to accomplish it. You know,
> ``the old fashioned way''.
>
> stuff deleted......
>
> > trusting that CW cleans up the jerks is the problem.

>
> Actually, it does. The jerks that don't know CW (OK they all passed some
> sort of silly test sometime back in the dark ages), i.e., those that are
> proficient to any degree are almost always the non-jerks. Go figure....
> that CW filter is working fine..... all the jerks are up on fone.
>
> (I know, that is a tad of bias, but, it HAS been my experiences in 30 yrs.)
>
> As T.O.M. was wont to say.....``enuf said''.
>
> 73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob

...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!

2279. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CC0A79.4281@asu.edu>
Source record: 180605

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

> >recordings?
> >In Maryland a recording is leagal only if both parties agree to tape a
> >conversation, B I N G O !!!
>
> I sincerely doubt this, since it would render any covert law-enforcement action
> impossible. Even if it were true, it doesn't matter. Star operates under federal
> law. Federal law preempts state or local law.

Three points of interest here:

1) Federal law does preempt state law in cases where the Constitution specifically addresses the issue. The Constitution does not address the issue of radio or telephony. Reference the Tenth Amendment.

2) Law enforcement may obtain court permission to make recordings that would otherwise be illegal. This actually is germane to amateur radio in a way. The Telecommunications Act of 1934, and subsequent Federal and state laws make it illegal to repeat to any other person what you hear on non-broadcast frequencies. Thus, if Newt had been talking on 40 meters, about some illegal activity, such a tape would be inadmissable in court.

3) Kenneth Starr may be operating under Federal law, but he is still compelled to obey state law, and if he asked Tripp to make these recordings, he may have violated the law of MD or VA, or wherever the hell it was.

--W. White

2280. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CC3433.71D2@nb.net>
Source record: 180606
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Jim Kehler wrote:
>
> Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>
> >Jim Kehler wrote:
> >>
> >> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
> >>
> >> >On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 10:31:03 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> >> >wrote:
> >>
> >> >>Why don't you check out the CW portion of the band and see if you can find any
> >> >>Lids there?
> >>
> >> >> Sure there are bad ops on hf.
> >>
> >> >> But most of them are on phone not
> >> >>CW.
> >>
> >> >how do you swear on CW anyway ?? it's not so easy to transmit your
> >> >feeling against others by the use of CW.
> >>
> >> Sure it is Cutie Boy, .._. .._ and it's much faster than on voice.....
> >>
> >> 73, Jim KH2D
>
> >Jim, you cheated. You abbreviated.
>
> All good CW operators abbreviate.....
>
> >Sayonara, Brian/N0iMD
>
> 73, Jim KH2D

.....Good CW operators don't swear!

2281. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Worshum <wb6k@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CC1724.3A31@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180607
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Wayne wrote:
>
> Christina Michelle Hunt wrote:
> >
> > X-No-Archive: yes
> >
> > >>J M Noeding wrote:
> > >>>
> > >>> On Sun, 04 Jan 1998 19:36:38 -0700, Tony Hwang <oolong@netcom.ca>
> > >>> wrote:
> > >>>
> > >>> >Sure frogs don't remember when they had the tails!
> > >>> >CW was there first and CW is allowed anywhere on Ham bands not the
> > other
> > >>> >way around. I can live with no-coders in peace as a die hard CW
> > op. but
> > >>> >why from time to time this kind of stupid provocative comment
> > appears
> > >>> >here and there?
> > >>> >I never bother with anyone who does not like code. Just leave me
> > alone
> > >>> >and let me enjoy one aspect of our hobby of many.
> > >
> > Although I realize this is as much an emotional issue as a technical
> > one, I think you are missing the point here.
> >
> > Nobody would argue that CW was first, nor that it should not be allowed
> > anywhere on the bands... this is how it should be and I personally have
> > benefitted from this at times. During the 43 years I have been
> > licensed I have done my share of brass pounding and have enjoyed it.
> >
> > The problem is IMHO, the requirement of CW profficiency is strangling
> > the hobby and as each older 'CW capable' ham becomes a Silent Key, the
> > ranks grow thinner.
> >
> > Politicians only understand one thing... raw numbers of voters. As the
> > ham ranks shrink, because young people are not interested in learning
> > skills that are at the very least archaic, we grow weaker in the eyes
> > of those in Washington who would be only too happy to sell our
> > frequencies to their telecommunications buddies that have bought and
> > paid for them and have already taken the ability to LISTEN to portions
> > of the RF spectrum away from regular, tax paying, law abiding
> > Americans.

> >
> > The hobby is sick, perhaps even nearly terminal, and personally I see
> > deleting the code requirement from all classes of license except
> > perhaps Extra Class as the only way the hobby will continue to live
> > even if it never gets healthy again.
> >
> > In a world of the Internet, with world-wide dependable communications
> > available at the touch of any keyboard that is connected to a computer
> > with a modem and an ISP, it seems to me there is very little, if any,
> > justification to require an ability to handle CW.
> >
> > This is not to say that CW should be banned from the airwaves. There
> > are many devotees of CW and they have their place just as much as those
> > who live for Satellite communications or packet or SSTV or DX or
> > Experimenting... this is, after-all, just a hobby and there are many
> > fascets to that hobby.
> >
> > The concern is, one aspect of the hobby is the 'tail wagging the dog'.
> > If CW profficiency is to be required as a pre-requisite to enjoying the
> > hobby of Amateur Radio, then an equal profficiency should be
> > demonstrated by having a typing speed of, say, 80 WPM or a
> > demonstratable knowledge of Meterology, or a proven ability with the
> > intricacies of Radio Astronomy!
> >
> > As a long time Ham, it concerns me that the hobby I have known and
> > enjoyed for most of my lifetime could become a thing of the past
> > because of the dogmatic requirement that a neophite in the hobby must
> > learn to use an archaic form of communications. One only has to look
> > at the numbers to see the hobby is aging and few young people are
> > interested in joining the ranks. Unless some common sense prevails and
> > I would have to guess, it should be soon... the hobby of Amateur Radio,
> > at least in America, could easily go the way of other fraternal
> > organizations... When was the last time you heard of an "Odd Fellows"
> > lodge?
> >
> > Michelle Hunt
> > W0YMW
> > Amateur Advanced
> > Michell5@ix.netcom.com
> >
> > The problem
>
> Are we sure young people won't enjoy code? I started at an age of 13
> because code was fun. Maybe code should be advertised to the young as
> one of the "fun" aspects of the hobby.
>
> Just a different twist to the saga.....
>
> Wayne KC8Q

I believe ....who started when...who started how....or who started why in this fine hobby is illrevalent to any reasons why we must learn CW to upgrade for priveliges on the low bands. It's the rules we must adhere to & respect. Sure time moves on...we don't drive horse drawn buggies, but they do exist. A law student must study solved cases, a history student must study the alimo, we must take a driving test for a drivers liscense. Ham radio is a privelege not a right that must be earned not easily obtained.
Mike WB6K

2282. Re: Splatter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34cb9950.24618455@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 180608

Hi N1...

I read your message more closer when you sent it but, for some reason, did not respond.

When I got my licence, back during the mid 60's, part of the written exam was to explain how to reduce just what you are taking about. Amateurs, and theoretically anyone else using the radiio spectrum, are supposed to have their equipment adjusted in such a way as to prevent a distortion of their signal, eg harmonic suppression, over wide signals, etc

One of the results of a distorted signal, usually, is interferene with other services and we, as amateurs, are not allowed to interfer with other radio services. To the opposite of this a clean signal also, usually, results in a better soundiing signal to the station you are trying to communicate with.

Most of todays radios have built in circuity which is designed to reduced harmonics and overwide, spatter, transmissions. However, as you have probably already noticed many operators are modifying their radios to get more out of them and, as a byproduct, produce a signal with splatter, etc.

If the radio is properly maintained it should work within the fcc, etc, regulations.

To answer your question, yes, every radio operator's responsibility to do everything possible to maintain a clean signal with no harmonics or other spurious signals.

p.s. it is our responsibility not just good operating procedure.

Larry ve3fxq

On Wed, 14 Jan 1998 04:58:50 GMT, gareth@capecod.net (Gareth Crispell) wrote:

>Just curious what various operators think. Should stations do
>everything possible(within financial reason) with respect to general
>station setup and engineering, to confine their SSB signal to a 6 KC
>spread?
>I have always thought this was part of good operating proceedure,
>however, some of my recent e-mail would lead me to the conclusion that
>this is no longer considered true.
>
>de N1MSV

>

2283. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34cb9db9.25747298@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 180609

On 25 Jan 1998 05:49:16 GMT, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768) wrote:

>Jim Kehler wrote, in a past posting:
> "...And remember... 5wpm is NO CODE...."
>Now, I'm just starting to learn the code because I love SWLing/CBing, and want
>to get on HF. I want, like most of you, to talk in voice or CW and go around
>the world making friends and great DX "hits". So I WILL learn the damn code,
>because "dem's da rules" right now, and because I love radio.
>But my problem with Jim's statement (and I'm sure he's a good fella) is that I
>have to learn in steps, and if I can get myself to 5wpm you can be damn sure
>that I WON'T think of it as NO CODE! I hope to hell that most hams do NOT think
>of 5wpm as no code. If that's how newcomers are looked upon, it's a shame.
>It won't scare me away at all, I'm a big kid and can fight 'till I'm accepted,
>and I'm sure I won't have to fight at all, except to heighten my code/operating
>skills. But doesn't that statement make anyone else a little uneasy?
>We ALL operate at different levels, particularly when learning, and educating
>one's self is even more touch and go than schooled discipline. So why is "first
>grade" seen as a joke? We ALL were in first grade once. Give the new guys and
>gals a break, please. On my way to 13wpm, and 25wpm, and even more, I will at
>some point only be as good as 5wpm. On my way to knowing all about RTTY and
>Packet and how to build my own SSB 20m. rig, I will at some point only know
>that capacitance is measured in farads and resistance in ohms. Who wants to
>laugh at a guy trying to learn?
>I'll laugh all the way to Extra Class, I can assure you. :-)
>My opinion only,
>Mike in MO.

Hi Mike

1. most amateur, who have been using the code for several years and
have reached 20 wpm, consider 5 wpm as rather slow, you will after you
have reached speeds of 10 plus..

2. My congratulations on your starting to learn the code. I found it
a somewhat difficult task to undertake and I do wish you success.

3. There is no real reason to put down the code. You will find that
you will have many happy qso's on cw. Don't be too quick to criticize
it because of this code nocode debate. Give yourself at least 2
yearss of heavy code use before you determine its value to you. It
does have merits regardless of what people say.

Larry ve3fxq

2284. A book you might be interested in.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34cbb83a.32533069@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 180610

Greetings

I am a volunteer at an annual amateur radio display at a local fair.

last year, one of the volunteers brought down a book on antennas. I
spent a few hours, over a few days, flipping through the pages.

Those of you who like, or would like, to build your own antennas might
find this book of value. Though it was primarily aimed at the amateur
radio market, it also had a chapter on CB antenna construction.

I wrote down some of the pertainant information. The author is kr6a,
W. Clem Small

The book is titled 'The Antenna handbook'. $13.00 u.s.
Published by Grove Enterprises
p.o. box 98
Brasstown N.C.
28902

Larry ve3fxq

2285. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34caefce.356891123@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 23 Jan 1998 07:37:45 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:
>HF consists of only 3.75 MHz. We can't keep increasing our numbers
>down there year after year without *serious* problems arising. When
>I became licensed in '76 the bands were jammed with just (if I recall
>correctly) 150K hams. With so "few" back then there was no danger of
>losing them, in spite of the cold-war freq'y pressure that existed.

The ARRL was singing the same tune in 1934 when they lamented that HF phone could never support more than 16,000 amateurs, so code test speeds needed to be raised to limit access to phone operation. They were, of course, wrong. So are you. Amateurs adopted better technologies and sharper operating practices to cope with the increase in HF phone numbers to 368,000. In other words, the ARRL was wrong, and not by just a little bit. They were wrong by more than 23x. The reason that they were wrong was that they lacked the foresight to see the effects of technological change, and the pressure for that change which increased numbers brings.

Even today we are orders of magnitude below the Shannon capacity limit for HF. And technologies such as low rate codecs and spread spectrum could allow us to accomodate millions of amateurs on HF. But that won't happen as long as we cling to 1934 attitudes.

>>Many people are crying about Amateurs not being innovative or
>>leading in the development of new technology.
>
>Read our history and you'll see that 99.99+% of all amateurs have been
>followers, not leaders. You can only name a few dozen amateurs who
>really contributed to the advancement of communications; eliminate the
>expensive labs and funding their company provided, and the numbers are
>much less.

Indeed, only a fraction of a percent of amateurs are innovators. And that's also true of the population as a whole. It is a bell curve. And there is no reliable way to predict which amateur, or which member of the population as a whole, will be the one to drive innovation. Who could have guessed that a portrait painter would popularize wireline telegraphy? There is no test we can use to determine such things a priori. But a rising tide lifts all boats. We do know that if we increase numbers we will also increase the numbers of that tiny percentage who will be innovators.

You are wrong about corporate labs, however. Most innovations by amateurs have been done outside of corporate labs and without corporate support. In fact, the era of the large corporate lab as a source of innovation is over in general. Most innovation comes from humble locations, done by people working

on shoestring budgets. The beginnings of the microcomputer revolution are illustrative of that. Most of the primary work was done on kitchen tables and in garages. Only later did the big corporations commercialize it. This was an example of the amateur spirit at its best.

Wireless communications is entering a revolutionary period where most innovation involves signal design, coding, and processing, IE its all software and firmware. That's cottage industry at its finest. Anyone with a PC and a compiler can participate on the same footing as a corporate worker in a cubicle *if they have the incentive to do so*. The corporate worker's incentive is a paycheck. The incentive for the amateur is to be able to do something neat, IE the classic hacker ethic. But when the regulations restrict his ability to actually use what he invents, there is no incentive to invent.

>> Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
>>off by the code requirements.
>
>Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
>6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
>conducted in that region.

None of which involves F layer propagation as you very well know. HF is a *very* different environment from VHF+. It calls for very different techniques and a very different approach. It is not a benign line of sight gaussian noise environment. Different signal designs and different signal processing techniques are required to optimize its utility. That's precisely what makes it interesting, and what makes it attractive to the hacker ethic which drives amateur innovation.

>> but we need a constant infusion
>>of new people and ideas or the ARS will not be competive with the newer
>>technologies.
>
>Ummm, who are we supposed to be competition with? The military? The
>maritime service? The telephone industry?

All of them and many more. They are all competitors for spectrum allocations. If amateur radio is not seen as making best use of its spectrum, any of its spectrum, it puts all of its spectrum at risk. We are all tarred with the same brush. We know that most innovation is done by people under 30, but most current amateurs will never see 30 again. That's why we need a constant infusion of new amateurs with fresh viewpoints and new ideas. If amateur radio is to hold its own against other services, it must show that it still offers value to the nation as more than a playground for a select group of senior citizens with archaic skills.

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2286. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb0232.361600065@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180636

On 23 Jan 1998 23:15:51 GMT, mailfrmpa@aol.com (MailfrmPA) wrote:
>>Basically, the band plans are a gentleman's agreement.
>
>>Apparently, people don't want to act in a gentlemanly way.
>
>I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech typically
>doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and "gentleman's
>agreements?"

Well, he won't learn them by joining the ARRL. Most areas do *not* use
the ARRL bandplans (at least not in toto) . Bandplans on VHF/UHF are
local agreements, and the best way to learn about them is to ask other
local amateurs.

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2287. Re: 700 Club - "HERF - Guns" (RF-Guns) BS or What ???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb068b.362713235@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180637

On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 09:01:11 GMT, chipster66@hotmail.com (Chipster) wrote:
>I happened to tune into Pat Robertsons 700 Club tonight about 3/4 of
>the way through the program, they were discussing "HERF-Guns" (High
>Energy Radio Frequency) Guns , some of which are supposedly mobile and
>some that an individual could carry. "Supposedly" these "RF" guns can
>generate enough "RF" to disable computers, erase or corrupt HD's etc.s
>(from 50 to 100 ft) and were "supposedly" used during the Gulf War to
>Cripple some of Saddam's military computer installations. I suspect
>this is "Junk Science" for the most part as a lot of prior
>"information" I've seen on the 700 club might as well appear in
>alt.conspiracy but I was curious if anyone had any insight into this.

Portable EMP devices do exist. Police have been experimenting
with them as a method of stopping speeders. The idea is, trash
the engine control computer and the engine stops. Of course
trashing the ABS computer could have somewhat different
results. I expect the lawyers will have a field day over this one.
Trashing over a thousand dollars worth of control electronics
to collect a $30 fine could lead to some very interesting liability
cases. Police have already found themselves in hot water by
using punji mats to puncture tires. Seems they tried them on
I-75 up in Tennessee and wound up having to buy over 100
motorists new tires.

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2288. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb0a41.363663708@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180638

On 22 Jan 1998 08:15:22 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>In answer to your request for suggestions on a HT, it is hard to really make a
>recommendation without knowing what activities you want to try, what size is
>acceptable, whether there are repeaters nearby, what your budget looks like,
>whether there is a ham radio shop close by, whether you are willing do deal
>through the mail, etc. I have a HTX-202 which though fairly bulky, can be used
>split, with PL/CTSS, has pretty fair memory features, didn't cost an arm and a
>leg, and I could buy it at the nearest mall. Like most HTs, it doesn't do CW.
>Output varies with the DC power source... I think 7 watts max with 13,8 VDC.
>Battery pack gives a bit less.
>
>Most serious VHFers will find a LOT lacking in this HT, but since I wasn't
>really certain I would use VHF very much, and since that actually proved to be
>the case, I am glad that I bought an inexpensive rig that is recognizeable
>enough to sell easily should I decide to part with it. Had I gotten bit by the
>FM bug, I would probably have upgraded post haste to a nice shirt-pocket-size
>dual-bander or a powerful base set that does everything but tell me what to
>say and who to talk to, and I would have possibly regretted somewhat my choice
>for my first VHF rig.

Actually, most serious VHFers will acknowledge that the HTX202 is the
best currently available 2m handheld. The receiver has the best front end
filtering of any HT on the amateur market. Unfortunately, it isn't a dual bander,
so it doesn't meet the poster's requirements.

Most serious VHFers will also say that starting out with a HT is the wrong way
to go. A mobile/base radio is much better than any HT. And I would add that for
one starting out, buying a *used* mobile rig is the way to go. It has already taken
the big depreciation hit that occurs when it is first taken out of the box, and it
will lose its remaining value much more slowly. So if it doesn't exactly meet
your fancy, you'll be able to resell it without much loss. Nothing very revolutionary
has happened with mobile dual banders in the last couple of years, so you won't
be at a disadvantage by buying a used radio.

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2289. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb2dd2.372769555@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 00:50:16 -0000, "Reg Edwards" <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com> wrote:
>I suggest the phone would only be line of sight if the door was
>opened and the phone user hung outside for the duration of the
>call.
>
>The aircraft fuselage is a very good radio screen. Very small
>windows.

Not all that small with respect to a wavelength at cellular frequencies.
The fuselage actually becomes a pretty good waveguide slot radiator
at cellular frequencies. Do the math.

>Passengers may break rules and attempt to make phone calls but do
>they ever succeed?

They do on the ground, but after the plane reaches altitude they hit so
many cellls the cellular system becomes confused.

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2290. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6afa2r$4ui$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6advq8$mfb@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>So when did the editors of those magazines vote and pass the
>changes needed? Seems to me MD misses the reality of the
>situation in that it was the FCC that made the change happen
>and no one else.

Well Bill, if this is the case, then why all your belly-aching here about a codeless HF license? Seems to me that if expression of your opinion publically is irrelevant, since only the FCC will make change happen, that you should be spending all of your time writing to the FCC and none of your time posting to USENET about the glorious benefits of a codeless HF license.

>Seems that if there wasn't a codeless tech license we'd have far
>less hams than we do now.

Hmmm. So, is your sole criteria "bodies"? What else can we do to ham radio to increase the number of bodies? Lesseeee... If we gave away licenses in boxes of Fruit-Loops and Frosted Flakes, we'd get a lot more "young people" in the hobby! Yeah, that's the ticket.

>Additionally, I recall no one saying
>we'd have hoardes of high tech types coming in.

Revisionism in action. Go back and re-read the editorials and letters from the mid-80's to 1988 in QST and other magazines.

>That's more a problem (IMO) with a code requirement today than
>with nocode.

There is no evidence to support your assertion. Only your personal bias woven into a "crisis" for ham radio.

>Hey Mike, in other posts you say people are upgrading which
>is why there are more extras today than a year ago. Which is it.

The fact that there is a reasonable percentage of people upgrading beyond codeless tech is irrelevant to the fact that the license is a "dead end" license. It was specifically created for people who don't want HF access. It represents the one and only license class that the majority of people holding it will ever have.

>Once again, MD tries to taint the nocode TEST group by
>ignoring that many of us ARE coded hams with higher than
>tech licenses.

So? Its just the same crowd from the mid 80's.

>Bure unadulterated trash. MD wants you to believe that the
>nocode TEST group wants to BAN CW. That is bull and
>he knows it. There hasn't been a single post from anyone that
>would even appear to want that.

The pure, hate-filled vitrol posted by the No-Code Agenda Poster Boy, Carl Stevenson -- his disdane for anyone who enjoys operating CW, his open hatred against older hams, all available for anyone to read by visiting DejaNews -- is more than enough circumstantial evidence to show that the true motives of some (not all) of those involved in the No-Code Agenda is to completely ban CW from amateur operation.

>The reality is that neither I nor anyone else posting
>here in support of ending code testing has promised MD or
>anyone else anything as regards the nocode tech license.

More backpedaling.... Kind of like Bill Clinton: "err, I never had sexual relations with that intern" (of course, since Clinton doesn't consider oral sex to be 'sexual relations', he believes he is 'telling the truth'.) In a similar vein, Bill Sohl claims "I never promised you anything". Well, he is right -- he never did. Of course, the movement which he is part of, that he identifies with -- did promise certain things.

>MD also ignors again the large expansion
>of the Novice and Tech question pools in July of 97.

Double nothing is still nothing.

>>There is no resistance to change in amateur radio. Amateur radio is many
>>things to many people. Some like EME, some like CW.
>
>To bad MD doesn't believe what he writes in terms of appropriate
>test requirements.

Bill Sohl ignores numerous postings from myself where I publically state that I openly support "mode-based testing", where individuals are only tested in those modes they wish to operate.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2291. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6afbfs$53q$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180641

In article <6aeji0$6sq@dfw-ixnews4.ix.netcom.com>,
Constantine Thomas <ctwla@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>What would you say if this is a trap to catch Star making ileagal
>recordings?
>In Maryland a recording is leagal only if both parties agree to tape a
>conversation, B I N G O !!!

I sincerely doubt this, since it would render any covert law-enforcement action impossible. Even if it were true, it doesn't matter. Star operates under federal law. Federal law preempts state or local law.

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2292. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6afbsc$54j$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180642

In article <01bd295d$5aefbc40$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>NO, Mike ... as has been pointed out MANY times here ... YOU are
>the liar ...

Kinda like the time you publically stated "I've never posted from work"
yet I was able to find postings you made from within the USR.COM domain?

>you occasionally make a disingenuous "offer of compromise"
>(usually something like "fine, eliminate the code test, eliminate
>the theory test, and just test on UPS/FedEx shipping skills" ...)

Over the years I've floated a half-dozen proposals. Of course, you're too
busy composing personal attacks against anyone you disagree with to
actually read them. Your whole life is consumed with hate of a single
mode of operation. Your obsession transfers the hate to everything, and
everyone, associated with it -- older hams, the ARRL, pro-code supporters,
etc. Truely sad and pathetic.

>> >Many self-proclaimed advocates of "progress" have developed a degree of
>> >hostility towards the those we demonize because we realize its the only
>> >way we can convince others that we, ourselves, are not a bunch of nut-
>> >cases.
>
>Oh ... I see you're altering posts again to make "quotes" that people
>(like me) didn't really say (someone *really* should break your fingers to
>cure you of this disgusting, dishonest habit you've developed ...)

All that really happens is take your quote, pipe it into the
Carl Stevenson Bullshit Decomposition Filter, and out pops the true
meaning of your posting.

>> Its only an "initiation" or "hazing" to those unable to pass it. Which,
>> after 25 years as a coded tech, its pretty clear you're not able to.
>
>I have every confidence that with a bit of practice I could handily pass
>the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
>to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
>hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you

You're sooooo right, Carl. You're special.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.

--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2293. Re: Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: rdcole@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <34cb339d.54282403@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180643

On 23 Jan 1998 04:16:48 GMT, jhine41015@aol.com (JHine41015) wrote:

>Hello all,..... Where and how can I get information /
>training and schooling regarding this license. It is my understanding that
>this license is required to perform repairs on UHF/VHF base stations and paging
>terminals. Can someone steer me in the right direction? **** Thanks in
>advance for your help. **** Jeremy **** KF4RTY

They replaced it with a General Ticket then did away with the need for
the General. You don't need a ticket to work on these radios any
more.

Ron

2294. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb387c.375500218@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180644
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Mon, 12 Jan 1998 20:29:50 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>> Note that "cutie boy" has passed the Canadian solid copy requirement
>> at 5 WPM, which tends to dilute your position.
>>
>> Even a flatworm can be conditioned to run mazes. It takes no intelligence
>> to copy Morse, just Pavlovian conditioning to respond to tone sequences.
>> In fact, if you try to think, you screw up. So if Morse selects according to
>> intellect, then it would tend to select disproportionately those of low intellect.
>
>
> OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses Mouth.
>Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
>all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
>tapeworm can do it.

I don't know that tapeworms could do it, but it is Pavlovian conditioning.
If you've ever attempted to condition a flatworm or dog, however, you
know it isn't easy. And the higher the intelligence of the subject, the
harder it becomes. Conditioning requires *unthinking* response.

> So what say let's get off this no-code nonsense and get on with
>spending our time advancing ham radio as *Real Hams* and stop this
>phoney bullshit of griping about how hard it is. You have every one been
>shown up as phonies by one of your Priests of High Technology himself!
> Surely you all don't want to be shown up as being dumber than the
>average Pavlovian dog's tapeworm, now do you?

Actually, it would be the converse. Those smarter than Pavlov's dog's
tapeworm might have real difficulty. Of course those of you who simply
can't think at all have a real advantage.

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2295. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cb4324.378228464@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180645

On 24 Jan 1998 23:57:12 GMT, yrac@aol.com (Yrac) wrote:
>> All in all the idea that Morse is maintained by law, noit because some
>>hams wish it, is as big a lie as Hilter's claims that the WW2 started
>>because Poland attacked Germany.
>>
>>Mark Morgan
>
>Yrac responds:
>
>97.503 Element Standards
>(a) a telegraphy examination must be sufficient to prove that the examinee has
>the ability to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in
>the international Morse code at not less than the prescribed speed, using all
>the letters of the alphabet, numerals 0-9, period, comma, question mark, slant
>mark and prosigns AR, BT and SK.*
>
>*For sending test requirements, see 97.509(d).
>
>I stand by my original post. (1) The Code requirement is presently is required
>because of the law. (2) If someone feels strongly about the Morse code
>requirements as they pertain to Amateur radio, it will do much more good to
>spend time and words directed toward those who can make a difference, rather
>than writing long, repetitive articles on the newsgroup.

1) 97.503(a) is an administrative regulation, not law.

2) The FCC has publicly stated that the only reason Morse testing remains
is because "the amateur community wants it", meaning in reality "the ARRL
wants it".

The only way that's going to change is to change what the ARRL wants.
And that means changing the minds of the radio amateurs who ultimately
set ARRL policy, IE its paying customers. Since the ARRL certainly isn't
going to make any meaningful efforts to publish views opposing its policies,
that leaves forums like this for use in that effort.

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2296. Re: Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: The Bakers <mbaker@monmouth.com>
Message-ID: <34CB472D.615BEFFA@monmouth.com>
Source record: 180646

Gary Coffman wrote:

> On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 17:55:15 -0800, "J. Andy Thompson" <jat@wolfenet.com> wrote:
> >I used mine in the broadcast field, but it isn't required now. Anyone
> >with a restricted permit
> >can call themselves a "Chief" engineer. That's why I went into real
> >estate.
>
> Where anyone who sits through a quickie license course can call themselves
> a real estate agent?

I think you miss his point. What the FCC 1st phone requirement provided was some regulatory impetus for stations to keep the licensed engineer(s) in their employ.....hence there was a reasonable-sized (if not huge) market/demand for one's services. As the requirement was gradually eliminated -- 1st for directional AM operators, then for TV xmtr operators, next for chief operators, etc., etc. (doing this from memory, sorry if I messed up the details) -- the "market" for licensed 1st phones shrank, and hence the employment opportunities. Combine this with the overall consolidation in the radio & TV industry, etc. as well as the rapidly diminishing (as seen by many owners) need for 'traditional' equipment maintenance [say what you will about the chief engineer's --or even just skilled broadcast engineer's-- penchant for planning, foresight, preventitive maintenance, etc.......most stations just think of 'em as fix-it guys NOT members of the management team of professionals] and it's not an attractive picture to many as a career position. Obviously there will always be itinerants who work as contractors for several stations out of their pickup trucks and service vans, as well as the handful of folks at the big market stations, who continue to make it happen and do OK --- but I venture to say that many stations these days do not even have a "chief engineer" anymore. Would be interesting to check the listings in "Broadcasting Factbook" or similar to see how many are shown.

Driven by the regulatory requirement, stations provided opportunities (i.e., jobs) from which the talented and energetic could grow & excel. [And yes, the deadwood could drag along, but that's not my point here] Now a days, those opportunities are much more scarce and harder to hang onto if you do land one and can put up with the BS.

On the other hand, there are *lots and lots* of real estate offices around, each employing real estate salespeople, agents, etc. Unlike the high cost of entry into the broadcast business (if you even wanted the hassle of owning your own station), many brokers even start their own real estate businesses if they want to be truly independent businessmen. The point is that there are many more opportunities to make something of yourself in real estate.

On an apples-apples comparison basis, you have a better chance of prospering in real estate than in broadcast engineering.

Been there, done that, by the way. I started in Broadcasting in 1973 (P1-20-15378), worked my way up through operations & maintenance (mostly TV, some FM), put myself through college (B.S.E.E.), and worked as CE & Engrg Mgr of commercial UHF station for 4 yrs. But I could see the writing on the wall, and left the field to get my M.S.E.E. No, I'm not in real estate (although some days I've thought of it :-) but I've never regretted the move from broadcasting (although I do miss some things about it).

We're a bit off the ham radio topic (what's new in this newsgroup :-) but I thought I would reply.

M. Baker
WA3ZXO (to squelch the "where's your call letters" r.r.a.m contingent)
mbaker@monmouth.com

2297. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142300.JAA05427@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180647

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>the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
>to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
>hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you
>Mike ...

We belive you Carl

2298. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142701.JAA04489@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180648

In article <34cab24a.31646944@news.earthlink.net>, jsmollon@earthlink.net (Jim Smollon) writes:

>Smoking gun... hah hah.. ha ha ha ha... and Nixon was
your kinda guy right?

At least Nixon had morals. He didn't sleep around on his wife or loathe and detest the military.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2299. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142701.JAA05821@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180649

In article <6aeji0$6sq@dfw-ixnews4.ix.netcom.com>,
ctwla@ix.netcom.com(Constantine Thomas) writes:

>By the way get your own piece of ass and if you can't don't be jelus
>if
somene else is able to.
You must be a miserable undersexed jelus nervus
>repuplican, if you
don't know how to get some ask those repuplican senetors
>cought a few
years ago in an elevator sucking the office boys dry.

Clue: go back to first grade and learn how to spell correctly. It would really
improve your credibility.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2300. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142700.JAA04493@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180650

In article <6adu2r$k0g$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
(Rigley L. Case) writes:

>I received an election ballot for ARRL section manager. The candidate
>said
that, "we cannot lower our standards by any further reduction in
>code
testing requirements"

A real bright bulb, isn't he? Typical of the school of thought advanced by the
old, white men at the ARRL. Ham radio will not survive if these fossils are
allowed to continue to call the shots.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2301. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142700.JAA05831@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180651

In article <34CA76AD.2669@no.net>, Bill <billr@no.net> writes:

>It really amusing how the cbers will point to a few frequencies on the
ham
>bands to claim that ham radio sounds as bad or worse than cb, but
you can
>tune to ANY cb channel and hear all the garbage.

Must be that you live in a bad neighborhood. Here, it's only one or two. The usual agitators on Channel 19, of course, plus a few rednecks with big "LEEEEENERS" and noise toys. The other 36-37 channels are quite usable.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2302. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125142700.JAA04502@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180652

In article <6ae6ch$4c0$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>CB Bimbo, aka Spew Durigan, has a bad case of "ticket envy". He
>can't
transmit on 75 meters or 20 meters, so he tape records a dozen or
>so
idiots up there and parades them around as "examples" of how he
>shouldn't
have to take a code test.

You really need to get a life, Deegie.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2303. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CB4B1F.2B7C@ibm.net>
Source record: 180653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
RCA> >Saying that there is a "No-Code Agenda" is a lie. ... The no-code-test
RCA> >agenda exists ...
>
> Gee Cecil, contridicting yourself in the same paragraph, eh?

The "No-Code Agenda" doesn't exist because nobody wants to ban CW. The "no-code-TEST" agenda exists. A lot of people want to ban the outdated Morse code exam requirement. Why do you continue to make the mistake of using the totally inaccurate expression, "No-Code Agenda"? Why not use the accurate expression, "no-code-test agenda"? Are you trying to sneak more irrational emotional content into the subject than really exists in reality? Isn't using the expression "No-Code Agenda" just as bad as the other side using the expression "Pro-Code Nazi"? Both expressions are inaccurate and designed to elicit an emotional response instead of rational thought. If you want to divert rational thought from the outdated code testing requirement and promote your Big Lie, then continue using the emotionally charged inaccurate expression "No-Code Agenda". But realize that everyone knows what your are doing and why.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2304. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CB527A.7118@ibm.net>
Source record: 180654
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
> In article <34C8DF7E.6B0E@sedona.intel.com>, W6RCA <W6RCA@IBM.NET> wrote:
> > And my name isn't Carl.
>
> Yes, but you're beginning to sound a *lot* like him, Cecil!

Oh No! Anything but that! :-)

2305. Want SoundBlaster book

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kenk@primenet.com
Message-ID: <6afk3d$j6v@nntp02.primenet.com>
Source record: 180655

Does anyone have a book on programming a SoundBlaster card they'd be willing to part with? I'm not interested in the MIDI stuff so an older book would probably be fine. I want to incorporate the sound card's features in ham oriented computer programs.

Email me if you have something. I tried Barnes & Noble and Amazon but all the SoundBlaster books I've seen are evidently out of print and unavailable.

TIA.

Ken

2306. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34cc626a.879745@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180656

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <6aeji0$6sq@dfw-ixnews4.ix.netcom.com>,
> Constantine Thomas <ctwla@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>
>>What would you say if this is a trap to catch Star making ileagal
>>recordings?
>>In Maryland a recording is leagal only if both parties agree to tape a
>>conversation, B I N G O !!!
>
>I sincerely doubt this, since it would render any covert law-enforcement action
>impossible. Even if it were true, it doesn't matter. Star operates under federal
>law. Federal law preempts state or local law.
>
>
>MD

The key here is two fold:

The first is Tripp making phone recordings from her home in Maryland.
The question here is where was the other party at the time? If she was
in MD then it was a state crime. But if she was in Virginia it was
legal (only one party needs to agree). If she was in the District
(D.C.) I am not sure what the law is in this case.

The second part is that the Special Prosecutor used the FBI to make
the last tape, in a Virginia hotl with both parties present in the
room, where it is legal if only one party agrees to be recorded.

2307. How Does ZIPPERGATE affect hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34cd638f.1172822@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180657

Does anyone know how President Gore feels about the FCC and HAMS?
How his policies might affect us over the next 3 years? I don't think
Gore would want to make any waves by changing either the FCC or
auctioning any of our bands.

Les
W4SCO

2308. Info;Re. WF5E DX QSL Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: tbolt@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6afeih$okc@dfw-ixnews11.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180658

Has anyone used the WF5E DX QSL Bureau Service? How has it worked for you? Any good or negative comments? How long to get a card on the average? Is their any other private services out their? Any anyone can recommend? I Thank You; Rich tbolt@ix.netcom.com

2309. Re: (none)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125165101.LAA24810@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180659

In article <11B598DE573ED111A846006097CA0F422276C8@NJS>, MillerMC@jag.navy.MIL (MillerMC) writes:

>>

<<

Hey, now that's a neat trick!

Kind of like the "list of valid reasons to continue Morse testing in 1998."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2310. FS: Combo 8-Track/Reel to Reel $45 or b/o

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6afr1vkoh8@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180660

Unusual AKAI/ROBERTS 1725-8L III REEL TO REEL & 8 TRACK DUB DECK

A Very Unusual deck for 8 Track lovers. This unit was probably made by Akai is my guess for Roberts. Says Made in Tokyo Japan on it.

From the Back of the Unit it states:

MULTI-PURPOSE TAPE RECORDER

4 Track Stereo/Mono Reel to Reel
8 Track Stereo Cartridge
Transfer from reel to Cartridge

The unit appears physically in fair to good condition for its age. I do not have a power cord to fit the unit or manual, so I cannot vouch for its mechanical condition by testing it. It is best to assume it may need some attention or for a parts unit.
$45 or best offer

OR SWAP FOR TUBE TESTER.

Plus U.S. Parcel Post Shipping costs which are not much.

I'll pack it free

International buyer welcome.

2311. 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cb710d.852380@news.total.net>
Source record: 180661
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

160m was open yesterday.

I was hearing a bunch of stations near 1.82-1.85 MHz.

I am using random wire (about 60m long) for the antenna and both RX
and TX work very well.

Happy Dxing !!!!

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2312. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29b6$9fc338c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180662

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6afbsc$54j$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <01bd295d$5aefbc40$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >NO, Mike ... as has been pointed out MANY times here ... YOU are
> >the liar ...
>
> Kinda like the time you publically stated "I've never posted from work"
> yet I was able to find postings you made from within the USR.COM domain?

That is another lie/fabrication on your part ... when I said "I've never
posted from work" that was the absolute truth. Period, end of story.

> >you occasionally make a disingenuous "offer of compromise"
> >(usually something like "fine, eliminate the code test, eliminate
> >the theory test, and just test on UPS/FedEx shipping skills" ...)
>
> Over the years I've floated a half-dozen proposals. Of course, you're too
> busy composing personal attacks against anyone you disagree with to
> actually read them. Your whole life is consumed with hate of a single
> mode of operation. Your obsession transfers the hate to everything, and
> everyone, associated with it -- older hams, the ARRL, pro-code supporters,
> etc. Truely sad and pathetic.

I am *committed-to-change* ... not "obsessed" ... I attack flawed ideas
that result in decay and stagnation ... and occasional the more onerous
deviant personalities/philosophies amongst you fanatical pro-coders ...
like Larry's recent "go away kid we don't need/want your kind" shpiel, for
example.

The last two phrases in your last paragraph above are somewhat true, however.
(Many) older hams, the ARRL, pro-code supporters, etc. (are) Truely sad and
pathetic. Their backward ideas/ideals, stagnant thinking (if, indeed they
think at all), and the decay they have caused in amateur radio over the past
several decades is appalling. But, I am sure you are quite proud to be "in the
top 10" (of the most rabid, irrational pro-coders on usenet).

> >> >Many self-proclaimed advocates of "progress" have developed a degree of
> >> >hostility towards the those we demonize because we realize its the only
> >> >way we can convince others that we, ourselves, are not a bunch of nut-
> >> >cases.
> >
> >Oh ... I see you're altering posts again to make "quotes" that people
> >(like me) didn't really say (someone *really* should break your fingers to
> >cure you of this disgusting, dishonest habit you've developed ...)

>
> All that really happens is take your quote, pipe it into the
> Carl Stevenson Bullshit Decomposition Filter, and out pops the true
> meaning of your posting.

NO, Mike ... you take someone's words, twist, change, and distort them to
make them say/appear_to_say something that the person NEVER said, implied,
or even thought for a second, then you repost them as "quotes from so-and-so"
YOU ARE A DISHONEST, LYING, DISREPUTABLE PERSON MIKE.

> >> Its only an "initiation" or "hazing" to those unable to pass it. Which,
> >> after 25 years as a coded tech, its pretty clear you're not able to.
> >
> >I have every confidence that with a bit of practice I could handily pass
> >the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
> >to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
> >hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you
>
> You're sooooo right, Carl. You're special.

I didn't claim to be "special" ... I simply stated the fact that I had better
things to do than jump through ridiculous hoops for the amusement/satisfaction
of the pro-code olde fartz ...

> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.

Why don't you do ham radio (the world?) a big favor and
go camp out in a black sleeping bag in Ted's driveway, Mike?

> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.
>

2313. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: <>
Message-ID: <34cb77db.0@news.valinet.com>
Source record: 180663
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On 1998-01-24 rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com(RigleyL.Case) said:
rl>Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

rl>I received an election ballot for ARRL section manager. The
rl>candidate said that, "we cannot lower our standards by any further
rl>reduction in code testing requirements"

Narrow minded thinking like above IS the prime reason amateur radio is slowly going away. Morse code!?!..really, why don't we all just demand the major car manufacturer's revert back to the model-T. MOrse code will not eliminate "lids"..witness the "section managers" statement..jmho.

Regards.
Fran

We have enough youth, how about a fountain of SMART?

Net-Tamer V 1.10.1 - Registered

2314. Can I use a power supply as a trickle-charger?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125173800.MAA02133@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180664

Just hooked up a small utility battery (170 CCA) to power one of my radios here in the house. Radio draws about 7A peak on transmit, and this seems to work well. Planning on wiring in a trickle-charger (1-2A), and leaving it plugged in to assure the battery always has a full charge. Wal-mart sells these for $16.95. Apppears to be nothing more than a wall wart type power supply with 120VAC in and 12VDC out @ 1A. I have several wall warts in my "junk box" with the same specs. Can I simply cut off the plug, attatch the wires, and use these? Or is there something "special" inside the trickle-charger that makes it more appropriate for battery-charging applications?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2315. Re: How Does ZIPPERGATE affect hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125173800.MAA00771@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180665

In article <34cd638f.1172822@news.mindspring.com>, sco@sco-inc.com (SCO) writes:

>Does anyone know how President Gore feels about the FCC and HAMS? How his
>policies might affect us over the next 3 years? I don't think Gore would want
>to make any waves by changing either the FCC or auctioning any of our bands.

Think again. Gore is a radical environmentalist. If the case is made that RF exposure is bad for the trees, kiss your amplifiers goodbye.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2316. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Marston <microrla@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CB74AA.10A4@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180666

CBRambo wrote:

> At least Nixon had morals. He didn't sleep around on his wife or loathe and detest the military.

Morals huh.....What have you been smoking?
Here is the guy who prosecuted the Vietnam War with a savagery that made LBJ look mild. Carpet bombing Hanoi, authorizing the secret bombing campaign of Cambodia without Congressional approval. Giving the go ahead for the ground incursion into Laos. When the people of Chile elected Salvador Allende as President he and Henry Kissinger employed the CIA to violently overthrow it.

Your view of morality is the perverse conglomeration of contradictions found on the Facist Right. You claim to abhor the state but back despots who use the state in all its feury to crush governments and groups you don't agree with. And then you crow about freedom and democracy. What you stand for is freedom and democracy for you and everyone that thinks like you.

Yes it sure looks like Ken Starr has finally dug up some dirt on Clinton. Which may lead to his resignation. But the indescretions made by Clinton are trivial to the point of insignificance when compared to the atrosities committed in the name of the state by leaders you revere.

It's this same distorted moral code that lead Timothy McVey to setoff a truck load fuel oil and fertilizer in front of the Murrah Federal building killing scores of innocent Women and Children in the name of getting a few federal agents.

Mr Rambo the bilge you spew forth comes from the point of ignorance of history. Someone who only gets his information from Rush Limbaugh, G Gordon Liddy and the American Spectator.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK LIKE AN IDIOT!!"

2317. help mcmicro

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "kevin.kelsall" <kevin.kelsall@virgin.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29b9$d8cf6140$5241a8c2@default>
Source record: 180667

help wanted to program 2ch mcmicro ???

2318. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29b9$11288a40$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> lied again in article
<6afa2r$4ui$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <6advq8$mfb@jupiter.planet.net>,
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

> >Bure unadulterated trash. MD wants you to believe that the
> >nocode TEST group wants to BAN CW. That is bull and
> >he knows it. There hasn't been a single post from anyone that
> >would even appear to want that.
>
> The pure, hate-filled vitrol posted by the No-Code Agenda Poster Boy,
> Carl Stevenson -- his disdane for anyone who enjoys operating CW, his
> open hatred against older hams, all available for anyone to read by
> visiting DejaNews -- is more than enough circumstantial evidence to
> show that the true motives of some (not all) of those involved in the
> No-Code Agenda is to completely ban CW from amateur operation.

There is NO "circumstantial" evidence to support Mike's lies that I
"have a true motive of completely banning CW from amateur operation."
I (and many others) have REPEATEDLY stated publicly that no such desire
exists and have committed NOT to seek or support any such outcome.
I (and others) have even VOLUNTEERED to support the establishment of
"Morse only" sub-bands (say 25 kHz per HF band) where other modes would
be excluded so that Morse users would always have space to practice
their preferred mode without interference from more modern modes that will
ultimately proliferate. (Note that Morse use would still be permitted on
ALL amateur frequencies, as is now the case.)

Bottom line: Mike lies so much he can't tell the truth from the lies.
While I think Clinton is a lying, crooked bastard who should never have
been elected and should be kicked out of office, I find it incredible
that Mike has the cajones to rant about Clinton, since Mike is AT LEAST
as big a liar as Clinton.

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

2319. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6afv02$o8e$1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 180669

In article <34C8E405.4BA4@ruraltel.net>,
Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net> wrote:
>MailfrmPA wrote:
> The new Tech typically
>> doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and
"gentleman's
>> agreements?"
>>
>> K&#65533;MB
>==========
>Ideally, he/she would learn of the voluntary band plans from the
>instructors and/or the books used to study for the tech exam. IMHO, any
>new amateur who doesn't learn of voluntary band plans by independent
>means is not very interested in the amateur radio service
>

---------- I disagree. Many people are interested in the hobby but not with the same issues as your nor necessarily aware of the importance an issue may pose.

At this point I do not know the specifics for within a band as to which are set aside for this or that purpose. I intend to do so but haven't yet. So --- at this point I might trample on someone's territory and not realize it.

It would be nice if a cheat pamphlet were standard part of each ARRL renewal on a 3 year rotating basis to include the band plans. For those that do not join ARRL there is less band area for the Techs. to mess up with.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

2320. Re: Can I use a power supply as a trickle-charger?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher (Chris) W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CB85BB.9D2E9A31@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180670

A trickle charger SHOULD be a constant voltage charger....that is
the VOLTAGE remains constant even when the load current changes..
Wall warts are NOT constant voltage by design...the voltage decreases
as the current drawn increases.....(simple resistor drop or
just a xmfr and rectifier...no voltage control)
To keep a wet cell from overcharging (or boiling dry), the charger
should be well regulated....a 12V PS can be used if it meets such
regulation requirments....With the battery fully charged (and a fully
charged wet cell battery for 12V DC uses 6 cells, each capable of
2.2 Volts), the voltage should be about 13 volts. Set the power supply
at 13.0 Volts (not 13.8!) if it has a diode protected output (a diode
in the power supply that will not allow the battery to discharge
back thru the supply if the AC goes off)...If the supply does
not have such a diode, you need to install one inline on the supply
output feeding the battery and radio...it MUST be capable of
handling the MAX current required by the battery OR the radio which
ever is highest....then set voltage on the BATTERY side of the diode
for 13.2, attach battery and radio.....(when battery is fully charged,
and radio is not turned on, the supply should show ZERO amp current
draw)

Chris
WB5ITT

CBRambo wrote:
>
> Just hooked up a small utility battery (170 CCA) to power one of my radios here
> in the house. Radio draws about 7A peak on transmit, and this seems to work
> well. Planning on wiring in a trickle-charger (1-2A), and leaving it plugged
> in to assure the battery always has a full charge. Wal-mart sells these for
> $16.95. Apppears to be nothing more than a wall wart type power supply with
> 120VAC in and 12VDC out @ 1A. I have several wall warts in my "junk box" with
> the same specs. Can I simply cut off the plug, attatch the wires, and use
> these? Or is there something "special" inside the trickle-charger that makes
> it more appropriate for battery-charging applications?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2321. Mac PowerBook 160 for trade for HF rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: rpstech@roxbury.org
Message-ID: <6ag07v$fhc@bolivia.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180671

I have a Mac Powerbook 160 that I would like to trade for
a HF rig. The PowerBook has 4mb of memory and a 350mb hard drive
and is in excellent condition. I've used it for station and mobile packet.

Email for more information.

73
George - N2TMC
rpstech@roxbury.org

2322. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jan Allbright <jan.allbright.NOSPAM@usa.net>
Message-ID: <34CB8654.58A67B21@usa.net>
Source record: 180672

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <34cab24a.31646944@news.earthlink.net>, jsmollon@earthlink.net (Jim
> Smollon) writes:
>
> >Smoking gun... hah hah.. ha ha ha ha... and Nixon was
> your kinda guy right?
>
> At least Nixon had morals. He didn't sleep around on his wife or loathe and
> detest the military.

And those morals would involve lying to Congress and the american people, larceny and conspiracy to commit larceny, the creation of an "enemies" list and the usage of the office of the Presidency to order government agencies to harass the aforemented "enemies" and the sending forth of US troops into countries for covert actions ...

... right...?

2323. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125185300.NAA13990@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180673

In article <34CB74AA.10A4@earthlink.net>, Bob Marston <microrla@earthlink.net>
writes:

>> At least Nixon had morals. He didn't sleep around on his wife or loathe
>and detest the military.

Morals huh.....What have you been
>smoking?
Here is the guy who prosecuted the Vietnam War with a savagery that
>made
LBJ look mild. Carpet bombing Hanoi, authorizing the secret
>bombing
campaign of Cambodia without Congressional approval. Giving the go
>ahead
for the ground incursion into Laos. When the people of Chile
>elected
Salvador Allende as President he and Henry Kissinger employed the CIA
>to
violently overthrow it.

And he paid the price. He chose resignation from office in disgrace, rather
than an almost certain impeachment by a hostile Congress.

History has a way of repeating itself.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2324. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125185301.NAA12612@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180674

In article <34CB74AA.10A4@earthlink.net>, Bob Marston <microrla@earthlink.net>
writes:

>Mr Rambo the bilge you spew forth comes from the point of ignorance
>of
history. Someone who only gets his information from Rush Limbaugh,
>G
Gordon Liddy and the American Spectator.

Real news, in other words. Not the liberally-slanted, censored, biased crapola
that the mainstream press puts out.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2325. Re: Help... with 1st Class Radio Telephone License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Christopher (Chris) W. Boone" <cboone@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CB873C.B480D58D@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180675

No such license is required anymore for twoway or paging
xmtrs...(shame!)...ANYONE can work on those systems now...

You are required a FCC General now for intl broadcast, marine
and I think aviation.....but domestic use (except radar?) requires
no such license...
Chris
WB5ITT
PG-9-5322 (1st license commercially in 1974)

JHine41015 wrote:
>
> Hello all,..... Where and how can I get information /
> training and schooling regarding this license. It is my understanding that
> this license is required to perform repairs on UHF/VHF base stations and paging
> terminals. Can someone steer me in the right direction? **** Thanks in
> advance for your help. **** Jeremy **** KF4RTY

2326. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bryan King <kingbp@ka1fqt.mv.com>
Message-ID: <01bd29c7$ddaee7e0$030616cf@ka1fqt.mv.com>
Source record: 180676
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

The ARRL 160 meter contest is this weekend which would account for some
increased band activity.

73's

Bryan

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-.. . -.- .- .---- ..-. --.- - -..-. ..

KA1FQT
Grid Square FN42gv

Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote in article
<34cb710d.852380@news.total.net>...
> 160m was open yesterday.
>
> I was hearing a bunch of stations near 1.82-1.85 MHz.
>
> I am using random wire (about 60m long) for the antenna and both RX
> and TX work very well.
>
> Happy Dxing !!!!
>
>
>
>
> _____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
>
> Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> �tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
> Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
> C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit�
McGill)
> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***

> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!
>

2327. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125195800.OAA24325@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180677

In article <34CB8654.58A67B21@usa.net>, Jan Allbright
<jan.allbright.NOSPAM@usa.net> writes:

>And those morals would involve lying to Congress and the american people,
>larceny
and conspiracy to commit larceny, the creation of an "enemies" list
>and the usage
of the office of the Presidency to order government agencies to
>harass the
aforemented "enemies" and the sending forth of US troops into
>countries for covert
actions ...

Typical Commie psychobabble. Yada, yada, yada...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2328. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <6ag5la$2kg$1@newsfep3.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 180678

Gdfthr768 wrote in message
<19980125055300.AAA00502@ladder01.news.aol.com>...
>Hey all-
>I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes. They
are
>doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful
hints?
>I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the
testing
>policy already!
>Just maybe some association-games or memorization methods would help me
out. I
>would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get that
>much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
>Hope you can help,
>Mike in MO.

Brian: Please enter the following in the "for-what-its-worth" department.

I would avoid using any aid that utilizes plain text or QSO's. I would recommend a program that provides 5-letter code groups for receive practice. I have a small code program that is an excellent CW practice program. I believe that it is freeware or shareware. Great program for IBM-compatible! I can email as an attachment if you want it.

Try to learn the code as composite sounds. Do NOT learn the letters as numeric combinations of dits and dahs. For example, "V" is not three dits followed by a dash. It is the sound of these elements together that make a morse character. [An analogy: The word "car" is not the individual sounds of the "C" and the "AR. Rather, "car" is the sum of the individual sounds.]

The advent of electronic keyers has virtually destroyed the personality of CW'ers. Code is a language based on rhythm -- with prescribed timing intervals between the code elements. It is the variations of the timing that created the distinct "fist" of an individual.

Keyers allow people to send faster than they receive..... a no-no as far as I'm concerned. [The reason you can send faster than you can receive is because you KNOW what the next letter is when sending. You do not know what the next letter is when receiving.... so it creates lag-time between hearing, recognizing, and writing.]

To emphasize the rhythm we used to practice sending the following:

HLDL HLDR

BENS BEST BENT WIRE

When sent with a straight key or a "bug", you could OVER-emphasize the timing so that it sounded like a little ditty. Even using a keyer, it *might* be helpful.

Another tip: If you have access to CW practice media but it goes only as fast as you can comfortably copy -- you can still use the media. Let's say that you can copy 5 WPM comfortably, but your tapes (etc) are only 5 WPM tapes. Try copying the CW -- but circle every letter!

Hope this helps. Let me know if I can help you with the code.

Gary B
Kay 3 Good Buddy

2329. Someone call a plumber (was: New telemarketing scam!)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6afu03$qsf@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180679

In article <34ca04ba.0@lightning.ica.net>, <Hung-Lo@feedME> wrote:

>I'm so pissed I could shit!

I believe you might want to have your plumbing checked, OM - seems you've
got your pipes mixed.

Jeff KH2PZ

2330. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ag6cn$72j$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180680

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) says,
>
>FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
>down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
>hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
>radical leftist.
>
>Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move,
>Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.
>
>Buchanan in 2000.

I look for him to try to weasle his way out of this one by drawing attention
away from scandle. Maybe by ordering the bombing of Iraq for not cooperating
with UN weapons inspectors. I've seen a couple of reporters suggest this
scenario already.

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com *
****

2331. Re: New telemarketing scam!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125203701.PAA00818@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180681

In article <34ca04ba.0@lightning.ica.net>, Hung-Lo@feedME writes:

>
There is a new (and apparently "legal") way to steal
from you. You've
>probably gotten a phone call from
a telemarketer who represents one of your
>credit card
companies. I usually hang up. But they have a new
way to sell
>this crap to you, and it's VERY sneaky!

OK I sympathize and I would raise hell. but why post this here?

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2332. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: paul@actiontel.com
Message-ID: <34cb9f81.242042008@news.abilene.com>
Source record: 180682

Having been a ham since 1980 and coming from 11 meters as I did I am amazed at how 11 meters is looked at by most HAMS. There are good operators on both services. I operate the same on 75 as I do on 11 meters. I do not engage in practices that I would be reticent to allow my children to hear. It's ridiculous to say that all cb channels are operated by cb lids. A lid is a lid.

BTW, with all of the worry regarding new ham recruits, does not everyone realize that 11 meters is probably the most fertile grounds for ham recruits?

Paul
N5DUP

On Fri, 23 Jan 1998 19:21:20 -0800, Bill <billr@no.net> wrote:

>CBRambo wrote:
>>
>> In article <6aaq3k$iua@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>,
>> cgibbs@freenet.columbus.oh.us (Carl Gibbs) writes:
>>
>> >you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
>> each
>> >other on the air.
>>
>> Funny. I hear this exact phenomenon you describe on the 75m ham band. Much
>> more so than on CB, in fact.
>>
>
>You hear it on a few select frequencies amoung many different amateur
>bands, I can tune to any cb channel and hear it.

2333. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6afvig$rp7@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180683

Carl wrote:
>I have every confidence that with a bit of practice I could handily pass
>the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
>to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
>hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you

We all know that the minutes spent per day in studying eventually become
the same minutes spent per day in devotion to the hobby. No time to study?
Then apparently you have no time to operate. Come back after you retire.
Jeff KH2PZ

2334. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: paul@actiontel.com
Message-ID: <34cba1df.242648038@news.abilene.com>
Source record: 180684

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 15:28:03 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>

Tim Hynde (KA8DDZ) Wrote:

>Rambo is 75m the only band you ever listen to? their are 8 other HF bands which
>exibit none of the 'phenomenon' you describe above. I guess if 75m went away you
>wouldn't have much of an argument left.
>
-
Tim, that is rubbish. One can hear that on almost any amatuer band.
Certainly it is common on 20 meters and 10 when it gets crowded during
sun spot cycle peaks. BTW, listened to 2 meters lately?

I mean no disrespect but the bottom line here is that it happens
everywhere, it's not limited to any one band.

I personally think that it's a general society phenom. 20 years ago
even 11 meters was much more pleasant to listen to and the HAM bands,
even 75 meters, were almost totally devoid of vulgar operating
practices.

Paul
N5DUP

2335. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125000101.TAA05343@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180706

Hi Yo Doc:
Your post went right over this guy's head.....he must not have had his 1:30 cup of coffee when he responded! I loved your comment....I'm still laughing.

Yrac

>The secret sign and handshake cannot be divulged over an
>unsecured
>>communications media. Tune in to 14.058 MHz,
>and request same from any
>>FISTS member on that
>frequency. They can give it to you there, since it
>>would then
>be safe from the prying ears of no-coders.
>
>
>That's right. Nobody else would think of owning an SWL receiver, would they?
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>

2336. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6advq8$mfb@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180707
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <6abc7c$5lo@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>,
> Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:

>>>Everything above 50 MHz is available to them. Almost 130 MHz between
>>>6m and 23 cm. No code required. Quite a bit of exploration can be
>>>conducted in that region.
>>
>> If I read this correctly, the meaning might more accurately be "All you
>>no-code types stay off HF and leave it to the 'big boys'."

>It only reads that way if you're a charter member of the No-Code Agenda looking
>for more conspiracy theories than Mel Gibson.

>The plain fact of the matter was that in the mid 1980's the codeless tech
>license was sold to amateur radio on this premise: it would bring
>hoardes of technical geniuses into our hobby who would flood the VHF+
>bands, saving them from reallocation, while at the same time (because they
>are geniuses) would lead the charge in technical innovation and bring
>amateur radio into the 21st century.

>Its all there in black-and-white. Go back and read some of the editorial
>comments and letters-to-the-editor from different magazines of that era.

So when did the editors of those magazines vote and pass the
changes needed? Seems to me MD misses the reality of the
situation in that it was the FCC that made the change happen
and no one else. The FCC might have relied on input from ARRL and
others, but in the end, the decision was that of the FCC and no one
else. Ine can speculate as to what swayed the FCC's decision, but
there's clearly no specific FCC documentation that explain it in
detail to say that the reason is as MD states here. In fact, the
ITU had already eliminated code requirements prior to that for
frequencies above 30MHz. That being the case, it seems all
the FCC did was bring USA requirements into agreement with
ITU requirements.

>Fast forward a decade, and now, when the codeless tech license has been an
>abject failure with its goals (yes, it has brought a lot of people into
>ham radio, but it hasn't fulfilled any of the goals it as promised to) we
>have the No-Code Agenda pushing for a codeless HF license.

Seems that if there wasn't a codeless tech license we'd have far
less hams than we do now. Additionally, I recall no one saying
we'd have hoardes of high tech types coming in. We never

had that. We did have a good percent of technical people
and we still do... but we sure don't get the same input anymore.
That's more a problem (IMO) with a code requirement today than
with nocode.

>Back in the 80's, there was a lot of skepticism regarding the codeless
>VHF license, and most of those who opposed it did so because they
>realized two things: 1) it was a dead-end license for people -- once
>licensed, they have nowhere to go;

Hey Mike, in other posts you say people are upgrading which
is why there are more extras today than a year ago. Which is it.

>2) Shortly thereafter, they knew the
>No-Coders would be back demanding Codeless HF access.

Once again, MD tries to taint the nocode TEST group by
ignoring that many of us ARE coded hams with higher than
tech licenses.

>The No-Code Agenda is very insidious, and similar to that used by other
>radical groups like Handgun Control, Inc. The goal of this latter is to ban
>all guns -- but, they know such an idea is too radical, and would never be
>supported, so instead they take the "baby steps" approach -- ban a few
>guns at a time, and before you know it -- whooosh! All guns are banned.

Bure unadulterated trash. MD wants you to believe that the
nocode TEST group wants to BAN CW. That is bull and
he knows it. There hasn't been a single post from anyone that
would even appear to want that.

>The No-Code Agenda has adopted a similar, albeit shortened, strategy. First
>they went after VHF, and once they got that, they turned their heads to HF.
>Never mind that all the promises of the codeless VHF license were a bunch
>of bunk.

Mike, I promised you nothing. You have a problem with someone
specific, then take it up with them... be it the ARRL or any
individual. The reality is that neither I nor anyone else posting
here in support of ending code testing has promised MD or
anyone else anything as regards the nocode tech license.

>The codeless license was supposed to be a panacea for VHF operation.
>The vast majority of technical experimentation -- high data rate thruput,
>spread spectrum voice, etc. -- all require large amounts of bandwidth which
>exist on VHF and *not* on HF.

So what.

>If "technical experimentation" is your goal, then VHF is your destination.
>And, we *already* have a license, without any code requirement, to let you
>get on there in as little as 5 to 7 days (take the test on Monday, and you
>can virtually have your license via the Internet in 5 days) and start
>experimenting. All this, mind you, with a theory exam that is predominently

>rules/regs, has very little electronics theory, yet gives you the capacity to
>fry your own brain. How much easier can it get? How much easier do you want
>it?

MD again ignores that most of us have asked for and
pushed for more rigorous testing of theory/regs for ALL
license levels. MD also ignors again the large expansion
of the Novice and Tech question pools in July of 97.

>On the other hand, there is very little technical experimentation which
>occurs on HF (sure, some will try and concoct some ludicrous story to
>cover their real motives, but even if you accept their story as true, they
>[the HF experimenters] are in a vast minority compared to the type of
>technical experimentation that would/should occur on the VHF bands.)
>The *ONLY* rationale for a codeless HF license is to quickly and easily
>give people access to HF phone, so they can get on the radio and start
>calling SSSSSEEEEEEEAAAAA-CCCCCCCUUUUUUEEEEEEE DDDDDEEEEEEEEE-XXXXXXX!

You mean like all the other HF coded hams do today? Then
what's your point. Indeed, what's the need for HF at all by
anyone if only for recreational use.

>The No-Code Agenda is a lie, just as it was in the mid 80's. And, its our
>duty to stop it.

Your duty MD, sure as hell not mine. Frankly, your passion in
that statement is truly interesting. What will you do when the
change does happen?

>>and extreme resistance to changes that threaten/affect the useless
>>traditions of the supposedly "elite" licensees of the Amateur Radio service do
>>more to suffocate and depress Amateur Radio than anything else. What else do
>>you need?

>There is no resistance to change in amateur radio. Amateur radio is many
>things to many people. Some like EME, some like CW.

To bad MD doesn't believe what he writes in terms of appropriate
test requirements. Ending CW testing would in NO way change
the above statement. If someone wanted to operate CW, then
they'd learn enough CW to get started and just do it. What's the
fear here? What's wrong with two hams having a CW QSO
at any speed, even 1wpm if they want. If they like it they'll
use it and get better, if not they'll move just use other modes.

>However, we are a
>nation of laws. Amateur radio has a series of regulations to follow, and
>some of those deal with licensing requirements. Fulfill the requirements
>and get a license. Its that easy.

MD would have you believe that the nocode test group is
encouraging the breaking of law. NOT TRUE. We want
to CHANGE the law as is OUR right AND that is what

we intend to do. BUT, until that change comes about, then I (we) absolutely recognize that a CW test must be passed to gain HF access. Many of us have done just that.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2337. Re: BOTTOM LINE on CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2925$77591ee0$48a4cacc@dad>
Source record: 180708
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote in article
<34C86375.23CA@wf.quik.com>...
> Here it is, this just came to me.
>
> I will equate learning the code to when I was a kid and every
> Saturday night Momma broke out the old #3 wash tub. I kicked
> and screamed and fought it all the way, getting into that tub
> to take a bath, but when it was over I felt better.
>
> So grit your teeth, jump in and learn the code.
> You will feel beter when it's over.
>
> It might become a habit, the code, after all to this day
> I still take a bath every Saturday night.
>
> Curtis .. N5HDQ .. htt6p://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

Whether you need it or not, right?

2338. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <6ae28ipmg1@uranium.btinternet.com>
Source record: 180709
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

I suggest the phone would only be line of sight if the door was opened and the phone user hung outside for the duration of the call.

The aircraft fuselage is a very good radio screen. Very small windows.

Passengers may break rules and attempt to make phone calls but do they ever succeed?

Reg.
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Gary Coffman wrote in message
<34c5fc23.126917304@news.atl.bellsouth.net>...
>On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 09:13:39 +0100, Piotr Tomczak <pito@nera.no>
wrote:
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>>I agree that the guy using the celular phone was crazy, or
stupid, or
>>both.
>>There is very known fact that the mobile/digital phones casue
most harm
>>due
>>to the non linear mode their PA is operating in. This make a
very
>>wide spectural radio noise which casue some other
>>electronic equipment to behave wierd...
>>
>>It is not so bad with the VHF radios but I never use them
>>on the areoplane. Some times you can ask the personel
>>and one can get permision to use the build in areo planes
radio,
>>it can operate within our frequencies. It goes far this way
>>and without 'harming' other electronic.
>>gl.
>>Piotr LA9HFA
>
>Any cellular phone sold in the US has to meet the same spectral
>purity requirements as VHF or UHF conventional transceivers.
>They are *not* dirtier than a HT. The reason the FCC bans their
>use in an aircraft is that they would be heard in too many
cells,
>causing massive interference to the cellular system on the
>ground. The ban has nothing to do with interfering with

aircraft
>systems.
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>Cellular systems practice spectral reuse, IE the same frequency
>is used over and over by physically separated cells. This works
>well when the cellphone is on the ground because only the cell
that
>it is in, and the immediately adjacent cells, can hear it.
Frequencies
>are assigned to cells in a pattern which takes this into
consideration.
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>But if you take a cellphone up in an aircraft, it becomes line
of sight to
>hundreds of cells. Many of those cells will be using the
frequency of
>the phone to talk to other phones. So all but one of the cells
will suffer
>interference (only one cell can be talking to a given phone at a
time).
>*That's* why the FCC bans cellphone use in aircraft.
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>As far as causing interference to aircraft radios and other
avionics,
>the ordinary North American analog cellphone isn't a big concern
>because its operating power is low and the frequencies it uses
are
>far removed from aircraft frequencies. (PCS systems, however,
>operate near precision approach frequencies and could constitute
>a real hazard.) Some digital systems are also of concern because
>their amplitude variations can affect aircraft AM radios far
removed
>in frequency from them.
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>A VHF HT is much more of a concern because it operates near
>frequencies used by aircraft for communications and navigation,
>and it generally operates with 10 db more power than the
handheld
>cellphone. That's why the FAA restricts their use sharply. But
the
>FCC doesn't care, it doesn't ban aeronautical mobile use of
>conventional transceivers because the HT is less likely to wreak
>havoc with communications over a wide area than the cellphone
is.
>Though if you come up on a popular repeater frequency, you can
>key up dozens of repeaters at the same time, and that *is* a
nuisance
>to the users of those repeaters. But it isn't in the same league
as
>hitting several hundred cells at the same time.

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>Even worse than a HT, however, can be some other
electric/electronic
>devices. For example, an electric razor can wreak havoc with
aircraft
>communications and navigation systems. Laptop computers are
another
>source of interference to radio equipment operating at aircraft
frequencies.
>And a FM broadcast receiver, even if it meets Part 15, often has
enough
>LO radiation to affect aircraft navigation systems. So these are
restricted
>or banned during portions of the flight profile by the FAA.
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>The consequences of interfering with aircraft avionics can be
severe,
>up to and including loss of the aircraft if the interference
occurs at the
>wrong moment. There are two basic concerns. One is interference
>with air to ground and air to air communications. This could
result in
>the pilot failing to receive critical instructions from air
traffic control
>or from other aircraft. A mid-air collision could result. The
other is
>interference with radio navigation equipment. Enroute this could
>result in the aircraft going off course. This might only be a
nuisance,
>or as with KAL007, a source of tragedy, if not discovered in
time.
>During precision approaches, interference can quickly be fatal
>because there is little time to recover from misinformation
generated
>by interference. That's why all personal electronic devices are
banned
>during the critical takeoff and landing phases of the flight.
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>In some newer aircraft, there is a third concern. Newer aircraft
are
>adopting fly by wire control systems. If these are confused by
interference,
>control authority is totally lost, IE the aircraft can wing over
and dive into
>the ground without the pilot being able to do anything about it.
Operating
>unauthorized electronics of any sort on an aircraft is not just
stupid, it is
>criminally stupid.
>

>Gary
>Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
>534 Shannon Way | We break it |
>Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2339. Re: kenwood TS-50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: algo@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <6ae1l2$4pk$1@gte1.gte.net>
Source record: 180710

On 21 Jan 1998 07:04:07 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>(snip}

>Should you buy one? If you don't have $1600 to spend but still want a new rig,
>or if you need small size, and you are willing to live with the design
>compromises endemic with such a tiny rig, go for it. Take a look at the
>matching power supply and auto tuner also if you are into putting a really
>slick package together.
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I got a very clean used TS-50 along with the matching autotuner for
use at an old family farm home that I visit from time to time. The
TS-50 and the autotuner are each the size of a cigar box. I assemble
the station on my arrival and disassemble it when I leave. Takes 5
minutes, tops. Leave the equipment in a closet when I am not there,
taking up virtually no space, but could just as easily take it home
with me. Use it with a multi-band coax fed windom.

Great portable station.

73, Ray K1XV

2340. So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180711

FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking, radical leftist.

Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move, Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.

Buchanan in 2000.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2341. FS: TenTec Omni-D HF Transceiver $435

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: joseph@sfo.com
Message-ID: <6aeb1v$dqp@ramona.sfo.com>
Source record: 180712

For sale: TenTec Omni-D. $435. Perfect electrically
and mechanically. Case slightly shopworn - hardly
noticeable - no dings or dents. Owner's manual. PTO
recently rebuilt. Loaded. Optional internal circuit
breaker; all xtal filters: 2.4, 1.8, 0.5 kHz; 30 meter
kit; power cable with special TenTec plug; microphone.
A real DX machine.
JD, AC6PV (415) 431-6564 ac6pv@sfo.com

2342. ACS Newsletter for 24 January 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aea6h$rs8@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Welcome to the ACS Newsletter, developed by the ACS Training Unit of the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. Please visit our ACS Home Page at http://acs.oes.ca.gov

The purpose of this weekly newsletter is to bring those of us in emergency communications closer together by sharing common ideas, and by introducing new technology into the emergency services community. All individuals with an interest in emergency communications, disaster preparedness or helping the community at large are encouraged to participate here in an open forum.

You will find a virtual community here with representatives from many different organizations with the same common goal: emergency response. We encourage everyone, from whatever organization you represent (or just yourself!) to bring us your ideas, suggestions, concerns, manuals, handbooks, or opinions so that we may share them with the group. To those of you who have just joined us, welcome aboard! Newsletter Subscribers: <534>

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>From the Editor's Desk:
We said goodbye today to a dear friend and responder, Cheyenne Starr from Morgan Hill, California. For those of you who didn't have a chance to work with Cheyenne, she was an emergency services volunteer dynamo. If you were involved in ARES/RACES/ACS/GMRS/REACT or the South County Disaster Preparedness Project in Santa Clara County, chances would be pretty good that you'd see Cheyenne there. She died way too soon from complications of diabetes and heart diease on the 20th at 55 years of age. She leaves a big void in Santa Clara County's emergency services volunteer network. This Newsletter is dedicated to Cheyenne's work and her memory; she's gonna be missed.
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>From the mailbag:
From: "David K. Z. Harris" <zonker@Synopsys.COM>

Hi David,
I think you have been given some information from last year,
but I thought I'd take the chance to spread the word again, since
we're beginning to recruit HAM volunteers for our annual field
communications exercise.

The Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay (B2V) is an annual event.
Up to 200 teams, of 22 runners each, participate in a 20-stage foot
relay race from Baker, CA (Death Valley desert), over the mountains
to Las Vegas, NV. The event is for Law Enforcement-related teams

only, and the event has an international draw. (Watching the two Follow Vans for Team Calgary (CA, RCMP), with their three large flags flying in the early dawn light was awesome! L.A.P.D. S.W.A.T. runners run their legs in full turnout gear and boots!) The Official website for the event itself is located at

http://www.aol.com/~bakervegas

As a Ham field communications exercise, a core group from the San Francisco Bay Area organizes an effort to support some of the 'local' teams going to B2V. We set up a voice and data network that covers 2400 square miles, and equip ~20 vehicles with voice capability, and GPS (APRS) tracking capability. We stand a Closed Net, simplex networks, monitor the race emergency channels, and provide for shift operations. We arrange a convoy from the Bay Area to Las Vegas, and later to return to the Bay Area. We track volunteers that drive or fly separate form the caravan. And we have been at this for more than 8 years, while the APRS is only in its fourth year. (If you find an old AEA catalog, look for the PK-12 TNC ad, and the "Death Valley Tested!" insert . . . that was our group. :-)

This year, we will be supporting Fremont P.D., Union City P.D., and the Alameda County S.O., as well as consulting to a small number of other teams.

Because we need to rely on a lot of loaned equipment, and need to integrate it at the 'last minute', we have developed a Radio/TNC interconnect scheme which basically means that you make a cable for your Radio and for your TNC (which meet the specs on our web pages; http://baker-to-vegas.org/overview.html). This way, if we have a problem in the field, we can easily swap a radio or TNC out for a 'hot spare'. The other advantage for the folks that make use of the cabling spec is that it becomes very easy for folks to field TNCs for ARES events. We also label EVERYTHING so that folks get the loaned gear back, but as the storms move in this winter, the labels have made it easier for folks to loan gear to affected cities, and then get their gear back later! :-)

We've also developed a model for folks to use to set up a radio and TNC for home use, which can be quickly converted to an APRS tracker package. (http://baker-to-vegas.org/aprspkg.html)

As the ARES training officer (Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator for Training) for the ARRL East Bay Section, I feel this is the best event an emergency communicator can take part in, because it is the best simulation of a RACES activation. Except for the part about being able to schedule this months in advance, we use this effort to put on training classes, and then the group is 'activated' to go to a staging area (Las Vegas). A caravan, with travel frequencies is run. You bring your "grab and go" gear, and supplies for a few days away from home. You

sleep in a motel, some folks need to car-camp at field locations,
you are assigned a shift with position and tasks, you take part
in open and closed nets, and you are MILES from the closest
Radio Shack store! (If you didn't bring it, you do without.
If you can't repair it, you do without. This is the Practical
Exam for the training classes. ;-) On the plus side, AES has
a walk-in store in Las Vegas, which looks much like a Ham Radio
Outlet store, if you are interested.

One quick clarification regarding costs: we fund our own expenses
for this trip. We have no funds for hotels or travel. We do not get
reimburssed by the agencies we serve. We do have a block of reserved
rooms at the Circus-Circus, which is a mid-range-cost hotel, but
our volunteers may stay wherever they choose. (Yes, the volunteers
pay their own way, and many of them are returning, year after year,
for the experiences. :-)

There are two things that I promise the folks that volunteer;
1) You *WILL* learn something new, regardless of your experience level
2) You will wind up with your own personal story from this event.
(You can hear stories about, and from others, but you will also have
a story of your own to tell by the end of the event.)

If you are interested in finding out more about our efforts
for 1998, or participating, you can check our website at

http://baker-to-vegas.org

The best email address to reach me is n6uow@baker-to-vegas.org
Questions about volunteering should go to staffing@baker-to-vegas.org
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Current Events:
Dave,
Would you be able to put the following information in the "ACS
Newsletter" for the next several Saturdays re: Winterfest 98' in
Monterey, sponsored by the Naval Postgraduate School Amateur Radio Club:

WINTERFEST 98'
February 21, 1998 (Saturday) 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM
National Guard Armory (behind Monterey Peninsula College)
Monterey, California

FREE Public Service Event

ALL facets of Amateur Radio will be represented and demonstrated!

Spread Spectrum Satellite
Voice & CW Packet
ATV APRS
MARS ARES

Hopefully we will also have several "static" displays:

Red Cross Van (ERV) Santa Cruz ARES Van

The California Department Of Forestry and Fire Prevention
Volunteers in Prevention (Amateur Radio
Comunications), will also be represented and will have
pamphlets on the program, as well as, registration applications.

The Web Page: www.mcktech.com/wf98.htm

On the Web page there are futher details on Winterfesr 98' and many
other 'sites', connected to 'ham' radio. There is also a map on how to
get to the college and specifically the National Guard Armory!

73's
Bob / N6IBO
Salinas Valley Emergency Corrdinator
Monterey County Office of Emergency Services
ARES / RACES Liaison

Oakland, Calif., January 23, 1998 - The Federal Emergency Management
Agency (FEMA) today designated Oakland a "disaster resistant" community.
This designation is part of Project Impact, a national effort to change
the way America deals with disasters, shifting the focus of emergency
management from responding to disasters to initiating action prior to
disasters to reduce potential damage.

"We've got to change the way we deal with disasters. We have to better
prepare for disasters that we know are coming," said FEMA Director James
Lee Witt. "In Oakland, a local partnership of government, businesses and
private citizens is forming to reduce the costs and consequences of
disasters. This type of activity is my number one priority."

The Oakland community has already formed a collaborative partnership to
ensure that Safety And Future Empowerment (SAFE) through loss reduction
measures can help counter the effects of future disasters. This
initiative is called Partnership for a SAFE Oakland (Project SAFE).

"This exciting partnership complements the City of Oakland's goals in
which public safety is a top priority," said Oakland Mayor Elihu Harris.
"Project SAFE is the beginning of a vital program to further ensure that
businesses and the community will be better prepared to respond and
recover from major emergencies."

Under the terms of the memorandum of agreement signed today, Project
Impact/Project SAFE partners will undertake activities such as hazard
analysis, risk assessment and establishing a home/business strengthening
program. In addition, the City's utilities and infrastructure will be
subject to a comprehensive study to determine their vulnerability to
storms; the highest priorities identified in the study will be
implemented.

Some of the Project Impact/Project Safe partners include FEMA, the State
of California and the City of Oakland, Chevron, EQE International, Inc.,
Washington Mutual, the American Red Cross Bay Area, the Oakland Municipal

Chamber of Commerce and the Collaborating Agencies Responding to Disasters (the CARD Project), a nonprofit organization representing 18 Oakland organizations.

Project Impact/Project Safe partners agreed to a series of steps to mitigate damage to their facilities, to provide emergency training and special services to aid employees and to provide technical assistance, financial resources or in-kind services to compliment other members of the community.

Under Project Impact, six other pilot communities - Allegany County, Md.; Deerfield Beach, Fla.; Pascagoula, Miss.; Seattle, Wash.; Tucker and Randolph counties, W.Va. and Wilmington, N.C. -- have also been selected to demonstrate the economic benefits of pre-disaster mitigation to state and local governments, businesses and individuals. A Project Impact guidebook developed by FEMA offers a formula communities can follow to become "disaster resistant." --FEMA

APCO Institute will be conducting a Telecommunicator Instructor Course in Glendale Heights, Illinois on March 16-20, 1998. The cost for this course is $329. It is hosted by DuPage Public Safety Communications (DU-COMM), Mr. Richard Bauer at 630-260-7500.
For more information or registration information, call APCO Institute at 888-272-6911, or email to institute@apcointl.org. You can also check out the APCO International website at www.apcointl.org
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This week's EMCOMM Bulletin:

EMC116 Radio and Money For release 1/26/98

One of the driving forces in today's government is what is best described as "bottom-line management", meaning the lowest cost of operations.

It certainly seems justified to eliminate any system that cannot be really justified in view of the short budgets most governments face today.

For some, today's wired systems put the need for radio in the background, especially if the manager considers radio an old fashioned system. Viola, to that person radio is no longer a justified expenditure; or it is so far down the list that the radio system is starved for funds.

In many cases it is hard to make a case for the funds for a radio where there has been no essentially required utilization of that system for a period of years. If it is not used, then why fund it is a logical argument.

Logic is the basis upon which the bottom-dollar concept rests. Yet, there is more than logic involved in the field of emergency management - there is the matter of what is best for the citizens that the jurisdiction serves. What is best often is _not_ a bottom-dollar decision. It may, in fact, be just the opposite. For a community that has never had an earthquake, yet which faces a 35% chance that a severe one may occur in the next decade which view should prevail? (1) It's never happened and it's not bottom-dollar effective to put money into any system that is earthquake related. Or (2) In the interests of protecting the jurisdictions ability to effectively respond _should_ an earthquake occur, we need to provide for a suitable radio system.

Radio? Yes, radio! Why? Because radio provides WHAT NO OTHER SYSTEM CAN OFFER - diversity, instant recovery, total deployability, single sender/multiple receiver communications, instant expandability to overcome heavy congestion. There are countless instances each year where radio is the essential tool required for the restoration of normal communications following an emergency. The fact that it may not have occurred in your jurisdiction for the past 15 to 25 years does not mean it won't this year!

The radio to which I refer is _more than_ government's own Public Safety systems. It also includes the Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) - an emergency communications unit that is a part of the local jurisdiction. The ACS is comprised of FCC Amateur Radio Service licensees and others with valuable skills in communications. The availability of the Amateur Radio frequencies in an emergency is an extremely valuable asset any government is well advised to cultivate to the utmost. How to do that is another subject. Here the purpose is to remind all managers that the ACS and similar type units are an asset far too valuable to let bottom-dollar actions jeopardize.

ACS Web page: http://acs.oes.ca.gov FTP archive: ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/packet/tcpip/incoming for new bulletins and ftp.ucsd.edu/hamradio/races for earlier ones.
Landline BBS: 916-262-0856 (graphical & standard interface).
OES ACS staff manager Stan Harter: Stanly_Harter@oes.ca.gov
State Chief ACS Officer Cary Mangum: Cary_Mangum@oes.ca.gov
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Please let others in the emergency services field know of the newsletter, and encourage them to join... If you have opinions, suggestions or written material that you'd like to share with the group, let us know. We're always looking for new ideas and suggestions that will benefit everyone.

See you next week!

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subscribe acs-newsletter John Smith (fill in your name)

(OR)

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If you have any problems, send email to larton@garlic.com

2343. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jsmollon@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34cab24a.31646944@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180714

On 25 Jan 1998 03:10:11 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
>down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
>hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
>radical leftist.
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>Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move,
>Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.
>
>Buchanan in 2000.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

I suppose this is your idea of "rec.radio.amature.misc" ?

I suppose you liked the economy during the Bush and
Ray-guns time... when everything was deregulated and
the folks... like George's son were able to float worthless
stocks and sell them to elderly people that wound up without
any savings. Now talk about morals....

I would look for a reply from you, but your type of closed
mind will only have one avenue to wander down.

Smoking gun... hah hah.. ha ha ha ha... and Nixon was
your kinda guy right?

2344. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc7zwg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125044900.XAA21199@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180715

>you are so right --- many CB'ers seem to try to seem who can 'outdumb'
>each other on the air.
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"The Power Struggle Continues....."
BBC - Vancouver, Wa

2345. Need info on an ADI AR-146

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ryan@REMOVEHATEBULKEMAIL.poboxes.com
Message-ID: <34caba48.964170823@news.willinet.net>
Source record: 180716

Hello. I recently bought an AR-146, and I''ve found out that on medium power, it puts out 10W. The problem is I'm getting 10W out on high power, too. The display goes up more on high power, showing its putting out more, but the meters prove its still putting out 10W. Does anyone know what the possible cause maybe? The power supply is a car battery, so it has plenty of power. Is the power output adjustable internally? Thanks a lot for any help.

Ryan

ryan at poboxes dot com

2346. Don't like the code? So godamn what!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Hurs@gun.com
Message-ID: <34cac624.11361511@news.airnet.net>
Source record: 180717

Eat shit and die code whiners.

2347. Don't like the code? So goddamn what!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Hurs@gun.com
Message-ID: <34cac685.11457755@news.airnet.net>
Source record: 180718

Eat shit and die code whiners.

2348. FS: Turntable or Swap for Tube Tester

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6aehc9$506$4@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180719

PHILIPS Model 477 Belt-Drive Manual Turntable. Nice addition to any stereo system.

Have 3 photos in .jpg format to email if you're interested for your review

Has unique feature of built-in constant monitoring tracking gram weight scale in the table for continual measurement of tone arm tracking weight to protect your diamond needle & cartridge.

Other Standard Features:
- Tone Arm tracking weight adjustment
- Anti-skate adjustment
- Cueing lever
- Tone arm height adjustment
- 33/45 RPM
- Straight tone arm design
- Nice Physical Shape with Smoked Lucite dust cover and silver base.

Unit needs a cartridge as one side is not playing and humming with present cartridge. A basic functional Shure cartridge can be had at Radio Shack for $20.

Also needs a new "U" clip put on the ground wire for the table as the present one is missing. A matter of simply pressing on a new one with a pliers and about 25 cents for the part.

$80 or best offer, plus shipping cost.
Will pack it free.

ALSO WILL CONSIDER SWAP FOR CIVILIAN OR MILITARY TUBE TESTER

International buyer welcome.

2349. Re: Don't like the code? So godamn what!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5amz@flash.net
Message-ID: <34cbced1.6067669@news.flash.net>
Source record: 180720

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 04:57:44 GMT, Hurs@gun.com (Borderline) wrote:

>Eat shit and die code whiners.

either way
personal preferance. It is NOT required anymore to get on the air.

if ya want it good
if ya don't good

2350. "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125054901.AAA29814@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180721

Jim Kehler wrote, in a past posting:
"...And remember... 5wpm is NO CODE...."
Now, I'm just starting to learn the code because I love SWLing/CBing, and want to get on HF. I want, like most of you, to talk in voice or CW and go around the world making friends and great DX "hits". So I WILL learn the damn code, because "dem's da rules" right now, and because I love radio.
But my problem with Jim's statement (and I'm sure he's a good fella) is that I have to learn in steps, and if I can get myself to 5wpm you can be damn sure that I WON'T think of it as NO CODE! I hope to hell that most hams do NOT think of 5wpm as no code. If that's how newcomers are looked upon, it's a shame.
It won't scare me away at all, I'm a big kid and can fight 'till I'm accepted, and I'm sure I won't have to fight at all, except to heighten my code/operating skills. But doesn't that statement make anyone else a little uneasy?
We ALL operate at different levels, particularly when learning, and educating one's self is even more touch and go than schooled discipline. So why is "first grade" seen as a joke? We ALL were in first grade once. Give the new guys and gals a break, please. On my way to 13wpm, and 25wpm, and even more, I will at some point only be as good as 5wpm. On my way to knowing all about RTTY and Packet and how to build my own SSB 20m. rig, I will at some point only know that capacitance is measured in farads and resistance in ohms. Who wants to laugh at a guy trying to learn?
I'll laugh all the way to Extra Class, I can assure you. :-)
My opinion only,
Mike in MO.

2351. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34cacf34.835890@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180722

jsmollon@earthlink.net (Jim Smollon) wrote:

>On 25 Jan 1998 03:10:11 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>
>>FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
>>down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
>>hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
>>radical leftist.
>>
>>Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move,
>>Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.
>>
>>Buchanan in 2000.
>>
>>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
>> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
>I suppose this is your idea of "rec.radio.amature.misc" ?
>
>I suppose you liked the economy during the Bush and
>Ray-guns time... when everything was deregulated and
>the folks... like George's son were able to float worthless
>stocks and sell them to elderly people that wound up without
>any savings. Now talk about morals....
>
>I would look for a reply from you, but your type of closed
>mind will only have one avenue to wander down.
>
>Smoking gun... hah hah.. ha ha ha ha... and Nixon was
>your kinda guy right?
>

Well we should reserve judgement until the truth comes out, BUT it
sure looks like we are in the last days of Bill Clinton.
How ironic that the woman this mess is centered on now lives in the
WATERGATE hotel.

We need to look very carefully at the words Clinton uses when he
denies the alleged affair and possible coverup. I believe he said
something to the effect that there was "no sexual relationship" and
that he "asked no one to lie".

He might not have believed that he was in a "relationship" ... maybe
he was just having sex or his sex needs satisfied? We know that to him
(via the Arkansas state trooper) that oral sex to him is not wrong.

Therefore to him a "sexual" relationship would not exist if they only did oral sex. He never said that he did NOT have any sexual acts or intimate contact with her.

On the possible lying part, he may not have asked her to lie. But we do know from the Clinton tapes with G. Flowers that he did tell Flowers that they could deny their affair as long as there was no evidence. So he may have simply told Monica that as long as there was no evidence or witnesses that she might consider not mentioning it. Remember he said that he "did not ask anyone to lie" ... he may just have mentioned it or talked about it in a round about way. Therefore his statement to the press would be technically correct. Plus he was not under oath when he made the statement to the press.

2352. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ctwla@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6aeji0$6sq@dfw-ixnews4.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180723

In <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com> cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:
>
>FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
>down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
>hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
>radical leftist.
>
>Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move,
>Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.

What would you say if this is a trap to catch Star making ileagal recordings?
In Maryland a recording is leagal only if both parties agree to tape a conversation, B I N G O !!!
By the way get your own piece of ass and if you can't don't be jelus if somene else is able to.
You must be a miserable undersexed jelus nervus repuplican, if you don't know how to get some ask those repuplican senetors cought a few years ago in an elevator sucking the office boys dry.
realy what happened to them, or was him?
C Thomas

>
>Buchanan in 2000.
>
>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2353. Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980125055300.AAA00502@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180724

Hey all-
I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes. They are doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful hints? I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the testing policy already!
Just maybe some association-games or memorization methods would help me out. I would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get that much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
Hope you can help,
Mike in MO.

2354. Re: Virtual CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6ael3p$4ll@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180725

W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> wrote:
> The ARS is essentially the only wireless service still using
> it and only a minority of hams ever use it anymore.

Minority, Cecil? Did you take a poll of *all* HF-licensed hams? That is the *only* way you could make such a statement.
Jeff KH2PZ

2355. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aelht$4ni@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180726

Yrac <yrac@aol.com> wrote:
>
>Trivia: On commercial circuits, the insult was delivered by sending a long,
>drawn out comma.
> DAH DAH DITTY DAH DAH
>
>I've heard that start a fight on 500 KHz many times!!!!!

Yup. I'd send that to them dang Russian ships when they transmit during
the Silent Periods.

Jeff KH2PZ (former CW operator at NMO)

2356. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd295d$5aefbc40$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180727

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6ae6l8$4d6$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <01bd290a$4e312fa0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >Some sure are ... Morseodist cultists like Roll, MD, Carroll, and others
> >insist "Morse forever" regardless of the costs ...
>
> More Stevenson lies.... Anyone is more than welcome to search through
> the DejaNews archives to find numerous examples of willingness to
> compromise -- even proposals of compromise -- on my part and the part
> of several others in the "pro-code" camp.

NO, Mike ... as has been pointed out MANY times here ... YOU are
the liar ... you occasionally make a disingenuous "offer of compromise"
(usually something like "fine, eliminate the code test, eliminate
the theory test, and just test on UPS/FedEx shipping skills" ...)

> >Many self-proclaimed advocates of "progress" have developed a degree of
> >hostility towards the those we demonize because we realize its the only
> >way we can convince others that we, ourselves, are not a bunch of nut-
> >cases.

Oh ... I see you're altering posts again to make "quotes" that people
(like me) didn't really say (someone *really* should break your fingers to
cure you of this disgusting, dishonest habit you've developed ...)

> >> You make it sound like code is an initiation into a secret faternity.
> >
> >That is EXACTLY what it is ... nothing more, nothing less ...
>
> Its only an "initiation" or "hazing" to those unable to pass it. Which,
> after 25 years as a coded tech, its pretty clear you're not able to.

I have every confidence that with a bit of practice I could handily pass
the 13 wpm code test ... the entire point is that I have FAR better things
to do with my valuable time than to WASTE it jumping through some ridiculous
hoop to satisfy the fraternity hazing instincts of some cretin(s) like you
Mike ...

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and

help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

2357. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aelos$50i@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180728
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C8DF7E.6B0E@sedona.intel.com>, W6RCA <W6RCA@IBM.NET> wrote:
> And my name isn't Carl.

Yes, but you're beginning to sound a *lot* like him, Cecil!

2358. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aemn1$5bm@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180729

CB BIMBO wrote:
>jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) writes:

>>True, but it does add credibility to one's comments. As an analogy,
>>you could
>>participate in say, the rec.aircraft.* groups without having
>>earned a pilot's
>>license, but would anyone believe the details of flight
>>situations you've
>>encountered?

>Poor analogy, Jeffy. I've earned the license.

Give us some callsigns of folks you worked on say, 80, 40, or 15m.
You might have a tech license, but your comments show you haven't
used it much, Drew.

2359. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: briordan@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34cadf78.1956892@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180730

On 25 Jan 1998 05:53:32 GMT, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768) wrote:

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>doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful hints?
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>policy already!
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>would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get that
>much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
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>Mike in MO.

I used the Gordon West tapes to learn the code, and the ARRL ones to get up to about 15wpm. The ARRL ones have a lot of really silly sentences with long words, that make it hard for you to guess what is coming next. They also have some almost random runs that were really hard for me to copy, but they helped out a lot.

If you use a computer program, don't just listen to the QSO's. I did this and got lazy, and would just listen for the words that were randomly chosen. Try something like the words spelled backwards option (on Super Morse, other programs probably have something similar.), or classified ads you've entered (if you can enter text to be sent). If you do this, listening to a QSO when you take the test will be much easier.

Good luck,
Brian
KJ7VN

2360. Updated webpage

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Scott Nelson <scotty@sd.cybernex.net>
Message-ID: <34CAE527.8A1@sd.cybernex.net>
Source record: 180731
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner

Stop by and let me know what you think.

Scott
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http://ww2.sd.cybernex.net/~scotty

2361. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stephen Eagle <LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6aeqe6$get@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180732

Also, stay away from a key. You CAN NOT send better than you copy. Learn to copy first. And, don't forget, sandbag Novice bands, that'll give you practive in protocol, listening through QSB,QRN, and QRM Plus you'll get to know some of the guys before you get on the air, and know where they hang out. Pick slow ones at first, then as you get better push yourself to copy faster fists. Also, monitor the W1AW code practive sessions, listed monthly in QST. Fridays are good once you get up to 18 wpm, because of the news, solar flux reports, and contest news. Mainly, relax and enjoy yourself, each time you pick up a new letter, word, or phrase you will smile with a genuine sense of accomplishment. The program Super morse is good. Personally, I found the tapes boring, and easily memorized. Also, you get used to hearing 1 fist and one set of conditions, which is not the real world. On your way to work, whistle or sing the code as you read roadsigns. Start thinking in code. You'll really be surprised how fast you pick it up. All it takes is. . . are you ready for this?. .. . . . practice. Nobody is born with the code in their head. All these thousands of operators have learned it one letter at a time. It may take a week or two, maybe longer for some, but when you get done, and you can copy 10 to 20 wpm, you will be in a group of people that didn't sit on their hands and whine "I can't", you'll be in the group that DID. Nothing ventured nothing gained. Anybody can whine and plead for mercy and sell themselves short. A few get up and get on the ball and try to learn something new. It forestalls senility to learn you know. And, after all, isn't amateur radio a hobby?? Shouldn't it be challenging?? Who, and what kind of character would such a person have, would want to join a hobby that offers NO challenges and no sense of accomplishment????
KB9IWS Stephen L. Eagle

Brian Riordan wrote:

> On 25 Jan 1998 05:53:32 GMT, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768) wrote:
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> randomly chosen. Try something like the words spelled backwards
> option (on Super Morse, other programs probably have something
> similar.), or classified ads you've entered (if you can enter text to
> be sent). If you do this, listening to a QSO when you take the test
> will be much easier.
>
> Good luck,
> Brian
> KJ7VN

2362. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cae434.353921111@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 18 Jan 1998 22:30:31 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:

>In article <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>>(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
>>unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
>>beep on CW than to speak on SSB.)
>
>You've got that a bit backwards, Brian. It took the invention of the
>triode tube (~1919) for CW (continuous wave transmission) to come
>about, yet SSB was being experimented with over the telephone lines as
>early as 1915.

De Forest patented the triode in 1906. But the first CW stations used alternators because early vacuum tubes weren't capable of the power levels needed. Armstrong invented the regenerative receiver in 1912, the same year Pickard invented the crystal detector. Prior to 1912, most receivers used coherers, bolometers, or electrolytic detectors, though Fleming's diode valve was available.

But I'm curious how SSB was generated without a CW LO and how it was translated back to baseband without a CW LO in 1915. That doesn't seem possible, the generator equations require a coherent source. And alternators and vacuum tubes were both available in 1915 to supply one.

Of course wireless voice transmission pre-dates use of Morse by wireless. Nathan B. Stubblefield was transmitting voice in 1873 and performed a demonstration before Congress in hopes of getting funding to deploy the system for the Navy. He was asking for $30,000, but he didn't get it, even though he successfully demonstrated wireless voice transmission between a shore station and a ship on the Potomac over a distance of 5 miles. Ironically, this was the same year Hertz was doing his experiments with UHF signals that got him official credit for the discovery of radio waves.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2363. Re: Need help with VX-1R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-25 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Jon, W4ABC" <w4abc@gte.net>
Message-ID: <6aeu0igul1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 180734
Cross-posted to:
aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Insofar as an upgrade to the CPU goes, I think you may have heard about the CPU clock speed being a bit on the fast side. I had a problem getting into my own UHF repeater with the VX-1R. The problem appeared to be the P.L. encoder in the radio. Well it turned out to be a bit of both. I ended up removing and replacing the tone reed in the repeater as it was hearing a little low, and the VX-1R was encoding a little high. I talked with one of the engineers at Yaesu, and he pulled a couple off the ass'y line and told me they had the same problem. Solution to my problem was to send rig back and get adjustment.

Jon Pearl W4ABC

jim wrote in message <34C782E3.67C2@eaglecomputing.net>...
>Go to
>http://www.icongrp.com/~sllewd/
>VX-1R Mod Page (it'll show how to un-mod the radio too!)
>
>Michael J. Smith wrote:
>>
>> Can anyone help me out? I just got a used VX-1R and I am having a few
>> problems. First the Priority Channel does not seem to work right. If I
am
>> in the Ham VHF Band and it is receiving it will not go and check the
>> priority channel (in the ham uhf band). Do I have something set wrong?
I
>> also wanted to know If I could do a cross-band split. I just found out
that
>> there are differnt versions. I heard someone sent theirs to upgrade the
>> CPU. Can this be done? Is here any reason to do so? Will the adams
>> software do anything for me? This unit must have been moded. It RX's
the
>> cell band and TX's all over the place. I think it is the A102 model.
Can
>> the mods be done on the newer versions?
>>
>> Can anyone help???
>>
>> Mike
>> Please e-mail at:
>> mjs@now-online.com

2364. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Casey Ray <clray@bcf.usc.edu>
Message-ID: <34CD0474.AC2627D@bcf.usc.edu>
Source record: 180485

CBRambo wrote:

> FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY
> bring
> down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of
> having
> hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging,
> dope-smoking,
> radical leftist.
>
> Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress.
> Your move,
> Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this
> one.
>
> Buchanan in 2000.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

In your own words:

This spammage relates to amateur radio because...
"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2365. Re: BOTTOM LINE on CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6aivn7$qgj@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180486
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34C86375.23CA@wf.quik.com>,
Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote:

>So grit your teeth, jump in and learn the code.
>You will feel beter when it's over.

Sounds like hitting yourself in the head with a hammer cuz it feels so
good when you stop. :-)

jim

2366. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: nunkhead@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126224800.RAA29378@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180487

> BGCOLOR="#ffffff">Subject: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat,
>liar, coward, and adulterer.
>From: cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo)
>Date: Sat, Jan 24, 1998 22:10 EST
>Message-id: <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com>
>

>
>Resign or face impeachment at the hands of an impatient Congress. Your move,
>Slickster...but rest assured, you're NOT going to wiggle out of this one.
>
>Buchanan in 2000.
IF BUCHANAN IS RUNNING THINGS HELL LETS JUST BRING BACK THE NAZI's AND HAVE
THEM RUN THE USA

What is that line "First they came for the Jews and I did nothing then for the
fags and I did nothing then the blacks and I did nothing but when they came for
me it was too late!!!!! With Buchanan and his neo NAZI ways you'll be looking
for help some after all the fags, Jews, and blacks are burned!

The Jews in this country will never let him WIN the seat! Think about it!
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>

2367. Re: Want SoundBlaster book

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Whacker <whacker@webtowns.com>
Message-ID: <34CD137C.7D7B@webtowns.com>
Source record: 180488

I think there was a typo. The correct URL is:

http://www.fys.ruu.nl/~bergmann/soundblaster.html

Don Ward wrote:
>
> Ken,
> Further to my reply to your request. The site I gave you has such a
> wealth of information that I may be able to narrow your search down a
> bit.
>
> Two useful documents are:
>
> "http://www.itsnet.com/home/ldragon/Specs/adlib.html"
>
> This is an excellent source of info on using the FM music facility to
> generate sounds.
>
> The other is:
>
> "http://www.fys.ruu.nl/~bergmann/soundblaster.txt"
>
> This gives the above plus sampling and replaying audio using QBasic.
>
> I have lots more links if you need other data.
>
> 73.
> --
> Don G0MDO/AA1FU

2368. PLEASEHAVETHELIBERTYNETONEVERYNIGHT!IHAVEBETTERSTUFFTODOONSATNIGHT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: nunkhead@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126225200.RAA01529@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180489

Im usally busy on sat night and have someting better to do! How bout a ReBroadcast on Sunday night? Just a thought

2369. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: joseph@sfo.com
Message-ID: <6aj3hj$2d1@ramona.sfo.com>
Source record: 180490

Gary Hoffman <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu> wrote:

>What is the derivation of the use of "lid" as a derogatory term?
>I know what it means, I just want to know how/when it got started.

>Thanks.

>- Gary
>- KB0QGE
>- gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

The best explaination I have heard was that if "lid" was not sent
properly in landline (American Morse) code, it sounded like "dd":

daaah, dit dit, dah dit dit. (daaah = long dash)

It was a basic test of a proficient operator.
73
JD
ac6pv@sfo.com

2370. FS: Kenwood 2 meter all-mode TM255A, $600.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: joseph@sfo.com
Message-ID: <6aj3lm$2d1@ramona.sfo.com>
Source record: 180491

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For Sale: Kenwood TM255A 2-meter all-mode tranceiver. $600.
Like new with original carton, manual, bracket, microphone.
Andy, NN6D (415) 656-3515 or e-mail to ac6pv@sfo.com
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2371. WTB: 70cm Solid State Amplifier

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: joseph@sfo.com
Message-ID: <6aj474$2qr@ramona.sfo.com>
Source record: 180492

Wanted to buy: Late model solid state 440 MHz amplifier.
5 or 10 watts input, 100 to 175 watts out. Thanks.
Andy, NN6D (415) 656-3515 or e-mail to ac6pv@sfo.com

2372. WTB: 70cm Solid State Amplifie

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: joseph@sfo.com
Message-ID: <6aj4at$2qr@ramona.sfo.com>
Source record: 180493

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5 or 10 watts input, 100 to 175 watts out. Thanks.
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2373. Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com>
Message-ID: <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>
Source record: 180494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I think the real issue between all the discussion in amateur radio today is whether or not the old guard is ready to relinquish control to the new, in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless Technicians. And there is no question that they are not ready to do such a thing. The recent ruling to not change the licensing is one example. The magazines are another, the biggest one just continuing with the status quo, not wishing to change a thing, as long as it can continue to make a fortune selling its publications. I think the time will come when the majority will break off on its own and leave the old guard to die, which many have already. So welcome the new, and the change!

Cheers!

Joe

2374. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cd167c.1750307@news.total.net>
Source record: 180495
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 10:05:26 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

>DoD COMM wrote:
>
>> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!
>
>No matter where you stand on the Code/No-code for hf band operations there is
>no reason to make statements like that. There are many fine no-code techs
>doing a FB job in public service operations.

and mainly no coders in public service...

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2375. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cd1716.1904241@news.total.net>
Source record: 180496
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On 26 Jan 1998 10:58:53 GMT, yodoc@aol.com (Yo Doc) wrote:

>In article <6ah5sb$2gh@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, Tad Danley
><tad.danley@worldnet.att.net> writes:
>
>>If learning the code is good and necessary, increasing your cw
>proficiency is
>>better and more important. Why not add the following
>requirements:
>
>1.
>>Reduce the license class to 5 years
>2. All hams have 5 years (initial license
>>term) to make it to Extra or
>you are out of the hobby
>3. Re-test everyone
>>every 5 years after that to maintain the calibre of
>licensees
>
>Tad:
>
>Hey, I'm all for it! The no-coders will surely object, however!

> This
>kind of thing could empty out the HF phone bands in a big
>hurry!

yeah and amateur radio will be banned or else will be taken by
commercial people because few people use it.

good luck !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)

http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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2376. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6aj5s3$50e$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180497
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

In article <34ccad95.0@news.valinet.com>, <fpmjr@valinet.com> wrote:

> kh>Hi Fran,
> kh>Exactly what definition do you use to say "amateur radio is going
> kh>away"?
>
> If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams" world
>wide..

There are 33% MORE than that in the US alone.

>there _should_ be 5 x that amount.

Why should there be? By what statistical calculation do you infer that
2.5 million amateurs is the number that "should" exist?

>Having to learn an outdated
>protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is certainly
>contributing to the problem. What's the point of having to learn morse?

There are numerous legitimate reasons for learning morse code, and retaining
it as a test element. Your question would require reiteration of the entire
rec.radio.amateur.policy newsgroup. I recommend you read that newsgroup, and
spend some time on the DejaNews archives to properly educate yourself with
both sides of the argument, rather than just re-hash old topics.

> Do you ever become frustrated because of the
> ridiculously high prices on most amateur radios?

Nope. I own every piece of equipment I have wanted to purchase. What I
don't purchase, I build. I've never built an HF radio, its easier to buy
one.

>It would seem to me, if there were _more_ demand the prices would perhaps
>"moderate"?

Not necessarily. Price is determined by two factors: supply, and demand.
Demand is low, supply is low, thus prices are high. Prices could drop if
supply increased. Increasing demand without increasing supply would
merely cause prices to skyrocket.

> True, but show me some figures that indicate how many are still active.

An impossible statistic to show. The next ten years will show more as
people do not renew their licenses and some of the over-inflated
numbers we have now in terms of licensees starts to decrease.

> I don't think so..it's time for some progressive thinking in the "ham
>ranks"..dump the "old farts"..and narrow minded "bureaucrats"!

At 33, I wouldn't consider myself either an old fart nor a bureaucrat.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2377. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126234601.SAA09001@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180498

In article <34ccad95.0@news.valinet.com>, fpmjr@valinet.com writes:

>
If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams"
>world
wide..there _should_ be 5 x that amount. Having to learn an
>outdated
protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is
>certainly
contributing to the problem. What's the point of having to learn
>morse?

Do you ever become frustrated because of the
ridiculously high
>prices on most amateur radios? It would seem to me, if
there were _more_
>demand the prices would perhaps "moderate"?

There are few compelling reasons to require knowledge of Morse Code for the average VHFer or higher. CW is the mode of choice for most of the more exotic modes such as EME, Aurora, meteor trail, etc propogation, but no, I see no reason why a ham needs to know the code to operate above HF. Under 30, and especially under 28 MHz, the situation changes. There is only just so much spectrum available. 30 CW QSOs can co-exist within the bandwidth of a single SSB QSO. Power requirements are more modest, thereby further reducing QRM. The average Tech can build a transmitter for HF CW for just a few bucks. Keeping the CW bands for CW (and other data modes) allows the most users on the bands withthe least power and the smallest minimum expenditure of money.

As for your second remark, if store-bought rigs are too expensive, do what I did for my first rig... build a transmitter and modify a cheap SW Receiver, put up a wire antenna and get on the air. Since I already had the receiver, the wire was free, and the coax, I figure I was on the air on 40 and 15 meters for a total cost of well under $50.

True, I use an all-band all-mode solid state wonderbox now, but really, I think it was just as much fun with two transistors and a hacksaw-blade key.

hmm... I still got the key...

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2378. What is the best QSL logging program? (win95?)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Art Lowery <aclowery@home.com>
Message-ID: <34CD1F36.E7FC5086@home.com>
Source record: 180499

Does any one have a recommendation of the best radio logger?

I have downloaded a ton of demo's and over whelmed.

Please cc to my email, aclowery@home.com

thanks,

Art

2379. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CD3ED8.55FE@geocities.com>
Source record: 180500
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

M Johnson wrote:
>
> fpmjr@valinet.com wrote:
>
> > If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams" world
> > wide..there _should_ be 5 x that amount.
>
> So where do you get your figures that there are 2.5 million people in the
> world that want to become ham? And just why should there be that many?
> Don't know about you but I sure have never had a problem with finding someone
> to work unless the band was dead.
>
> > Having to learn an outdated
> > protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is certainly
> >
> > contributing to the problem.
>
> Does not seem to be a problem for the thousands of new no-code techs that get
> licensed each year. If they are happy using vhf and find their "nitch" there
> then FB. Otherwise they can study a bit and upgrade. Of the several no-code
> hams I know on more than just a *ham radio* basis, not one of them has
> anything against having to learn the code if they want to upgrade.

I would that you are either lying or have a very limited aquatanship

>
> > What's the point of having to learn morse?
>
> For one reason it gives us a national resource of communicators for the time
> when other modes may fail.

Digital pentrates better, and even Morse can be better sent by machine
than by people, thus even the uses for morse dont seem to justify
learning it by hand.
>
> For another it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks. Before
> we lower the requirements let's get some teeth into the enforcement of the
> rules to get the garbage ops off the ham bands.
>

Gee if Morse Filters People then why are there any "garbage operators

> > Do you ever become frustrated because of the
> > ridiculously high prices on most amateur radios? It would seem to me, if
> > there were _more_ demand the prices would perhaps "moderate"?

>
> If you look at the price of manufactured rigs to the value of the dollar you
> would probably find that radios are cheaper now then they were 20 years ago.
> And heck, you can get on the air on CW for a couple of hundred dollars even if
> you buy a new manufactured rig.
>
> If you go to a swapfest you will find plenty of radios that will get you up
> and working for very reasonable prices. And you can build a radio that will
> let you talk anywhere in the world for a hundred dollars or less.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

2380. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34CD2394.3BFA@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180501
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Gary Coffman wrote: >
RC> > OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses
Mouth.
> >Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
> >all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
> >tapeworm can do it.
>
> I don't know that tapeworms could do it, but it is Pavlovian conditioning.
> If you've ever attempted to condition a flatworm or dog, however, you
> know it isn't easy. And the higher the intelligence of the subject, the
> harder it becomes. Conditioning requires *unthinking* response.

You're saying the dumber the dog, the easier he is to train. Any kid
who grew up around animals knows better than that.

I see that you have no problems at all in fitting the "facts" to the
No-Code Agenda, Gary. Too bad that you, as I, got stuck in the Incentive
Licensing 'debacle' of 1968, lost lots of frequency privileges, and were
'forced' to upgrade-or remain forever bitter over it. It's very
apparent that you never got over it, like far too many others.
Yes, it was a poorly designed and implemented plan for improvement of
the ARS, surely there could have been a better path that would not have
left so many with so much bitterness.....but for some people it did work
to prompt them to learn and improve both their knowledge and their
license class, their amateur privileges, as well as job advancement.

> > So what say let's get off this no-code nonsense and get on with
> >spending our time advancing ham radio as *Real Hams* and stop this
> >phoney bullshit of griping about how hard it is. You have every one been
> >shown up as phonies by one of your Priests of High Technology himself!
> > Surely you all don't want to be shown up as being dumber than the
> >average Pavlovian dog's tapeworm, now do you?
>
> Actually, it would be the converse. Those smarter than Pavlov's dog's
> tapeworm might have real difficulty. Of course those of you who simply
> can't think at all have a real advantage.

Hmmmmmm.....Cecil, you got that? You said you had no trouble at all
learning CW as a kid, even did it well before you ever heard of ham
radio. Looks like Gary thinks you're pretty stupid!
Give back your MENSA card NOW! We promise not to tell INTEL.

Gary, you obviously have a non-existant CW vocabulary, only 26
letters, 10 numerals and a few prosigns. If it were otherwise, you'd
know better.

Dick W0EX

2381. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: John Miles <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Message-ID: <34CCFF74.5989@pop.removethistomailme.net>
Source record: 180502
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Dean W5GXL wrote:
>
> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 12:41:04 -0600, John Miles
> <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net> wrote:
>
> You don't get it do you....
> It is not the fact that your Cellular Phone will down an airplane...
> The main reason is that when you try to use that phone up in the air
> it will register into towers for 500 miles... How many multiple calls
> are you willing to pay for?
> You could rack up a hell of a roaming bill....
>
> Just pick up the phone that most large airlines have for your use in
> the cabin... Put in your credit card and dial...

I wrote nothing of the sort. Please check your attributions.

-- jm

Note: My E-mail address has been altered to avoid spam

2382. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CD54D5.BCD@nb.net>
Source record: 180503
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
> http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
> http://junior.apk.net/~jbarta/idiot/idiot.html
>
> Instead of wasting your time to protect CW, why not enjoy by visiting
> this web page ??
>
.....Instead of wasting time visiting idiot web pages...use CW!
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2383. Re: I am CB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CD56B0.539E@nb.net>
Source record: 180504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> I am CB (C utie B oy). I am a nice CB.
>
> I am not CW (Cybe** Wo***). If you like CW, please leave.
>

...We don't like CB - please leave!

CW FOREVER!

2384. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CD5C15.3733@nb.net>
Source record: 180505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote:

> > Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
> >off by the code requirements.

So??? Just because someone "wants" to become a
Amateur Radio operator, doesn't mean we have to
bend over backwards and and reduce the quality
of new, incoming hams because some can't meet
the requitements. The Amateur Radio hobby has
drastically taken a turn for the worse when the
FCC stopped giving exams and added the No-Code
Tech license. I would have loved to have been a
F-15 pilot, but I didn't meet the "requirements".
We shouldn't make the requirements any easier to
become a Amateur Radio operator just because a
bunch of people complain about the code! If they
don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
won't become Amateur Radio operators!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2385. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ajdnt$5bo$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>, Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com> wrote:

>in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless Techs.

There is nothing "huge" nor "ever growing" about the codeless tech
license. Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
active licensees.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2386. WTB: Ohio Scientific Challenger computer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Alan Diaz <alan.diaz@snet.net>
Message-ID: <34CD34C9.17E9@snet.net>
Source record: 180507
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

I'd like to add one of Ohio Scientific's Challenger computers to my
pile of computer STUFF. If you have a version of the Challenger
computer from the mid to late 70's, and you're interested in selling it,
please reply directly via "mail".

Alan

2387. Re: What is the best QSL logging program? (win95?)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dennis Jacobson <n6ng@sj.bigger.net>
Message-ID: <34CD4265.1DDE@sj.bigger.net>
Source record: 180508

I personally use XMLOG.. Guess it is not as fancy as the high price
spreads but for FREE it does everything I want and more. Depends on
what you are looking for in a logging program but I would suggest you
take a look at this one. Available from
http://www.xmlog.com/
It runs under win95 just fine. I've been using it for almost 2 years now
and never a problem.

Good luck in your quest.
--

73... Dennis N6NG INTERNET: n6ng@sj.bigger.net
Retired: Just another road kill on the Information Highway.

2388. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom Gasta <tomgasta@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6ajial$9gd@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Actually, A cell phone doesn't work at any serious altitude. I operate aircraft at 35-45000 feet all the time. At about 3000, depending on location, a cellphone goes inop as it begins receiving to many data channels from multiple systems at the same time, and eventually the receiver just plain gets saturated with signals and data can't be decoded, the phone registers "No Service".
As for Computers, it is very possible that the "clock" in many computers (older ones) generate harmonics that fall in the communications and/or navigation spectrum of aircraft. Like a 12Mhz 286 puts out a lot of crap at 108.0, 120.0, and 132.0 MHZ. We have actually seen this happen at our offices that used to use 132.0 as our company unicom freq. The 12 Mhz old computers made the receiver useless as the dispatchers kept squelching the radio tighter and tighter to stop the "noise" I don't know all the possible harmonics problems associated with various computer clock speeds but they are the worst problem causers.

As for VHF and UHF ham radio and business radio,s. The single biggest reason for FAA denying their use is that in most cases, those in charge of the flight have no idea what is possibly harmful or not. They are not electronics experts, most don't even know why it is illegal. I have never heard of any report that these radios have ever caused a problem. I suppose it is possible that the oscillator or multiplier section may make a hit in the VHF Aviation Nav/Comm area, but I have never heard of it. I have heard CBers and Low Band pagers on occasion coming over the Comm channels, again crappy harmonic filtering. As for the Av radios being built with less than the latest technology, no receiver of any possible use today in aviation can "filter" harmfull interference when the interference is RF on the receivers receive frequency. Spread Spectrum, CDMA digital, maybe. But we are still waiting for NBFM.

I personally could not "Let someone" use a ham rig, but I wouldn't worry about it either. Used to be the Captain had the authority to "Allow" such use, but the Cellular boys and the FCC put an end to that, along with the advent of the notebook computer.

Tom

Dean W5GXL wrote:
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> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 12:41:04 -0600, John Miles
> <jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net> wrote:
>
> You don't get it do you....
> It is not the fact that your Cellular Phone will down an airplane...

> The main reason is that when you try to use that phone up in the air
> it will register into towers for 500 miles... How many multiple calls
> are you willing to pay for?
> You could rack up a hell of a roaming bill....
>
> Just pick up the phone that most large airlines have for your use in
> the cabin... Put in your credit card and dial...
>
> >Gary Coffman wrote:
> >>
> >> Then you'd better stay on the ground, because they all can. Usually,
> >> the consequences aren't fatal, but they can be and they have been.
> >> Air carriers take a number of steps to reduce that risk. One is the
> >> use of separate navigation systems which can be cross-checked
> >> against each other. Another is to order passengers to refrain from
> >> using consumer devices which haven't been certified as compatible
> >> with flight avionics.
> >>
> >>
> >Another would be to drag the avionics industry kicking and screaming
> >into the modern digital age, forcing them to use modern
> >interference-resistant modulation techniques and protocols in
> >safety-critical applications.
> >
> >Really, now. If society can equip every car on the road with an airbag
> >at an amortized cost of only thirty million dollars or so per life
> >saved, I think it's time the air transportation industry took its lumps,
> >too, don't you, Gary? That is, if this is a real problem we're talking
> >about, and not just so much superstition?
> >
> >-- jm
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> >--
> >Note: My E-mail address has been altered to avoid spam
> >--
>
> Bye
> Dean L. W5GXL

2389. Re: ABC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kilroy <nowhere@Idon'twantspam.com>
Message-ID: <6aji7d$k2l$1@defiant.fuse.net>
Source record: 180510

Chowie wrote:
>
> I need help... and I think this is the right place.
>
> Ham radio operator uses abbrevations like A - Alpha, B- Bravo , C-
> Charlie etc until Z.
> I would be very grateful if anyone out there could kindly furnish me with
> the whole list, from A to Z.
>
> Thanks a million.
>
> Cheers!
> Thomas Chow from Malaysia
A alpha G golf
B bravo H hotel
C charlie I india
D delta J juliette
E echo K kilo
F foxtrot L lima

M mike S sierra
N november T tango
O oscar U uniform
P papa V victor
Q quebec W whiskey
R romeo X x-ray

Y yankee
Z zulu

2390. Re: Yaesu FT-76 mod wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6ajjsu$fnn@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 180511

GPS <radio@inet.zitech.dk> wrote:

>Need a mod of the FT-76?

Cut D16 on the main board.

2391. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Worshum <wb6k@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CD54F0.52C3@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180512
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Bill Sohl wrote:
>
> Mike Worshum <wb6k@earthlink.net> wrote:
> >I believe ....who started when...who started how....or who started why
> >in this fine hobby is illrevalent to any reasons why we must learn CW to
> >upgrade for priveliges on the low bands. It's the rules we must adhere
> >to & respect.
>
> And no one is saying anything different are they?
>
> >Sure time moves on...we don't drive horse drawn buggies,
> >but they do exist.
>
> Which is why a driver's license doesn't require horsemanship.
> That IS the goal of nocode test advocates. Elimination of
> te CW test by LEGAL changes to the regulations.
>
> > A law student must study solved cases, a history
> >student must study the alimo, we must take a driving test for a drivers
> >liscense. Ham radio is a privelege not a right that must be earned not
> >easily obtained.
>
> Your point? Not one of the examples you give is in any
> way synonomous with code tests.
>
> In fact, ham radio is a privelege that is obtained by
> passing a government test...and government tests should
> be relavent as opposed to affirmative action testing
> to preserve CW usage.
>
> Bill Sohl K2UNK
> ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
> No Code International, member - 1007
> Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

Bill, I'm not necessaraly defending the code form of immissions.
Personally I don't even use it anymore except to keep my "ear" in it. In
fact I was enjoying it until I had to get my speed up to pass my 20wpm.
I can't write that fast & it became frustrating to read my copy. I did
it
& somewhat proud & thankfull that I did. I guess what I'm saying is,
right now it's the law of the land & he or she who wants the privileges
must go through it. I don't have an answer to the restructuring needs,

but I can relate to the frustration of many new hams. I do encorage
those
who want to upgrade @ our VE sessions not to give up & help them with
study tactics. Good luck with youre endevoure.
Mike W. WB6K

2392. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Worshum <wb6k@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CD5860.9A5@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180513

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Gdfthr768 wrote:
>
> > Jim Kehler wrote, in a past posting:
> > "...And remember... 5wpm is NO CODE...."
> > Now, I'm just starting to learn the code because I love SWLing/CBing, and
> > want
> > to get on HF. I want, like most of you, to talk in voice or CW and go around
> >
> > the world making friends and great DX "hits". So I WILL learn the damn code,
> >
> > because "dem's da rules" right now, and because I love radio.
> > But my problem with Jim's statement (and I'm sure he's a good fella) is that
> > I
> > have to learn in steps, and if I can get myself to 5wpm you can be damn sure
> >
> > that I WON'T think of it as NO CODE! I hope to hell that most hams do NOT
> > think
> > of 5wpm as no code. If that's how newcomers are looked upon, it's a shame.
>
> Hi Mike,No that is not how most hams, coded or not, look at newcomers.
> Things tend to get a little heated up around here and sometimes we tend to say
> things that are focused on and individual that come out seemingly focused
> others.
>
> I have been licensed for over 36 years and 5wpm is most definitely code. It
> is a step the majority of hams with general class or higher licenses started
> with if they got their license after the mid-fifties. It gets you on the air
> on HF and lets you work the world. More important it gets you on the air and
> lets you get hands on practice building up your speed while you talk to
> others. If you will tune around the novice and tech-plus cw bands you will
> find a lot of general class and higher hams in QSO at slow speed. Personally
> I like to go to those areas for QSOs because most of the contacts are just
> plain fun.
>
> Welcome aboard and if you want to ever schedule a CW contact just let me know.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

Don't give up ....keep practicing....get on the novice bands & the upper
class operators will work with you...

73..Mike W. WB6K

2393. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CD6122.3F8B@asu.edu>
Source record: 180514

Gary Coffman wrote:

> >
> >1) Federal law does preempt state law in cases where the Constitution
> >specifically addresses the issue. The Constitution does not address the
> >issue of radio or telephony. Reference the Tenth Amendment.
>
> The Supremes have interpreted the Constitution differently, witness
> federal preemption in the case of radio and telephony, examples include
> PRB-1, and most recently carried so far as to even preempt private
> covenants with regard to small satellite dishes and broadcast TV outdoor
> antennas.

Ah, but the issue here is zoning, not the reception, transmission, or other *operation* of a radio station. If you read PRB-1, the actual opinion, you will note the reference to free speech guarantees as applied to the display of flags, American or other. Interesting side effect here may be the preemption of local ordinances against religious and political signage on private land. How many of us have an obnoxious neighbor with John 3:16 signs in 5-foot-tall red lettering on their lawns?
>

> >3) Kenneth Starr may be operating under Federal law, but he is still
> >compelled to obey state law, and if he asked Tripp to make these
> >recordings, he may have violated the law of MD or VA, or wherever the
> >hell it was.
>
> Unfortunately for your argument, federal law is held superior to state
> and local law. It is subservient only to treaties and the Constitution

the Constitution which devolves all authority not specifically retained by the Feds to the state or municipal level. So, though Starr is employed by the Federal government in this matter, he is still bound, as a citizen and an officer of the court to obey all laws, unless and until the Supremes strike it down. They have consistently deferred to the states in one-party/two-party cases; even under Rehnquist, they have upheld the stricter of the two where there has been conflict. There is no Federal standard per se on this issue. DC has its own standard, set by the Mayor and District Council. Intra-governmental is a matter of regulation, not law.

--Will White

2394. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ajnaa$5mq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180515

In article <19980127023600.VAA08413@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>Depends on what you post. Most states have enacted "Right to Privacy" statutes
>in recent years which severely restrict the types of information that can be
>made public about an individual.

Yawn.

When you provide personal information into a public database (such as the
FCC database, 411 internet address database, etc.) you loose all expectations
of privacy. So the courts have ruled.

But, you get 1 point for a nice try in attempting to intimidate the
original poster.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2395. Re: Restoreation of gel cells

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: davem@cs.ubc.ca
Message-ID: <6ajnog$1u5@redgreen.cs.ubc.ca>
Source record: 180516

keith@NOSPAMfc.hp.com (John Keith) writes:
>Is there any process that can be applied to gell cells to restore their
>ability to be charged and deliver that charge? I have some Gates 2V cells that
>originally showed almost no voltage after stitting on a shelf for a long
>period and while under a voltage charge they will show something around 3.5V
>but then after removing the charging voltage the voltage drops to maybe around
>0.8V. Are these cells destined for the recycle bin?

Try leaving them connected to a constant voltage source of 2.30 V for several
days.

A good but discharged cell will immediately draw plenty of current
(about half their rated capacity in Ah) and then taper off as it reaches
full charge. The current will be almost nothing after 4 hours or so.

A cell that has been allowed to go dead in storage may have electrolyte
that has turned to water and sulfated plates. If you connect it to 2.3 V,
it will draw almost no current at first. But as you leave it, a little
bit of the sulfate will leave the plates and go back into the electrolyte.
This raises the conductivity of the electrolyte, and the charge current
increases - so the process continues at a higher rate.

I recently did this with a 12 V 7 Ah cell that was about 1.3 V open
circuit. At first, charging current was miniscule. After 3 hours,
it was up to 50 mA. After 13 hours, it had risen to 112 mA. 24
hours after starting, it was up to 360 mA. Charging current peaked at
about 430 mA about 30 hours after starting. Then it went back down
to 52 mA about 40 hours after starting.

At that point, I connected the battery to a load that draws about 2 A,
and got 2+ hours of output from the battery. This is most of what you'd
get from a new battery of this rating under that load.

Then I connected the battery to the power supply again. This time it
drew 2.8 A charging current (the maximum recommended) immediately, and
was almost fully recharged after 4 hours. So the battery seems to have
almost fully recovered, with some loss of capacity.

Dave

2396. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "John A. Figliozzi" <jfiglio1@nycap.rr.com>
Message-ID: <34CD6196.4C85@nycap.rr.com>
Source record: 180517
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I'm hearing a few CW stations on 160m tonight (Monday). Forgive my ignorance, but is this a ham band for CW or are these utilities or something else I'm hearing?

Thanks and 73,
John

2397. updates and link suggestions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Erv <kb8tnq@voyager.net>
Message-ID: <34CD572D.89637BE8@voyager.net>
Source record: 180518

Hi all:

Please forgive the bandwidth, but I would like your help. Our Site is now several months old, but we're looking for new and exciting links to add to our "Links Page". The KB8TNQ Ultimate Amateur Radio Page is becoming one of the hottest Sites on the Web and we want your ideas.

Check into the Site, a link is provided below, and leave us a note with your comments and suggestions...it's that simple. The bottom line is that we want our Site to be useful to Amateurs and those interested in the Hobby.

Thanks for your time.

7-3,
Erv KB8TNQ

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Please visit our Web Site at:
http://www.qsl.net/kb8tnq

"Dare to Dream, It Sets Your
Spirit Free!"

2398. Re: I would be in favour of no code hf 'if'...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ericp@user2.teleport.com
Message-ID: <6ajra0$q4b$1@user2.teleport.com>
Source record: 180519
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Cc:

In article <34be6ef4.49367533@news.mindspring.com>,
>>Could be true but not between 7100-7150. When I was in high school, there
>>--
>>73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)
>Could be true but Jan is the worst month for PM propagation
>
>Helmsman@Mindspring.com
>42.29N 83.08W
>

Well, there might not be a whole lot of people using CW, but it sure
sounds like a lot to me.
WHen I tune in on 20 meters, it sounds like everyone is using CW.
The signals are so close together that I can not single anyone of them
out.
The truth of the matter is that no-code HF has its advantages and its
disadvantages.
On one hand, people would not have to work as hard to earn HF
capabilities.
However, the whole band would be overloaded with all the voice signals
since the voice signals take up more band width than any CW signal.
If you're going to have no code HF, it should be on restricted
frequencies.
For example, a no code technician could have 10-meter repeater access on
29.5 and up.
Anywhere above that should require some code from my point of view. That
is just my personal view point.

Eric Patterson, kb7vfr.
--
Eric Patterson, on the road of education
Life is not foolproof but communication makes things easier.

2399. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dana Myers K6JQ <Dana@Source.Net>
Message-ID: <885879368.735248386@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180520

In article <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>
> FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one" that will FINALLY bring
> down the worst president this country has ever had the misfortune of having
> hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly, draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
> radical leftist.

I think you left out "no-code", otherwise I've no idea why you're
posting it to an amateur radio newsgroup.

Dana K6JQ
Dana@Source.Net

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2400. Re: Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: richw@webcom.com
Message-ID: <19980127061742.02606.richw@webcom.com>
Source record: 180521

donrm@sr.hp.com (Don Montgomery) wrote:

[CVC 5005] (b) The department shall not issue more than
one set of special plates for any licensed amateur radio
station.

Subsection (b) evidently means that I get only one set
of call letter plates per lifetime . . . . I guess I
don't get a new set of plates until the old ones are
lost, stolen, or mutilated past recognition.

Or until/unless you change your call.

Actually, my impression of CVC 5005 is that if an amateur changes his call, he is required (or, at least, expected) to surrender any plates with his old call. Has anyone out there from California actually done this? Did the DMV let you keep the old plates (minus the registration sticker, of course) as souvenirs? What about hams in other states?

Rich Wales richw@webcom.com http://www.webcom.com/richw/
NR6BW, ex-VE3HKZ, ex-WA6SGA

2401. Re: Utility monitoring etc: What center frequency?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: mzenier@netcom.com
Message-ID: <mzenierEnGE65.v7@netcom.com>
Source record: 180522
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <34cf465f.578415@news.euro.net>, Kees <kvenl@dds.nl> wrote:
>1. Still wondering what center frequency is most common.
>Mark signals are (always?) on 1275. The space frequency depends on the
>shift of a signal.
>So how can you say that there is ONE center frequency?

On an FSK signal, the relationship between the RF frequency and what your decoder needs is arbitrary. The audio signal frequency comes from the difference in frequency between your BFO and the signal in the IF amplifier in the detector. Out there in the rest of the world, there's just a signal at one RF frequency or the other (and bunch of FM sideband stuff which is irrelevant for this discussion). And the center frequency would be the average.

>2. Also: isn't the mark frequency the actual frequency of a data
>station?

Not sure, there's probably an ITU or FCC definition for this. Looking at the FCC regs (Part 2.202, they define deviation as half the difference between the maximum and minimum frequencies, so it looks like center frequency, not mark frequency.

Also, you need to know how your receiver reads out the frequency. On my old Kenwood R-1000, it reads the center of the IF, and there a 1.4 - 1.6 kHz offset to the zero beat frequency when running in SSB mode. With receivers that have a higher resolution (than 1 kHz), you can have all sorts of choices, like displaying the BFO zero beat frequency (useful for SSB voice), or adding in a fixed offset to the BFO (useful for CW). And then you can screw yourself up by switching the BFO frequency to the other sideband to invert the signal instead of using an inversion in the decoder.

>3. I wonder when you use a decoder with a fixed center frequency along
>with a radio control program, you can tune the station 'in the middle'
>of the center frequency, just by tuning in via the database??

Garbage In, Garbage out. Depends on your database. Back when I was doing a lot of this, there were a lot of published loggings that were just the receiver readout, not taking all the frequency offsets into account. Spurious precision, but they got some number good to 100 Hz even if they were off by about 1 kHz.

Mark Zenier mzenier@eskimo.com mzenier@netcom.com

2402. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CE8920.523F@asu.edu>
Source record: 180523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary Coffman wrote:

> All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
> 160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and data
> segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
> on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.

I saw some video on PBS recently (last month), can't say what show, of Russian military training communications ppl in Morse, using straight keys! What band *doesn't* permit CW operation?

Will White

2403. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126093101.EAA10972@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180535

>Tune in on 10 mtrs any-
>> time the band is open, and listen to the wide-assed AM signals
>> up and down the band..TXing on top of beacons, QSOs, and anything
>> else that happens to be there..Why isnt anything done about this

For what it's worth, a group of Amateurs in the US has begun transmitting CW and RTTY on top of the intruders, using beams and/or high power. The illegals usually move off pretty quickly. I checked with the FCC Monitoring Station in Columbia, MD about this practice. They said it was not considered intentional interference by the Amateurs if the stations being jammed were not supposed to be there in the first place.

28.085 is a frequency getting a different type of attention. Some truckers "adopted" this as a "company channel". Because they concentrate at one spot on the dial, it has made it easy to track them and follow them into weigh stations, where the operator and the vehicle owner are identified. Letters to a few company presidents have made a significant dent in illegal operation on 28.085 in the past year.

This is passed along simply as encouragement about the situation. It is not intended to start a CB vs Ham arguement. Nor does this address freeband operation. Frankly, most Amateurs could care less what happens below 28.0, and most freeband operators respect the band edge.

Yrac

2404. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126094500.EAA12906@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180536

>
>If you simply expect those of us in support of ending code to
>go away, then you are in for a long wait. The purpose of
>writing here (long or short articles) is to continue the discussion
>and bring it to the many that do read this newsgroup.
>
>Bill Sohl K2UNK

You can write as much and as long as you want, Bill. Its an open forum. It just seems like you are "preaching to the choir." Even if you convince someone in the NG to adopt your position (which is not likely), what good would it have done for your cause?

As I understand your position, you want to spread your views to as wide an audience as possible. I respectfully suggest that this is like being a "shot gun" which scatters in a lot of directions, but which doesn't do much at a distance. If you want to be like a long range, accurate rifle, focus your writing efforts on those who can make a difference on the issue at hand---whether it's the CW requirements for Amateur Radio, or anything else.

Best regards,
Yrac

2405. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126100301.FAA11933@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180537

> that means changing the minds of the radio amateurs who ultimately
>set ARRL policy, IE its paying customers.

ARRL is controlled by "members", not "customers". Of course members have a say in electing officials and making policy. But, back to the subject:

>Since the ARRL certainly isn't
>going to make any meaningful efforts to publish views opposing its policies,
>that leaves forums like this for use in that effort.

If you want to hear yourself "preach", in the hope that everyone will be impressed with your viewpoint, go on....and on....and on.

Since you apparently did not understand my original post, let me put it another way: It strikes me as trying to sell ice to Eskimos, or sand to the Arabs.

If you are too lazy to look up the names and e-mail addresses of those who can make a difference in the CW requirements (or any other issue), then feel free to post as much as you want to the NG. Those who don't want to hear any more can filter out the participants by screen name or subject lines.

Yrac said, originally:
> If someone feels strongly about the Morse code
>>requirements as they pertain to Amateur radio, it will do much more good to
>>spend time and words directed toward those who can make a difference, rather
>>than writing long, repetitive articles on the newsgroup.

"Never try to teach a pig to sing.
It wastes your time, and it annoys the pig."
-------Mark Twain

2406. Yaesu FT-76 mod wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: GPS <radio@inet.zitech.dk>
Message-ID: <34CC64C1.4FAE@inet.zitech.dk>
Source record: 180538

Need a mod of the FT-76?

2407. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: fred@inti.net
Message-ID: <885811015.1976565763@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180539

In article <885219916.229244940@dejanews.com>,
K0HB@JUNO.COM wrote:
>
>
> > Are they treating vanity callsign renewals like like the state of
> > Florida treats vanity license plates? Each time you renew you have to
> > pay an additional fee.
>
> Yes. At whatever yearly rate exists at the time of renewal. You can
> decline to pay the fee, in which case you will be issued a new call
> in the current rotation.
>
Who knows what will happen between now and when the first gate 2
vanity licenses come due for renewal. A lot can happen in the next
8+ years. Perhaps by then, they'll charge a stiff fee for the renewal
of ANY license and the vanity fee will be redundant. There is a good
chance that licensing will be entirely privatised by that time, the
implications of which with respect to fees is totally unknown. Perhaps
more than one organization will offer licensing so you could go with
one that offered the best deal.

.......Fred

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2408. Re: Marine Distress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5pf@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126121801.HAA16506@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180540

>By the way, we have already seen at least one marine disaster that would have
>resulted in far greater loss of life had there not been properly maintained
>autoalarms on 500 Kc and ccompetent, atentive operators manning their shacks.
>

AB5VH DE K5PF

Thanks for an interesting post. I am a former USCG radio op from NOY, NUZY, &
4YV. I later went civilian for ITT's station KLC in Galveston. I got out of
the business a few years ago, and and been wondering how the new systems were
handling distress situations.

73 and thanks again for the info.

2409. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cc7ced.697021@news.total.net>
Source record: 180541
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 22:51:22 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:

>...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!

This kind of trolling is a real problem for ham radio today.

More than 50% of hams in the world (which include Japan) do not hold
CW.

Many have knowledge of CW aren't hams.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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2410. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cc7db7.898716@news.total.net>
Source record: 180542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 22:58:59 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:

>.....................Good CW operators don't swear!
^^

you mean who goes through CW cleaning process ??

I doubt it. Tune to 80m and you will hear a bunch of swearings and
LSB music stations with call sign.

They [US hams] at least passed 13 WPM huh ??

Listen to 2m repeaters. I rarely hear swearings by the no-coders.
How do you explain this fact ?

____
Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
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URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
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2411. DX-World-Guide 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: FUNK-TELEGRAMM@t-online.DE
Message-ID: <34CC81C0.75FB@t-online.de>
Source record: 180543

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2412. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: davidr@southwest.com.au
Message-ID: <885812311.799654@karri.southwest.com.au>
Source record: 180544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"K.Klevesahl" <slipbit@spnt.com> wrote:

>Cutie Boy wrote:
>>
>> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>>
>> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>> using it ?
>>
>> It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
>> for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
>>
>> _____
>> Visit this excellent site
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>> Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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>> Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
>> Mail-Electronique: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
>> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)
>> _____
>> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
>> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>>
>> ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!
> I would talk to her. The fact that her conversations can be herd by
>someone else maybe motivation enough for her to by a cheap 900mhz
>cordless. You might also mention that anyone with a scanner can hear
>too.
> good luck, kevin

****
****

1. First you cannot ask her to stop using the cordless phone.

2.Hearing the cordless around 147 MHz, is a ghost image usually 2 time the IF frequency of your scanner

3. tough luck

2413. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5pf@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126123801.HAA19084@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180545

>>
>>I've heard that start a fight on 500 KHz many times!!!!!
>
>Yup. I'd send that to them dang Russian ships when they transmit during
>the Silent Periods.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ (former CW operator at NMO)

Wow! Suddenly the "pro's" have come out of the woodwork, Jeff. I had just finished reading a post about autoalarms when I ran across YOUR message.

Probably some of us have worked each other. I might even recognize your "fist", HI. I was a USCG RM1 and served in the Gulf of Mexico on Campeche Patrols (NUZY), with a fellow named Glenn Mushett, from 1964 to 1966. I then transferred to Sand Island, Hawaii onboard the USCGC BERING STRAIT. If you've ever worked Ocean Station Victor/4YV, there's a good chance it was me! I was there almost constantly from 1966 to 1968, except for one year in Viet Nam as part of the US Navy. When ashore, I ran phone patches for the guys at sea, using KH6DED at Sand Island.

After leaving the USCG, I went to work for ITT as a CW operator at station KLC, near Galveston. I stayed there until 1978. Exciting job, and it paid well, too! I'm doing other things, now. But I sure miss 600 Meters! KLC had a 500 foot vertical tower, with 36 radials at the base. We also had several acres of HF antennas. A ham's dream station!

73
K5PF

2414. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5pf@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126125301.HAA18429@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180546

Stephen Eagle wrote:
> There is no FCC, it is a figment of our
>imagination.

Just a "figment", you say? Well, son, it was an expensive imagination for a number of folks during 1997. Here's just ONE example:

"A man fined by the FCC for malicious interference and other rules violations has finally agreed to pay up. In 1996, the FCC fined Timothy Harold Hoffman of Phoenix $6,000 for repeated violations, including interference to Phoenix area repeaters. The violations were called to the Commission's attention by the Arizona Repeater Association's ARRL-sanctioned Local Interference Committee.

"Hoffman was cited for five specific violations, including transmitting on ham frequencies without a valid operator or station authorization, and willfully and maliciously interfering with ham radio communications. "
-----QST, February 1998, p.74

Note: The federal judgement was by US District Court judge Robert C. Broomfield.

2415. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6ai153$3so$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180547
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6agkmn$spk@jupiter.planet.net>,
Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>MD misses the point. Of course the FCC is the ultimate arbiter
>of any decision...and the more support out there the better. That
>still doesn't change the fact that the editors of magazines MAY have
>championed the nocode tech license AND may have even
>speculated on what it might do, they (the editors) owed no
>one any promise tht such end results would be guaranteed.

We're not talking just about editorials written by magazine editors.
We're also talking about letters sent to the editor (which were
roughly equalized by letters against removing the code, so there was
balance on the 'letters' pages), and we're also talking about other
sources.

Even today, we see the No-Code Agenda still claiming that removing the
code test for HF will bring hoardes of techno-geniuses into the hobby.
Why would it? It didn't when we eliminated the code for VHF. There is no
reason to think it would if we eliminated HF code.

>I have stated over and over again that, all that I
>see as the rational to end code testing is the simple fact that
>there is NO compelling reason anymore to retain it.

You just stated that bodies were important. Which is it?

>There absolutely no reason today to require all HF hams to know morse.

When you get right down to it, there is little reason to require 99%
of the knowledge we do. Most people use existing modes with store-bought
equipment and never build anything, except assembling their antennas.
Virtually the only knowledge required for HF operation these days is
a good grasp of the rules and regulations, and basic safety. I daresay that
a good 80+% of what is on the existing examinations could be eliminated
using this same exact rationale.

>So a couple of editors made such statements. Do they speak for all hams?

Go To Paragraph #1.

>I have first hand knowledge of competent technical people
>who would be good hams, but have no time to do the code
>requirement. That's sufficient evidence for me.

Why don't they get Tech licenses? That's what the license class is
there for.

>The tech license has always been somewhat that way, even before the codeless
>tech was created. I was a tech for about 30 years. Many others were also.

And why is that?

>Please find even one such example. Just who promised what?
>MD keeps saying that but I still see no such examples other
>than vague references to past QST editorials...as if the editor
>of QST had any power to fullfill such a promise.

I'll use the typical Carl Stevenson dodge here: "I don't have time to do
your research for you -- go back and look through your magazines in the
early-to-mid 1980's for plenty of examples".

>That sure says a lot about MDs attitude and willingness to effect any
>meaningful change rather than just bitch about the size and type of questions.

I'm sorry that you cannot see that the underlying system of examination is
broken. If you did, you would understand that increasing the question pools
is not the answer, but overhauling the entire examination system to
eliminate question pools *IS* the answer.

>>>To bad MD doesn't believe what he writes in terms of appropriate
>>>test requirements.
>
>>Bill Sohl ignores numerous postings from myself where I publically
>>state that I openly support "mode-based testing", where individuals are
>>only tested in those modes they wish to operate.
>
>And MD knows full well that such mode testing is neither needed
>nor ever likly to become a reality. Supporting that which has no
>probability of coming about is always easy.

I do support appropriate test requirements. Mode-based testing is by
far the "fairest" form of testing there is (since, after all, the No-Code
Agenda keeps yelling that requiring code-tests for HF access is "unfair"
when all they want to do is operate SSB, I fail to see how they could *NOT*
support what is, undoubtfully, the most fair form of testing there is --
only those modes each person wishes to personally operate.

Sometimes good change hurts. Some people say that mode-based testing is
"too hard". Where is it written that whenever a change is made to amateur
radio, the change always has to result in something being *easier*?

If the No-Code Agenda were really interested in things being "fair",
they would support the concept of mode-based testing. The fact that they
do not says volumes: either 1) they are hypocrites, or 2) they really
are not interested in "fairness", but simply yacking on SSB. Methinks #2.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--

-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2416. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ianchard@voyager.sqf.hp.com
Message-ID: <6ai41h$m2g@hpwin055.uksr.hp.com>
Source record: 180548
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Curtis M LaFon (n5hdq@wf.quik.com) wrote:

: The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
: (for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
: language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
: use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.
^^^^^^^^

You missed out "or don't have the aptitude". There was a guy who posted here recently that he learned CW in a day. Good for him, kudos, etc. He must have a natural aptitude to learning codes. I, on the other hand, have been trying to learn the damn stuff for several years and am getting nowhere fast. It's intensely frustrating and pointless [1]. It reminds me of my old art teacher who used to say "just DRAW what you SEE!" - and try as I might, the squiggles that appeared on the paper looked absolutely nothing like what I was trying to draw.

: Curtis .. N5HDQ .. Rock solid with a pencil at 25 WPM ..

Good for you; CW as a mode has a lot going for it.

[1] As I just said, CW is great as a mode, but a poor choice for a test. I do believe that access to HF needs some sort of testing, but the powers that be seem to be saying "you have a free choice of modes to use on HF, but you have to be able to use CW, even if you don't want to / never actually will". Perhaps what we really need is a codeless HF _technical_exam_, and a CW test for access to those parts of the band set aside specifically for CW (and if they aren't in the schedule, they should be).

--
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Email: <ianchard@sqf.hp.com> Telnet: 313-3328 Phone: +44 (0)131 331 6328

"Give a man a mask and he'll tell you the truth" -- Oscar Wilde

2417. Re: 700 Club - "HERF - Guns" (RF-Guns) BS or What ???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: DANO <kimo9@idt.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2a42$d070bf60$0a1871ce@default>
Source record: 180549

the guns are real!!!! the technology was discovered as early as ww2. when the atomic bomb was dropped in japan, it was noticed that the "emp" from the explosion blew out power in any thing electronic almost a 100 miles away from ground zero.
but, as with any new toy the government develops,other groups spend twice as much to defeat it. the result is alot of hipe "ie 700 club" and alot of money spent on nothing.
p.s. a friend who works for raytheon says the "emp" needed to blow your computer or 2way radio up from say a 100ft would make the user of the weapon sterol. the units the milatary uses are remotes mounted on the outside of a vehicle or aircraft, and would stick out like " a sore thumb" if someone was in your neighborhood with one.
pat robertson is a yuppy moron

Chipster <chipster66@hotmail.com> wrote in article
<34c5b5e6.7771085@news.alt.net>...
> I happened to tune into Pat Robertsons 700 Club tonight about 3/4 of
> the way through the program, they were discussing "HERF-Guns" (High
> Energy Radio Frequency) Guns , some of which are supposedly mobile and
> some that an individual could carry. "Supposedly" these "RF" guns can
> generate enough "RF" to disable computers, erase or corrupt HD's etc.s
> (from 50 to 100 ft) and were "supposedly" used during the Gulf War to
> Cripple some of Saddam's military computer installations. I suspect
> this is "Junk Science" for the most part as a lot of prior
> "information" I've seen on the 700 club might as well appear in
> alt.conspiracy but I was curious if anyone had any insight into this.
>
> Cheers
>
>
> Chipster
>

2418. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <6ai842$l2g@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 180550
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6ags2m$66u$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>In article <6agmc0$dvu@btc3.up.net>,
> Larry A. Warsinski <lwarsins@up.net> wrote:
>
>>The problem with the phrase "No-Code Agenda" is that the term "agenda"
>>implies a concerted, co-ordinated effort and a definite series of steps, a
>>planned effort.
>
>Yup. Although, I would disagree with you that such an agenda needs to be
>"coordinated". All that is required is enough people to believe in it, and
>spread the word. There does not need to be a 'controlling' agency/person,
>as it were.

Sorry to tell you that there is no Agenda -- have never seen it published
and have never agreed to it. I think if you were to poll all the
"no-code-test" people, you would find that they are not involved in any
concerted effort beyond the minimum, i.e., changing the code test
requirements for HF access.

So if you DO find an agenda, it is not the "get rid of all cw forever"-type
movement you ascribe to it.

>>Using it with the term "No-Code" asserts that the forces on
>>the opposite side of the issue from you have conspired together to define
a
>>planned attack to remove all use of code from the amateur bands.
>
>Sorry Larry. I can't buy it. The Codeless Tech license is referred to as
>the "no-code license". It was back in the 80's, it is today. History
>created the definition. Not me. Using the term "no-code" in describing
>the agenda, as the agenda is merely an extension of the logic presented
>for the no-code license back in the mid-80's, is perfectly proper.

This is a misuse of the term "agenda". There is no plan of action. Now if
you mean to say that the logic used to promote the no-code license can be
extended to promote the elimination of all code use, you may indeed say
so -- but there is no agenda "we" are following. Still sounds like you're
believing in conspiracies <grin>!

>>Your right to define phrases is somewhat limited to the normal meaning of
>>the words involved.
>
>Lessee... "No-Code" (see: Codeless). "Agenda" (see: plan). "No-Code Agenda"
>(see: Codeless plan). Yup, it fits.

Sorry, but there is no "plan" -- and thus no "agenda".

>
>>Thus, to many people, "No-Code Agenda" is an inaccurate reflection of
their
>>position
>
>That's certainly your opinion, you're entitled to it; I happen to disagree.
>

Since you apply it universally, and are thus applying it to me, my opinion
is the one to follow. After all, as I am sure you'll agree:

>-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

(Couldn't resist! <grin>)

--Larry A. Warsinski--
lwarsins@up.net

2419. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: fpmjr@valinet.com
Message-ID: <34ccad95.0@news.valinet.com>
Source record: 180551
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

On 1998-01-25 kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM(MichaelP.Deignan) said:
kh>Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb
kh>In article <34cb77db.0@news.valinet.com>, <kba6662@fpmjr@valinet.
kh>>com> wrote: Narrow minded thinking like above IS the prime
kh>>reason amateur radio is slowly going away.

kh>Hi Fran,
kh>Exactly what definition do you use to say "amateur radio is going
kh>away"?

If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams" world
wide..there _should_ be 5 x that amount. Having to learn an outdated
protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is certainly
contributing to the problem. What's the point of having to learn morse?

Do you ever become frustrated because of the
ridiculously high prices on most amateur radios? It would seem to me, if
there were _more_ demand the prices would perhaps "moderate"?

There are more licensed amateurs today than in the history
kh>of the hobby. Amateur radio has seen consistant growth in its
kh>licensed numbers since its inception.

True, but show me some figures that indicate how many are still active.

kh>The idea that "amateur radio is going away" is nothing more than yet
kh>another of the "10 Big Lies of the No-Code Agenda".

I don't think so..it's time for some progressive thinking in the "ham
ranks"..dump the "old farts"..and narrow minded "bureaucrats"!

Regards.
Fran

Committee: A life-form with several mouths but no brain.

Net-Tamer V 1.10.1 - Registered

2420. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cca739.428370611@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 08:46:48 GMT, davidr@southwest.com.au (David Richardson) wrote:
>"K.Klevesahl" <slipbit@spnt.com> wrote:
>
>>Cutie Boy wrote:
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>>> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242
>>> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
>>>
>>> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
>>> using it ?
>>>
>>> It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
>>> for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
>
>1. First you cannot ask her to stop using the cordless phone.

If he were in the US he could. Part 15 devices must not cause interference
to other services. I don't know if Canada has a similar requirement, but I
suspect that it does.

>2.Hearing the cordless around 147 MHz, is a ghost image usually 2 time
>the IF frequency of your scanner

That would put the phone at 125.6 MHz, right smack in the middle of the
aeronautical band. If that were the case, then it definitely must cease
operation. Or it would put it at 168.4 MHz, where cordless phones also
are prohibited. And besides, the HTX202 has the best front end filtering
of any amateur HT, and certainly would not be giving an image response
to either of those frequencies even if the cordless phone were permitted
to operate on them, which it isn't.

What is almost certainly happening is that the 49 MHz cordless phone
is producing a strong 3rd harmonic, which convienently falls on 147 MHz.
This is, of course, illegal behavior on the part of the phone, and there is
nothing to be done to the amateur radio to prevent it from receiving these
spurious emissions since they are right smack in the middle of its legitimate
bandpass. The phone needs to be repaired or replaced.

>3. tough luck

It is tough luck because the authorities aren't very interested in enforcing
their own spurious emissions regulations anymore and are unlikely to take
the proper action to shut this illegally operating cordless phone down. But
the fault does lie with the phone owner, and the legal burden to solve the

problem is on the phone owner. That's cold comfort to Cutie of course since no legal action is likely to be taken by the authorities.

In the interest of neighbor relations, he probably should just buy her a new cordless phone, one that he has tested to make sure it is free of harmonics that would impair his operations.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2421. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126044501.XAA16890@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180553

In article <19980125233001.SAA26744@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>You "know" nothing of the sort. You are merely parroting what a few others >on
this newsgroup have suggested.

Go ahead. Broadcast "Drew's" callsign,
>address, physical description, Social
Security number, and whatever else you
>can get your hands on. Maybe someone
will then contact "Drew" and he can
>confront you, asking why you and your
friends continue to make these
>accusations and allegations against him, despite
a lack of proof to back up
>your claims. If you're lucky, this is all he will
do. If you're not so
>fortunate, he may well consider taking legal action
against you for possible
>libel and/or defamation of his character.

"Where's that big 'ol CB
>RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Pretty desparate, Drew. As I have said, nobody is interested in "unmasking" you, so there is no need to be paranoid. Anyway, why would some "other Drew" cry libel just because he were mistaken for you? Would that really be so terrible?

All that is called for here is to stop being so offensive and contribute constructively. You are dishing out a lot of abuse and hiding behind your anonymous and frankly, rather cocky sig. You must admit, your style would seem to others like you are deliberately antagonizing people, confident that it will never come back on you. It doesn't matter who you are; you are still you, and a very rude, tiresome, inconsiderate you to boot. What is so terrible or boring about just being a decent human being anyway? Is it such an effort?

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2422. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126044601.XAA15393@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180554

In article <6agsio$qcr@clarknet.clark.net>, Nat Heatwole
<heatwole@shell.clark.net> writes:

>
I learned code by first studing the letters and then using a code program
on
>my computer to get it up to 5. Should I use the same computer program
and
>just slowly move up the speed until I get up to 13? Or is there a
better
>method? If you have any suggestions on this please let me know.
Thanks a lot
>in advance!

Nat Heatwole
heatwole@clark.net

Well, Nat, you may have picked up a few bad habits that will hinder you somewhat, but you are probably not past unlearning them. What program did you use? Did the documentation mention anything about something called Farnsworth code? This is morse sent with the individual characters sent at a relatively high speed, but the inter-character spaces lengthened so that the total speed is lower. This type of sending lets you hear the sound of the characters rather than count the dits and dahs. the "counting method" is almost universally used by those who learn at 5 WPM and then try to work up. If you have Supermorse, a shareware pfogram well worth the registration fee written by WD5CID, you have excellent Farnsworth and random-character support. The ARRL VEs use farnsworth, with character speed at 18 WPM for the 5 and 13 WPM exams, and straight 20 WPM timing for the Extra. This is not an ideal speed for someone who definitely will go for the Extra license, but it is fine up to General/Advanced and will make you conversational. Look for other posts from myself, from Bob, N4FG I think is his call, (apologies if I do not remember correctly, Bob) and others on a nearly identical topic elsewuere.

Always try to copy faster than you can. If you are getting better than 80 percent copy, it is time to kick the speed up a notch. The total speed; you really ought to be using farnsworth with 18 or better, as Bob suggests, 20 WPM characters. Don't be intimidated. You will freak out at first because you can't count the dits. Don't worry about counting dits and dahs. losten to the SOUND. This method takes that crutch away from you and has you doing it the way 15-25 WPM ops all do it, by hearing the character and the occasional whole word. "The" will eventually sound like one character to you, dah didididi dit and you will write the word or think it as a unit rather than a T, an H, and an E.

Supermorse has a very challenging drill in it that closely matches a method used by virtually all high-speed ops, "copying behind". This means you are writing down the character you heard 3, 4, or more characters ago. This enables writing down whole words, and allows you to write cursively rather than with kindergarten capitals. The first time I ever saw this was a shipboard R/O copying the ARA news at 31 WPM as sent by WLO Mobile. I have tried this, and when I ever get off my butt and master it I am confident I can hit that so-far elusive 30+ WPM no-sweat copy.

By the way, WLO is excellent practice even at that speed for a beginner. You will only get the odd letter every other word or so, but I guarantee you will not count! Just hook up your TNC or Hamcomm interface, copy with the computer, and try to get the first letter of each word, looking at your screen for instant gratification or private humiliation. As far as I know, they still send the traffic list, Weather, and ARA news by CW as well as SITOR. I guess I better check them out and see if they still do. Anyway, the last freqs I have for them are:
434 KHz
2055.5
4257.5
6446.5
8445.5
8473.5
8658
12660
12704.5
13024.9
16969
17173
22686.5
26123

There are lots of other coast stations but usually they send their broadcasts a bit slower, some down around 18 WPM.

OOPS those were the working frequencies. Their broadcast freqs are:
4343
6416
8514
12886.5
16033.5
17022.5
22487
26135

I thought something was strange... 500 was in the list and they don't tie up 500 with the WX. Anyway, the other freqs are good places to hear moderate to high speed CW. Note that you will only hear one side of the QSO as the ships will be transmitting on one of its assigned working freqs, and WLO using WLO's working freqs. Split is the norm in maritime CW and you have to listen to the calling freqs and be really sharp to catch both sides, so just homestead of the shore station's working freq.

Do try to get on the air now, even though you are not really comfortable with CW yet. Don't worry if you freak out a little at first as you have your first few QSOs... this is normal, sort of a 'stage fright' or I guess "key fright" and you will quickly outgrow it. send "PSE QRS" when you need the other guy to slow it down. Most hams are happy to do whatever they can to ease you onto the bands and will send as slow and repeat as much as necessary. A little sweat and pressure is good for you at this stage anyway. I know I will catch heat for that remark, but I stand by it. I didn't really knuckle down till after my first couple of QSOs.

good luck and keep at it. I hope you end up enjoying CW as much as I do.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2423. Re: Okay, what method is the fastest/most efficient way to learn 13WPM code?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126051301.AAA21048@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180555

In article <wa2iseEnDJ8M.IMs@netcom.com>, wa2ise@netcom.com (Robert Casey)
writes:

>
I have a tech plus (the very old tech license where you did 5WPM and
>
general theory tests), so, to upgrade all I'd need is code at 13WPM.
What
>method is the quickest and most efficient way to learn it? Assume
I forgot
>my 5WPM, because I did. Just get some tapes or a morse program
and run them
>at 15WPM from teh beginning (idea is to learn the "sound"
of each character,
>rather than "translating a series of dits and dahs".
Yes?

I

WOW! sure are a lot of code upgraders today! This is really encouraging! I'm not gonna repeat my previous 2 or 3 posts on the subject verbatim, but briefly, try WD5CID's SUPERMORSE program. read the Docs thorouhgly for hints on how to use the program most effectively and learn the quickest. And yes, the type of timing you describe, called Farnsworth code, is a proven method that really gets results. Set SUPERMORSE to give you characters at 15, 18, or even 20 WPM and send the words at your working speed plus a couple notches. This is the most painless method to get up to conversational speed. If you want the carry-around convenience of tapes, record your own from the program, and change the tape daily to prevent memorization and increase speed. listen at a speed where you cannot get solid copy. When you are getting better than 80% it is time to kick it up a notch to keep you learning and not stagnating. Don't burn out... 5 or 10 minute sessions 3 or 4 times a day are better than cramming for an hour. Remember, your test is only 5 minutes, and you only have to get 70% of the questions, usually multiple choice, correct, or pass "the hard way" with one minute of solid copy.

This program got me up to extra speed in only a couple of months from scratch, and it would have taken me a year or more, I believe, with just tapes and onn-the-air listening.

In a phrase, "GO FOR IT".

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS

dit diddy-dit dit.........

2424. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CC1E5C.5DFBF6CD@flash.net>
Source record: 180556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 18:54:38 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
>
> >Yes, they are screening - as the sysop's spare time permits. This is
> >why packet is slower than snail mail - if the packet ever gets through
> >at all.
> >Brian/N0iMD
>
> and don't forget... our enemy, e-mail is faster...

Thought this one died weeks ago Masa, are we trolling again?Why do you think e-mail
is our enemy?

Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2425. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: jsmollon@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34cc1a93.123893636@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180557

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 07:18:46 -0800, Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
wrote:

>This discussion is so amusing, no evidence released yet, not to my
>knowledge, tho I haven't seen today's Sunday paper or watched much TV
>yet today. Some demand impeachment. Ya better be keeping an eye on the
>legislator during this distraction. They affect your daily life much
>more than the wandering willy.
>
>--
>73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
>near Plainville, KS
>dougy@ruraltel.net
>

Good point Doug... back in the 60's my father was an editor of a
newspaper and he caught real "bad guys" doing things to the public.
More often than not these guys would be yelling and drawing the
attention of the public toward some poor guy who didn't know
what the hell was going on, while he walked away with all the
marbles.

I hope the president's people are keeping an eye on the people
pointing fingers.

2426. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6ah80v$ns@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Mike Worshum <wb6k@earthlink.net> wrote:
>I believe ....who started when...who started how....or who started why
>in this fine hobby is illrevalent to any reasons why we must learn CW to
>upgrade for priveliges on the low bands. It's the rules we must adhere
>to & respect.

And no one is saying anything different are they?

>Sure time moves on...we don't drive horse drawn buggies,
>but they do exist.

Which is why a driver's license doesn't require horsemanship.
That IS the goal of nocode test advocates. Elimination of
te CW test by LEGAL changes to the regulations.

> A law student must study solved cases, a history
>student must study the alimo, we must take a driving test for a drivers
>liscense. Ham radio is a privelege not a right that must be earned not
>easily obtained.

Your point? Not one of the examples you give is in any
way synonomous with code tests.

In fact, ham radio is a privelege that is obtained by
passing a government test...and government tests should
be relavent as opposed to affirmative action testing
to preserve CW usage.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2427. Re: thanks for the replies still no help Re: kenwood ts830s 27 mhz mod please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126060301.BAA26231@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180559

I personally thought that the response was in good taste and technologically accurate. Why the person was asking about the mod in an AMATEUR ng is beyond me, unless he or she had an interest in listening to what amatuer operators had to say. And why shouldn't that make sense?
The response from the ham is fine... he is not obliged to give a mod, whether he knows the mod or not, and he certainly is within his rights (and bound by his license) to keep things legal and clean.
Of course, I have seen many such responses from CBRambo and can only figure that he is not only not needed in the ham bands, but doesn't even WANT to be a ham, so why he hangs out in a ham ng and sends caustic, brainless and interruptive replies is also beyond me.
Then again, while he may scream all the time about how he hates "hamdom", there is a lot to be said for the 5 year-old who hits a classmate because he actually likes her, and that's the way he shows his interest. That would explain 'Rambo's mentality, would it not?
Mike in MO.

2428. Re: "Local" Communication, 10m, 6m, 2m, 220

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: senior@snet.net
Message-ID: <6ah97p$m0r@news2.snet.net>
Source record: 180560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

2 meters is the most used band, hencer lots of repeaters. I use a beam on horizontal polarization and a stick on vertical (triple 5/8 wave dual band-- 7.8 dB on S, 11.8 dB on 440) I have found this vertical workes better than one of my beams on 2 that I have set for vertical polarization. Swap meets sell these antenna for about $140. They are 17 feet like with three small radial--put it up as high as you can get it and you will be able to work a wide radius on 2 and 440. I love my 2 meter beam on horizontal. I've worked a 350 mile radius during band openings last year. Under normal conditions I can get 100 miles or more simplex with another good station at an equally high location.

440 opffers more privacy and given the bandwidth availabe provides lots of space for people who find 2 meters too crowded and also for people who enjoy the options of crossbanding--a cheap way to duplex two bands into one antenna.

220 is a quiet band--rarely used in the US since Japanese does not have that band I'm told), the rarity of radios makes it very private--except in Calilfornia.

I can talk 100 miles in normal condition on two meters, around 60 on 440 with a good antenna.

6 meters is the band you want. Normal conditions yield an easy 200 miles with a decent antenna. 6 meter FM requires only an easy to get Technician's license. It is my favorite band. If you are on top of a mountain you will kick ass with 6. Trust me.

Horizontal polatization decreases noise--most noise is vertically polarized, but requires a rotator unless you stack halo's and allows you to null out signals you don't want. I like to have two antennas, one on each polarization depending on the station I am working.

For 6 meters, I have a (Hygain--I think) double 5/8 wave vertical antenna and a 5 element Cushcraft beam for horizontal. The Cushcraft kicks ass and has a short boom and fabulous gain. I've also had fair success with simple dipoles made out of old ski poles feed with unbalanced coax. I plan to change two of my ski-pole dipoles into a Turnstyle antenna next (see book ref). I also plan to build some halo's--a folded dipole bent into a circle--adjust impedance buy the spacing of the ends--a few inches of separation will give you 50 ohms. Check out the ARRL Antenna Book for other ideas. Stack for more gain and omni pattern on horizontal polarization!! Cool!

When the band is in, you can talk to europe on 6 meters. That has never been done from the Eastern US on 2 meters, although contacts from New England south to the Carribean have been done.

10 meters is not a bad band, and opens more often than 6. In the next three years you should be able to talk to any place on earth as the band opens up. You will need a General or better license to operate on FM on this band. With a Tech Plus license you can use it for SSB. I use a vertical Solatron (Antron) 99 antenna--it is cheap and I've talked all over the US on it and it works ok locally. these antenna by virtue of their size have limited gain--so pour on some power if you need it. A 3 element ten meter beam is a good idea if you decide on 10.

SSB is a mode that will get more power into your signal--hence longer distances. I personally prefer the sound quality of FM, unless I'm trying to save power while operating maritime mobile. I don't like in pain of tuning required by Slop-Bucket (SSB).

I hope it didn';t bore you with too much info.

>On Thu, 15 Jan 1998 12:37:44 -0500, Jiann-Ming Su
><js290@prism.gatech.edu> wrote:

>>I am looking for advice, suggestions and experience with local
>>communications (mainly within 25 mile radius but also as much as a 250
>>mile radius). I am looking for information on the different performance
>>characteristics of the amateur bands and modes to use within these
>>ranges. I am trying to learn something and also create my &#65533;master plan&#65533;
>>:) for equipment purchases where I can concentrate my limited
>>resources. , anyway, you get the idea...
>>
>>I currently use 2m and some 440 for my around town communications. My
>>parents live on a farm in the North Georgia mountains and I love to
>>experiment with communication systems in that environment. My
>>experience so far says that 440 is basically useless (one mile and a few
>>bends in the road and 440 is unreadable but 2m is 5-9+) 2m gives
>>reasonable propagation, but even then we sometimes have trouble getting
>>8 miles as the crow flies simplex with 100w, a 7db antenna about 60ft
>>up, but in other directions we can communication 100 miles under the
>>right conditions. So the location is not the best, but that just gives
>>more challenges! I also use the crossband repeat mode when I go hiking
>>440-2m but once again 440 has at most a one mile range HT to mobile. So
>>it is not very useful for anything more than a walk in a city park, but
>>the wilderness areas up there are quite large! I have also experimented
>>with 2m and 440 in large buildings, ie a mall and the World Congress
>>Center in Atlanta. Even there (where I thought 440 would show it&#65533;s
>>stuff) the 440 would unreadable but 2m had a 5-5 signal.
>>Conclusion: 440 simplex is useful for only very limited distances and
>>2m has several times the range.
>>
>>With that in mind, how do the other bands measure up?

>>10m FM, 6M, 2m, 220, 440 and 1.2G
>>Does 220 have characteristics like 440 or 2m (unfortunately I don't
>>think there are any 220 dual band HTs) Would 220 be a better band if I
>>want longer distance and in a mountainous area?
>>What about 6m or 10m FM? If I wanted to crossband when I hike, back to
>>my car and then out on 2m, would 6m give me a reasonable range or even
>>10m FM? (I have been very unimpressed by CB performance though, I
>>don't know if it was the band or the mode)
>>What about mobile to base SSB? I have tried different bands on HF (with
>>a very suspect antenna contraption on my car) but even with 100w the
>>performance wasn't much better than CB and 2m FM was 100 times better
>>(there were some kinks, i.e. polarization and a home-brew mobile
>>antenna)
>>
>>Conclusion:
>>1. I would like to hear from people who use bands other than 2m and
>>440, who can comment and contrast their performance to those bands,
>>especially in mountainous areas. using both mobile, HT or a
>>combination. There must be some good reason why you put up or use a
>>repeater other than 2m or 440!
>>2. Also some idea from people who are in similar situations and what
>>kind of system they use.
>>3. People who can give some tip on SSB HF for "local" communications
>>and "near angle" or "vertical angle" (I think) propagation modes. (they
>>need to be as "local" <500 miles as possible, when I was in Ecuador I
>>was always irritated by the US hams (especially on 80m) who would
>>ragchew with someone across town for hours about their new 500w amp they
>>were using and they were 5-9+30 overseas and totally oblivious)
>>3. I would be nice to not just have anecdotal stories, but halfway
>>designed experiments or some theory or just pointing me to some sources,
>>books, or places to post, because obviously the land mobile and police
>>have done such studies.
>>4. Suggestions on antenna designs. vertical, horizontal, or cross
>>polarization, endfed compared to centerfed stacked dipoles. I am
>>generally more interested in area coverage compared to point to point,
>>and working simplex or hitting a repeater mobile than hitting a repeater
>>from home.
>>
>>Sorry for the long post, but hopefully this will start up a good
>>discussion.
>>you may reply to
>>lent@isye.gatech.edu
>> if you want to write more in depth or hear a more detailed version of
>>my experiements.
>>
>>73, Eddie KS4TY, HC1EYB

Sea Ya!

Bart Senior, ARS: KC5VUO

2429. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmk~~arse#@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34cc29d9.11023981@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180561
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 23:02:03 -0500, The Bakers <mbaker@monmouth.com>
wrote:

>Tim Hynde wrote:
>
>> Actually Masa, were all trying to figure out how to keep YOU busy. (away from the
>> keyboard).
>
>Doesn't this guy (Masa) go to college ? When does he have time to study or go to
>class ??
>
>M. Baker
>mbaker@monmouth.com
>
>
He studies late at night when other students are "..smoking pots...",
a direct quote from one of his posts in another newsgroup.

Howard

2430. Re: Want SoundBlaster book

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <LrYQ1AAXILz0EwD8@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180562

Ken,
Further to my reply to your request. The site I gave you has such a wealth of information that I may be able to narrow your search down a bit.

Two useful documents are:

"http://www.itsnet.com/home/ldragon/Specs/adlib.html"

This is an excellent source of info on using the FM music facility to generate sounds.

The other is:

"http://www.fys.ruu.nl/~bergmann/soundblaster.txt"

This gives the above plus sampling and replaying audio using QBasic.

I have lots more links if you need other data.

73.
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Don G0MDO/AA1FU

2431. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34CCBA97.45C@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> As the person who invented the phrase "No-Code Agenda" (if you don't believe
> me, go look it up in the DejaNews archives), I believe it is my right to also
> create its definition.

OK, Michael, I'll play your silly game. I'm going to invent the phrase, "Pro-code-test-a__hole" and create the definition of "the nicest hams on netnews". So when I use it from now on, it doesn't mean what it appears to mean. It means the definition I created for it and it is a compliment.
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73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC (not speaking for my employer)

2432. Liar, Liar, Cajones on fire!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34CCB86B.F07@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180564
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:> >

visiting DejaNews -- is more than enough circumstantial evidence to
> > show that the true motives of some (not all) of those involved in the
> > No-Code Agenda is to completely ban CW from amateur operation.
>
> There is NO "circumstantial" evidence to support Mike's lies that I
> "have a true motive of completely banning CW from amateur operation."
> I (and many others) have REPEATEDLY stated publicly that no such desire

Careful, Mike...the fire in Carl's pants is spreading...

2433. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2a65$173d51c0$1ea4cacc@dad>
Source record: 180565

I have to agree with Mr. Crusoe. Get on the air. I did it about a month ago. I "lurked" until I found another novice, then when he signed with whomever he was talking with, I pounced. The first two or three QSOs were really hard. I had cold sweat getting through them. I just kept on with it doing one or two QSO's each day as well as using Supermorse code practice. You will find, as I did, that there are a tremendous number of nice people out there who are really interested in helping you out. I have only had one that was not helpful and he simply disappeared. Last night I "talked" with WL7CDC in Anchorage, Alaska (I'm in Washington) for 45 minutes. He operated at 13-15 WPM, I worked at 7 to 8 WPM. I had no trouble at all. I am planning on my general code test in May...and I won't have a bit of trouble with it.

Nat Heatwole <heatwole@shell.clark.net> wrote in article <6agsio$qcr@clarknet.clark.net>...
> Hello. Earlier today I passed my Novice Ham Radio license. The written
> part wasn't very hard, but I did struggle with the code a little. But I
> was able to make it out and I passed the 10 questions part of the code
> test. My question is, is there a way for me to increase my code speed up
> to 13 WPM? I hope to take my General class license soon and right now I
> can barly do 5. I copied about 50% of the code tape correctly and some of
> it was a little sloppy.
>
> I learned code by first studing the letters and then using a code program
> on my computer to get it up to 5. Should I use the same computer program
> and just slowly move up the speed until I get up to 13? Or is there a
> better method? If you have any suggestions on this please let me know.
> Thanks a lot in advance!
>
> Nat Heatwole
> heatwole@clark.net
>
>

2434. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCC045.E590C7E1@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180566
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 22:58:59 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:
>
> >.....Good CW operators don't swear!
> ^^
>
> you mean who goes through CW cleaning process ??
>
> I doubt it. Tune to 80m and you will hear a bunch of swearings and
> LSB music stations with call sign.
>

So tell us CutieBoy just what is a LSB music station? Is that like rock and roll? Or maybe it is country western..... Hmmmm CW=country western? Naw..... Can't be.

No matter what kind of music stations they are I want to know how they can transmit music over CW? (Grin)

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2435. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCC255.C0F2714B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180567
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM wrote:

> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!

No matter where you stand on the Code/No-code for hf band operations there is no reason to make statements like that. There are many fine no-code techs doing a FB job in public service operations. Seeing as I don't see a call sign or name with your post I assume you are just trolling. If so please go elsewhere to do so.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2436. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCC8D4.963798F@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180568

MailfrmPA wrote:

> I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech
> typically
> doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and
> "gentleman's
> agreements?"
>
> KØMB

Any ham that has had an Elmer should have been told of the band plans if the Elmer was doing their job. I don't have a problem with a ham, new or not, that accidentally steps on the band plan, and then complies when they learn what it is. It is the operators that know what the band plan is and continue to just step on everyone else just because they care for nobody else other than themselves.

The ARRL has announced that this year they are going to work on a petition to the FCC for rule changes that will make willful violations of the band plan the same as willful interference, and therefor, a violation of FCC rules.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2437. Utility monitoring etc: What center frequency?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: kvenl@dds.nl
Message-ID: <34cf465f.578415@news.euro.net>
Source record: 180569
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi all!

1. Still wondering what center frequency is most common.
Mark signals are (always?) on 1275. The space frequency depends on the
shift of a signal.
So how can you say that there is ONE center frequency?

2. Also: isn't the mark frequency the actual frequency of a data
station?

3. I wonder when you use a decoder with a fixed center frequency along
with a radio control program, you can tune the station 'in the middle'
of the center frequency, just by tuning in via the database??

Yep, 3 questions... when you have any opnion/answer etc to one or more
of them, please let me know.
Any contribution will be very appreciated!

Kees van Engelen

The Netherlands

2438. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ccbf4f.434537764@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180570

On 26 Jan 1998 02:56:01 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:
>More opportunities for long-haul comms on the high bands would ease the
>pressure too. I think DSP is really gonna start making a bigger impact on EME,
>and as technology improves we will have pre-amps with lower noise figures that
>will also help make EME possible with more modest power levels and equipment
>costs. The new satellites will help too. When a newly licensed ham can make a
>transatlantic contact with an HT, demands on HF use by no-coders will abate
>somewhat. I don't think VHF, UHF, or higher spectra are being utilized at
>anywhere near their potential, but maybe we are on the right track.
>Simplifying the building or buying of gear for more exotic modes that simply
>are not possible on HF could help too. A $300 24GHz handie-lookie ATV rig,
>anybody?

There's no doubt we can improve on current EME practices. With improved signal design and coding, contacts between Oscar class stations should be easily possible. In fact it has been done, once. But data rates will be extremely low. Active amateur satellites offer much more. When Oscar 10 was in top form, it was like another 20m band, but with predictable propagation. P3D will be much better.

And of course the pacsats are easily accessable with low power equipment today. AO27 offers limited satellite FM repeater operation now, as does the repeater on MIR (when working). And the equipment slated for ISS will allow most amateurs to participate with little or no additional investment. But capacity is, and will be, very very limited, and footprints and windows are relatively small.

We need something beyond P3D and ISS, and there is nothing currently in the pipeline which offers their capabilities, or expands upon them. Ideally what we want is a 3 satellite GEO constellation, each with 24 30 MHz transponders, giving us 24 hr global coverage. The world's amateur satellite community is capable of building the satellites, but there doesn't seem any way to fund their launch.

We could do it if every one of the world's amateurs kicked in $180. But the odds of that happening appear to be slim. The world's hams will each spend thousands on a HF rig, but won't part with $180 to get 720 MHz of 24 hr worldwide spectrum capacity (That's 2057 20m band equivalents.) We're struggling just to cover P3D's costs. Sad.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2439. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCCE02.C739288E@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180571

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <6aajl2$5cf$1@usenet50.supernews.com>, "M. Neiner"
> <m9er@soundcom.net> writes:
>
> >At one time I was really excited about CB RADIO. Too bad I had to leave
> >it
> off when my children were in the car. I finally took it out of my car
> >and
> sold it. I sure didn't hear many people talking about real - life
> >interests.
>
> You'll hear even less on the HF ham bands. Endless diatribes between
> elderly
> white men about health ailments, the weather, and their lives "back in the
> good
> old days." Zzzzzzzzzzz...
>

Gee whiz CB. Talking about health, weather, and life experiences? I don't know about you but that sounds pretty close to real life to me. But I guess you internet trolls are pretty wrapped up in your fantasy cyber world......

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Still hiding in the trailer park using mommy's AOL account

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

But all we can hear are the whimpers from behind his mommy's skirts.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2440. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCD0D3.F61C62D8@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180572

Paul Bilberry wrote:

> Having been a ham since 1980 and coming from 11 meters as I did I am
> amazed at how 11 meters is looked at by most HAMS. There are good
> operators on both services. I operate the same on 75 as I do on 11
> meters. I do not engage in practices that I would be reticent to allow
> my children to hear. It's ridiculous to say that all cb channels are
> operated by cb lids. A lid is a lid.
>

Thank you Paul, well said. A lid is a lid no matter what service they are using. When you think of the restrictions of power and frequency that legit CBers have. They have it a lot worse off than we do on the ham bands with all of the garbage from the lids.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2441. Re: what does "ham" stand for????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCD3E3.A509D915@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180573

CBRambo wrote:

> Poor analogy, Jeffy. I've earned the license.

(snicker, snort,)Talk about living in a fantasy world. Do the aliens pick you up for rides on their big space ship too? Sorry CB nobody here is going to buy that line. Or did you print up a license for being an *Official Wanna Be Internet Troll*?

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Still hiding in the trailer park using mommy's AOL account.

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

But all we hear is the whimpering from behind mommy's skirts.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2442. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCD62C.5BF70FEF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180574

Cutie Boy wrote:

> We thought all HFers went through cleaning process. why do we want
> this ?? We thought all amateurs who knew the CW were excellent hams.
>
>

So what is this WE stuff cutie boy? Is there a mouse in your pocket or are
you now a member of the royal family?

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2443. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Snyder <Bob.NS.Snyder@mci.com>
Message-ID: <MO4z.1536$7G1.177870@news.internetMCI.com>
Source record: 180575

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Bob.NS.Snyder@mci.com
Remove the NS. before replying.
Doug younker wrote in message <34C8E405.4BA4@ruraltel.net>...
>MailfrmPA wrote:
> The new Tech typically
>> doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and
"gentleman's
>> agreements?"
>>
>> K�MB
>==========
>Ideally, he/she would learn of the voluntary band plans from the
>instructors and/or the books used to study for the tech exam. IMHO, any
>new amateur who doesn't learn of voluntary band plans by independent
>means is not very interested in the amateur radio service

It's not just on TECHs on 2 meters. Go down on 40m and listened. Packet in the Novice CW section. CW on the RTTY DX frequency. These are General and up classes that are not learning/using the band plans.

When I was a TECH+, it was very frustrating to hear all the packet as high as 7.110. 40m at night is hard enough to work with the AM broadcast stations in there. The digital folks would suck up a large percentage of the "usable" spectrum available to novices.

2444. Re: !!!! RADIO REVIEWS FT-50,VX1R,TH79,THG71

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cparizot@world-net.sct.fr
Message-ID: <cparizot-ya02408000R2601981956550001@news.sct.fr>
Source record: 180576

The requested file is not available.

In article <6a92o7$of7@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, "Mike" <pltd@yahoo.com> wrote:

& see:
&
& www.mariat.net/real.html

2445. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCDE1B.F2F929@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180577
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

fpmjr@valinet.com wrote:

> If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams" world
> wide..there _should_ be 5 x that amount.

So where do you get your figures that there are 2.5 million people in the world that want to become ham? And just why should there be that many? Don't know about you but I sure have never had a problem with finding someone to work unless the band was dead.

> Having to learn an outdated
> protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is certainly
>
> contributing to the problem.

Does not seem to be a problem for the thousands of new no-code techs that get licensed each year. If they are happy using vhf and find their "nitch" there then FB. Otherwise they can study a bit and upgrade. Of the several no-code hams I know on more than just a *ham radio* basis, not one of them has anything against having to learn the code if they want to upgrade.

> What's the point of having to learn morse?

For one reason it gives us a national resource of communicators for the time when other modes may fail.

For another it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks. Before we lower the requirements let's get some teeth into the enforcement of the rules to get the garbage ops off the ham bands.

> Do you ever become frustrated because of the
> ridiculously high prices on most amateur radios? It would seem to me, if
> there were _more_ demand the prices would perhaps "moderate"?

If you look at the price of manufactured rigs to the value of the dollar you would probably find that radios are cheaper now then they were 20 years ago. And heck, you can get on the air on CW for a couple of hundred dollars even if you buy a new manufactured rig.

If you go to a swapfest you will find plenty of radios that will get you up and working for very reasonable prices. And you can build a radio that will let you talk anywhere in the world for a hundred dollars or less.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2446. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bob Snyder <Bob.NS.Snyder@mci.com>
Message-ID: <2b5z.1538$7G1.198410@news.internetMCI.com>
Source record: 180578

I'd have to disagree with these suggestions. Do NOT listen to the air before taking your test. ONLY listen to Farnsworth code sent from tapes or a computer (perfect code). Listen to the air after you pass your exam. But until then you should not be worrying about who is on the air or what the protocol is or how to copy through QRM, QSB and QRN. Your main goal is the be able to copy Farnsworth code at 5wpm in a nice setting. After you pass your test you can worry about operating in "real world" conditions.

I used the tapes as a lesson guide and then used the computer to practice on. Never doing anything but random runs. I would set up files for the random runs that only had the letters I'd learned so far and run them through the program. Also practice with some letters you don't know thrown in there. This will help you to write down a dash and move on. I also would move my fingers over the letter I just wrote so that I can't read it. I also practiced at 20wpm character speed and 7 wpm word speed. This will help with your character recognition speed. You want to be a machine for your test. Hear and either write it down and write down a dash and be ready for the next letter. Listen to the 20wpm and 13wpm test and copy everything you can. You may not copy much but it doesn't matter. After copying at 13wpm, 5 seems really slow. You only need to know the letters for the 5wpm test. There is enough time to hear a letter, translate the dits and dahs and write the letter down. (13 and 20 you just have time to hear it and write.)

Now all that being said, when I got on the air I had a hard time adjusting because no one sends Farnsworth (and some don't send anything well). The first QSOs were hard because there was no time to translate the dits and dahs to letters. But at that point I had the license and all the time I needed. When my speed got up to about 12 wpm I took my 13 and passed. That was after about 150 QSOs spread over 7 months.

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Bob.NS.Snyder@mci.com
Remove the NS. before replying.
Stephen Eagle wrote in message <6aeqe6$get@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>...
>Also, stay away from a key. You CAN NOT send better than you copy. Learn
to copy
>first. And, don't forget, sandbag Novice bands, that'll give you practive
in
>protocol, listening through QSB,QRN, and QRM Plus you'll get to know some
of the
>guys before you get on the air, and know where they hang out. Pick slow
ones at
>first, then as you get better push yourself to copy faster fists. Also,
monitor the

>W1AW code practive sessions, listed monthly in QST. Fridays are good once
you get
>up to 18 wpm, because of the news, solar flux reports, and contest news.
Mainly,
>relax and enjoy yourself, each time you pick up a new letter, word, or
phrase you
>will smile with a genuine sense of accomplishment. The program Super morse
is
>good. Personally, I found the tapes boring, and easily memorized. Also,
you get
>used to hearing 1 fist and one set of conditions, which is not the real
world. On
>your way to work, whistle or sing the code as you read roadsigns. Start
thinking in
>code. You'll really be surprised how fast you pick it up. All it takes
is. . . are
>you ready for this?. .. . . . practice. Nobody is born with the code in
their
>head. All these thousands of operators have learned it one letter at a
time. It
>may take a week or two, maybe longer for some, but when you get done, and
you can
>copy 10 to 20 wpm, you will be in a group of people that didn't sit on
their hands
>and whine "I can't", you'll be in the group that DID. Nothing ventured
nothing
>gained. Anybody can whine and plead for mercy and sell themselves short.
A few get
>up and get on the ball and try to learn something new. It forestalls
senility to
>learn you know. And, after all, isn't amateur radio a hobby?? Shouldn't
it be
>challenging?? Who, and what kind of character would such a person have,
would want
>to join a hobby that offers NO challenges and no sense of
accomplishment????
>KB9IWS Stephen L. Eagle
>
>Brian Riordan wrote:
>
>> On 25 Jan 1998 05:53:32 GMT, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768) wrote:
>>
>> >Hey all-
>> >I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes.
They are
>> >doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful
hints?
>> >I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the
testing
>> >policy already!

>> >Just maybe some association-games or memorization methods would help me
out. I
>> >would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get
that
>> >much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
>> >Hope you can help,
>> >Mike in MO.
>> I used the Gordon West tapes to learn the code, and the ARRL ones to
>> get up to about 15wpm. The ARRL ones have a lot of really silly
>> sentences with long words, that make it hard for you to guess what is
>> coming next. They also have some almost random runs that were really
>> hard for me to copy, but they helped out a lot.
>>
>> If you use a computer program, don't just listen to the QSO's. I did
>> this and got lazy, and would just listen for the words that were
>> randomly chosen. Try something like the words spelled backwards
>> option (on Super Morse, other programs probably have something
>> similar.), or classified ads you've entered (if you can enter text to
>> be sent). If you do this, listening to a QSO when you take the test
>> will be much easier.
>>
>> Good luck,
>> Brian
>> KJ7VN
>
>
>

2447. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ccce13.438318609@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180579

On 26 Jan 1998 10:03:05 GMT, yrac@aol.com (Yrac) wrote:
>> that means changing the minds of the radio amateurs who ultimately
>>set ARRL policy, IE its paying customers.
>
>ARRL is controlled by "members", not "customers". Of course members have a say
>in electing officials and making policy. But, back to the subject:

Like any enterprise, the ARRL is ultimately driven by solvency, and that depends on satisfying its customer base. Whether you call them members or subscribers or publications purchasers makes no real difference. They are paying customers. And when the opinions and behavior of the paying customers change, the ARRL scrambles to catch up and tries to appear as if it were out front on the particular issue all along. Of course that has been quite transparent to any rational person with a knowledge of their prior positions, and is one reason the ARRL's membership is a declining percentage of licensed amateurs. You only have to look at the history of the organization over the last three decades to see that.

>>Since the ARRL certainly isn't
>>going to make any meaningful efforts to publish views opposing its policies,
>>that leaves forums like this for use in that effort.
>
>If you want to hear yourself "preach", in the hope that everyone will be
>impressed with your viewpoint, go on....and on....and on.

As the FCC has said repeatedly, they aren't going to act in this matter against what they perceive are the wishes of the amateur community. In the past, that has meant whatever the ARRL tells them is the wish of the amateur community. That's changing today. The ARRL has less of a stranglehold on mass communications to amateurs through which to mold opinion and manufacture consent. This means that there are now other venues through which the opinion of the amateur community may be led to support reform. It is essential that a majority of the amateur community be impressed by our viewpoint before we can enact needed change. These newsgroups are one of several forums where a large segment of the amateur community can be reached.

>Since you apparently did not understand my original post, let me put it another
>way: It strikes me as trying to sell ice to Eskimos, or sand to the Arabs.

Then you obviously don't understand how popular opinion is shaped. Public policy debate is a critical component of shaping opinion. It is most effective when your opponents make themselves appear to be unreasoning luddites. And fortunately, there are a large number of that sort in the pro-Morse testing contingent here. I keep a file from which I regularly forward the choicest gems to the appropriate people. People

like Richard Carroll and Larry Roll have been most helpful in that
regard. A number of lesser lights have as well.

>If you are too lazy to look up the names and e-mail addresses of those who can
>make a difference in the CW requirements (or any other issue), then feel free
>to post as much as you want to the NG. Those who don't want to hear any more
>can filter out the participants by screen name or subject lines.

In fact I am in almost weekly contact with FCC staffers and Commission
members (I was on the phone with my favorite Commissioner just this
morning), and have done so since 1981 when the FCC first raised the
issue of reform. I like to think that I had some impact on the reform of
Tech licensing through my formal and informal contacts with the agency.
That they quoted some of my comments verbatim in the final order lends
credence to that belief.

I keep in touch with some ARRL officials, and officials of other amateur
organizations (I'm a member of several of our national organizations),
and I maintain informal contacts with a number of domestic political
operators with influence in this area, IE staffers of members of the
House and Senate committees responsible for telecommunications
issues.

I also maintain informal contact on a regular basis with certain staff
members of some other nations' telecommunications authorities,
and with certain members of some other national amateur organizations.
If you think that all I do is post to usenet, you are sadly mistaken. But
it is one useful forum for shaping the amateur community's opinions
with regard to licensing reform, and also serves as gist for those gems
which tend to shape opinions of policymakers.

In the matter of Tech licensing reform, comments ran 9 to 1 against,
but it was mostly the tenor of the comments of those who were against
which helped carry the day. Irrational emotionalism and poor cognitive
skills tend to have that sort of unwitting impact. I have that direct
from staffers whose job it was to read them and then formulate the
position the Commission would take.

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2448. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCE2A3.9DD163C2@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180580

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <19980124183101.NAA13379@ladder01.news.aol.com>, yodoc@aol.com
> (Yo
> Doc) writes:
>
> >Curtis:
>
> The secret sign and handshake cannot be divulged over an
> unsecured
> >communications media. Tune in to 14.058 MHz,
> and request same from any
> >FISTS member on that
> frequency. They can give it to you there, since it
> >would then
> be safe from the prying ears of no-coders.
>
> That's right. Nobody else would think of owning an SWL receiver, would
> they?

Thanks Yo Doc, that one missed CB Dumbo by a mile. I guess that proves the system works..

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2449. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cce1da.443382199@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180581

On Sun, 25 Jan 1998 21:00:36 -0700, Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
wrote:
>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
>> >recordings?
>> >In Maryland a recording is leagal only if both parties agree to tape a
>> >conversation, B I N G O !!!
>>
>> I sincerely doubt this, since it would render any covert law-enforcement action
>> impossible. Even if it were true, it doesn't matter. Star operates under federal
>> law. Federal law preempts state or local law.
>
>Three points of interest here:
>
>1) Federal law does preempt state law in cases where the Constitution
>specifically addresses the issue. The Constitution does not address the
>issue of radio or telephony. Reference the Tenth Amendment.

The Supremes have interpreted the Constitution differently, witness
federal preemption in the case of radio and telephony, examples include
PRB-1, and most recently carried so far as to even preempt private
covenants with regard to small satellite dishes and broadcast TV outdoor
antennas.

>2) Law enforcement may obtain court permission to make recordings that
>would otherwise be illegal. This actually is germane to amateur radio in
>a way. The Telecommunications Act of 1934, and subsequent Federal and
>state laws make it illegal to repeat to any other person what you hear
>on non-broadcast frequencies. Thus, if Newt had been talking on 40
>meters, about some illegal activity, such a tape would be inadmissable
>in court.

Actually that was the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. But
amendments include the ECPA which makes monitoring, taping, or
rebroadcast of certain classes of radio transmissions, including
amateur, perfectly legal while totally outlawing monitoring of certain
other classes of radio communications, notably cellular phone.

>3) Kenneth Starr may be operating under Federal law, but he is still
>compelled to obey state law, and if he asked Tripp to make these
>recordings, he may have violated the law of MD or VA, or wherever the
>hell it was.

Unfortunately for your argument, federal law is held superior to state
and local law. It is subservient only to treaties and the Constitution
itself. The Supremes have so ruled, and theirs is the final word on

all things legal in this country.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2450. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CCF66D.D6B05A20@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180582

Nat Heatwole wrote:

> Hello. Earlier today I passed my Novice Ham Radio license. The written
> part wasn't very hard, but I did struggle with the code a little. But I
> was able to make it out and I passed the 10 questions part of the code
> test. My question is, is there a way for me to increase my code speed up
> to 13 WPM? I hope to take my General class license soon and right now I
> can barly do 5. I copied about 50% of the code tape correctly and some of
> it was a little sloppy.

Well, as said by others you can continue to build up your speed with the computer program but don't overlook the fun method. Get a station on the air and start working some cw contacts. Then it is not as much work as it is fun.

Congratulations Nat!!!!

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2451. Re: FCC Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: bbwb@wonder.net
Message-ID: <6aiua5hnj1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 180583

Go to

http://www.arrl.org/fcc/fccld.html

type in your last name and it should pop up. Took my upgrade test on Jan 17 and the FCC log shows it was acted on on Jan 23. So if as another poster stated, that your VEC team submitted the results by modem, your call sign should be there. Congratulations and good luck.

2452. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aiusljpv2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

wnewkirk@iu.net says,

>>Just what we need...more radio cops who go crying to the government every
>time
>>somebody says a dirty word on the air.
>
>yeah. it's got the "witch hunt" smell on it. in this age of forgery, i
>would think it
>possible to create "evidence" to make a case.
>
>not everything that plays on commercial broadcast may be suitable for use
>in a two-way radio service. i believe the courts would agree.

There's only one solution for such a problem: change the frequency or hit
the "off" switch if you don't like what you hear.

Besides, does the FCC have different rules regarding profanity for different
radio services? Is there one set for broadcast stations and another set for
two-way stations? If so, I'd like to see some clarification.

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com for a "worst-case" scenario *
****

2453. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6agk1shug1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180611

Gdfthr768 <gdfthr768@aol.com> wrote:
> Hey all-
> I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes. They are
> doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful hints?
> I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the testing
> policy already!
> Just maybe some association-games or memorization methods would help me out. I
> would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get that
> much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
> Hope you can help,
> Mike in MO.

Welcome aboard, for a long watch at the key. I hope its joys and fraternity
will be with you all of your days.

There are two things that you must do to learn the code. They are very
simple, in reality, but sadly, most folks go to all the trouble first,
and learn the art after the fact.

The first thing that you must do is learn the patterns, at speed.
You need to train your ear and neural system to recognize the discrete
patterns of the code. For most folks that is pretty easy, but for
some it can be rather difficult to get the ``hang'' of it.
What is required is to learn the patterns of ``sound'' (not mental
crutches or tricks) and their corresponding characters. That can
be done in a couple of days to a couple of weeks for a speed of say
5-7 wpm. In this phase, you are merely doing the rote association
of a sound with its character. That is usually the easy part.
Next comes the pushing of the speed to train the ear to recognize
the patterns at speed. That is a little more difficult, because
you must push yourself to do this at increasing speeds. Many
folks can hear it fine, once they get the letters and sound patterns
learned, but some folks can't, because of hearing or other problems.
Most can, though. We have had YL's come in with their HAM feller,
and wind up learning the code very quickly, because they learned it
at speed rather than bumping slowly up the ladder. There seems to
be a speed around 22-25 wpm, that this maxes out at. But, up to
that 22 or so wpm, you should be able to rachet up the speed and
still hear the characters. As you rachet up the speed, you must
practice and practice and practice, as the old saying goes. Some
folks can do it in a week or two, most take several months, and a
few never seem to be able to train themselves to make the associations
at speed. The idea is to force yourself to pick up and register the
character patterns at speed. Don't waste time at 10wpm or 13wpm
or 15wpm but go on to 20, right from the start. You may be amazed

at what your ear will actually hear at that speed and faster.
After practice at 20-22wpm, then drop down to 13wpm and it seems like
a liesurely walk in the park. The only way to get there is to
practice. There are NO shortcuts, regardless of what the folks
will try to sell you. The crutches that they sell you are only good
to a certain point and then are less than optimal, at best. Crutches
are fine for 5 wpm, and they may get you to 13wpm to pass the test,
but, they are no substitute for the actual learning of the sounds
at speed. Once you have learned the sounds at speed, then you
can embark on the most important thing you must do.... step 2.
Once you have learned the sounds at speed, you are a bit like
a trained automaton, but without the humanity that is required.
I expect even the faster computers can do this kind of thing,
relatively well, under optimum conditions. Folks seem to tell
me that they can, but, there is more to being a CWist than just
being the computer end of it.

The second step is what you will carry along with you the rest
of your life. That involves the building of a practical working
linguistic CW vocabulary, at speed. This is the place where most
folks seem to fall apart. There is a certain minimal linguistic
vocabulary that you need to become conversant as a CWist. Without
that, you are merely the trained monkey. Take a paper and write
down the 200 most common words that you are likely to use in ham
radio on the air. 200 words is about the minimum that works.
Then you must learn that vocabulary, at speed. Just like you
learned the sound of ``words'' as a baby, you need to do it again,
as a CWist. Most of what you exchange on the air, unless actually
pushing traffic down the line, can be said in about 1000 words.
If you have a 200 word working vocabulary, then that is about the
minimum that will get you going effectively. In this phase, you
are not merely listening to the individual letter patterns, but
are listening to the entire word patterns. But, to use it, you
must be able to recognize the entire words, at speed. Do a sort
on the list by length, and learn them that way. Learn them until
they don't sound like individual letters, but sound like entire
words. Again, that takes practice and practice and practice.
Get a simple cw sending program and generate the code to listen
by, or make tapes of it that way. Keep the speed up at around
20 wpm, minimally (a range of 20-25 will do). Don't ratchet the
speed down, but keep it at that rate. Send that sorted list
with 5 repeats per line of each word, until the entire list is
sent, and learned. Repeat until learned. Once you get the hang
of it, it becomes easy. Some folks do this naturally, some don't.
I expect it has to do with how the brain is wired, neurologically.
But, without learning that vocabulary, you may have a difficult
time, getting beyond about that magic 13wpm. At this time, you
will be getting into the learning to copy behind approach. That
involves buffering the input into the brain until a whole word
is there, and then consciously processing it. The old stories

of telegraphers on the line, sippin' a cup of mud, reading a book, chatting with the folks at the window, and not missing a beat, are based upon the ability of some folks to develop that vocabulary and buffer so that they can copy as much as a line behind or more.

It takes a trained ear to hear the characters at speed.

It takes a learned vocabulary to use the words at speed.

Do both, and it will be a joy to you for all of your days.

Good luck.

73/ZUT DE NA4G/Bob UP

2454. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6agkmn$spk@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180612
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <6advq8$mfb@jupiter.planet.net>,
> Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote:

>>So when did the editors of those magazines vote and pass the
>>changes needed? Seems to me MD misses the reality of the
>>situation in that it was the FCC that made the change happen
>>and no one else.

>Well Bill, if this is the case, then why all your belly-aching here
>about a codeless HF license? Seems to me that if expression of your
>opinion publically is irrelevant, since only the FCC will make change
>happen, that you should be spending all of your time writing to the
>FCC and none of your time posting to USENET about the glorious benefits
>of a codeless HF license.

MD misses the point. Of course the FCC is the ultimate arbiter
of any decision...and the more support out there the better. That
still doesn't change the fact that the editors of magazines MAY have
championed the nocode tech license AND may have even
speculated on what it might do, they (the editors) owed no
one any promise tht such end results would be guaranteed.
Additionally, the FC sure didn't either.

>>Seems that if there wasn't a codeless tech license we'd have far
>>less hams than we do now.

>Hmmm. So, is your sole criteria "bodies"? What else can we do to
>ham radio to increase the number of bodies? Lesseeee... If we gave
>away licenses in boxes of Fruit-Loops and Frosted Flakes, we'd get
>a lot more "young people" in the hobby! Yeah, that's the ticket.

More MD bull. NO ONE is proposing giving away free
licenses. I have stated over and over again that, all that I
see as the rational to end code testing is the simple fact that
there is NO compelling reason anymore to retain it. There'
absolutely no reason today to require all HF hams to know
morse.

>>Additionally, I recall no one saying
>>we'd have hoardes of high tech types coming in.

>Revisionism in action. Go back and re-read the editorials and letters
>from the mid-80's to 1988 in QST and other magazines.

So a couple of editors made such statements. Do they speak
for all hams?

>>That's more a problem (IMO) with a code requirement today than
>>with nocode.

>There is no evidence to support your assertion. Only your personal bias
>woven into a "crisis" for ham radio.

I have first hand knowledge of competent technical people
who would be good hams, but have no time to do the code
requirement. That's sufficient evidence for me.

>>Hey Mike, in other posts you say people are upgrading which
>>is why there are more extras today than a year ago. Which is it.

>The fact that there is a reasonable percentage of people upgrading
>beyond codeless tech is irrelevant to the fact that the license is a
>"dead end" license. It was specifically created for people who don't
>want HF access. It represents the one and only license class that the
>majority of people holding it will ever have.

The tech license has always been somewhat that way, even
before the codeless tech was created. I was a tech for
about 30 years. Many others were also.

>>Once again, MD tries to taint the nocode TEST group by
>>ignoring that many of us ARE coded hams with higher than
>>tech licenses.

>So? Its just the same crowd from the mid 80's.

Such as who?

>>Bure unadulterated trash. MD wants you to believe that the
>>nocode TEST group wants to BAN CW. That is bull and
>>he knows it. There hasn't been a single post from anyone that
>>would even appear to want that.

>The pure, hate-filled vitrol posted by the No-Code Agenda Poster Boy,
>Carl Stevenson -- his disdane for anyone who enjoys operating CW, his
>open hatred against older hams, all available for anyone to read by
>visiting DejaNews -- is more than enough circumstantial evidence to
>show that the true motives of some (not all) of those involved in the
>No-Code Agenda is to completely ban CW from amateur operation.

Well Carl may be ONE, and there can certainly be some, but your
branding the entire group as you did originally is still bull.

>>The reality is that neither I nor anyone else posting
>>here in support of ending code testing has promised MD or
>>anyone else anything as regards the nocode tech license.

>More backpedaling.... Kind of like Bill Clinton: "err, I never had sexual
>relations with that intern" (of course, since Clinton doesn't consider
>oral sex to be 'sexual relations', he believes he is 'telling the truth'.)

>In a similar vein, Bill Sohl claims "I never promised you anything".
>Well, he is right -- he never did. Of course, the movement which he is
>part of, that he identifies with -- did promise certain things.

Please find even one such example. Just who promised what?
MD keeps saying that but I still see no such examples other
than vague references to past QST editorials...as if the editor
of QST had any power to fullfill such a promise.

>>MD also ignors again the large expansion
>>of the Novice and Tech question pools in July of 97.

>Double nothing is still nothing.

That sure says a lot about MDs attitude and willingness
to effect any meaningful change rather than just bitch about
the size and type of questions.

>>>There is no resistance to change in amateur radio. Amateur radio is many
>>>things to many people. Some like EME, some like CW.
>>
>>To bad MD doesn't believe what he writes in terms of appropriate
>>test requirements.

>Bill Sohl ignores numerous postings from myself where I publically
>state that I openly support "mode-based testing", where individuals are
>only tested in those modes they wish to operate.

And MD knows full well that such mode testing is neither needed
nor ever likly to become a reality. Supporting that which has no
probability of coming about is always easy.

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2455. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6aglgg$spk@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180613

yrac@aol.com (Yrac) wrote:
>> All in all the idea that Morse is maintained by law, noit because some
>>hams wish it, is as big a lie as Hilter's claims that the WW2 started
>>because Poland attacked Germany.
>>Mark Morgan

>Yrac responds:

>97.503 Element Standards
>(a) a telegraphy examination must be sufficient to prove that the examinee has
>the ability to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in
>the international Morse code at not less than the prescribed speed, using all
>the letters of the alphabet, numerals 0-9, period, comma, question mark, slant
>mark and prosigns AR, BT and SK.*

>*For sending test requirements, see 97.509(d).

>I stand by my original post. (1) The Code requirement is presently is required
>because of the law. (2) If someone feels strongly about the Morse code
>requirements as they pertain to Amateur radio, it will do much more good to
>spend time and words directed toward those who can make a difference, rather
>than writing long, repetitive articles on the newsgroup.

If you simply expect those of us in support of ending code to
go away, then you are in for a long wait. The purpose of
writing here (long or short articles) is to continue the discussion
and bring it to the many that do read this newsgroup.

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2456. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6agkt9$spk@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180614
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:

>In article <34CA325D.84C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>>No-code-test folk want fewer regulations.

>Pro-code folk want fewer regulations too. Pro-code folk also want those
>regulations that exist to be adhered to.

Has anyone suggested or condoned not following the regulations
in place today? Answer...NO. The No-Code Test folks are
simply trying to have the regulations LEGALLY changed as is
the right of all people in this country.

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2457. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29f0$735545a0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180615
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6agbfg$5lq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <34CB4B1F.2B7C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
> >Why do you continue to make the mistake of using the
> >totally inaccurate expression, "No-Code Agenda"?
>
> As the person who invented the phrase "No-Code Agenda" (if you don't believe
> me, go look it up in the DejaNews archives), I believe it is my right to also
> create its definition.

In other words, Mikey feels he has the right to lie and distort the facts
in any manner which suits HIS agenda ... which is putting down anyone who
expresses the view that code testing has outlived its time.

> he No-Code Agenda is a catch-all phrase defining
> people who adhere to an anti-cw philosophy. Anti-CW might include people
> like yourself and Bill Sohl, who want to eliminate a code examination,
> and others like Carl Stevenson and Len Anderson, who want to ban the use
> of CW on amateur bands completely.

More lies ... I've never said that ... I've specifically disavowed that
goal ... and I've never seen Len state that goal either ... more MD lies
and fabrication. The man can't be trusted for an instant.

> The term "No-Code Agenda" only conveys a "banning CW" message to those
> with guilty consciences.

No, Mike ... it's the spin that you put on it that conveys a (false) "ban
CW message" ... however, that message/"goal" ONLY exists in the distorted
falsehoods that come from your mind, not in the real world.

> >Why not use the accurate expression, "no-code-test agenda"?
>
> Because that expression is not accurate.

It certainly IS ... anything else is an MD lie/fabrication.

> >Isn't using the expression "No-Code Agenda" just as bad as the other side
using
> >the expression "Pro-Code Nazi"?
>
> Absolutely not. I'm sure you recognize the definition of the term "agenda".
> That is very different from personalizing the definition and calling someone
> a "Nazi". "Pro-Code Nazi" would be akin to me using the term "No-Code Nazi".
>

>
> >Both expressions are inaccurate and designed
> >to elicit an emotional response instead of rational thought.
>
> I do not believe the term "No-Code Agenda" elicits emotional responses,
> any more than calling it "No-Code-Test Agenda" would. An agenda is a plan,
> a set of goals to accomplish, a set of ideas to promote. While the term
> "No-Code-Test Agenda" might better describe people like Bill Sohl, it
> does not accurately describe all people who profess anti-CW views in this
> newsgroup.

Perhaps we should start talking about Mike's "NO TRUTH AGENDA" ... that
would ACCURATELY describe Mike's agenda and "M.O."

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2458. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd29f1$710d5c00$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180616
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Bill Sohl <billsohl@planet.net> wrote in article
<6agkmn$spk@jupiter.planet.net>...
> >kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>Bill Sohl wrote:
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> >visiting DejaNews -- is more than enough circumstantial evidence to
> >show that the true motives of some (not all) of those involved in the
> >No-Code Agenda is to completely ban CW from amateur operation.
>
> Well Carl may be ONE, and there can certainly be some, but your
> branding the entire group as you did originally is still bull.

Bill ... please don't let Mike sell his "Carl wants to ban CW
from the ham bands" lies to you ... I have repeatedly stated
that I would not seek, nor would I support, any attempt to ban
the voluntary use of Morse by anyone anywhere in the ham bands.

Mike spouts LOTS of lies and altered posts designed to make it
look like folks said things they didn't say ... please don't
buy into his lies just because he repeats them so often. Brand
him as the liar he is and ignore the lies no matter how often
he repeats them, for a lie is still a lie, no matter how often
it's repeated.

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2459. Re: *** Spam on Packets ***

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cbdd71.4436122@news.total.net>
Source record: 180617
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.digital

On Mon, 19 Jan 1998 18:54:38 -0600, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:

>Yes, they are screening - as the sysop's spare time permits. This is
>why packet is slower than snail mail - if the packet ever gets through
>at all.
>Brian/N0iMD

and don't forget... our enemy, e-mail is faster...

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2460. Re: Can I use a power supply as a trickle-charger?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6agmh2$j1s$1@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180618

Christopher (Chris) W. Boone <cboone@earthlink.net> wrote:
> A trickle charger SHOULD be a constant voltage charger....that is
> the VOLTAGE remains constant even when the load current changes..

Not necessarily. Much can be said for properly proportioned constant current charging even in trickle installations. It is not routinely done, because it is easier to design voltage regulation chargers rather than current limited ones, for the general masses.

> Wall warts are NOT constant voltage by design...the voltage decreases
> as the current drawn increases.....(simple resistor drop or
> just a xmfr and rectifier...no voltage control)

Wall warts are miminal charging devices at best. I would build my own, instead (and do). I build special battery chargers based upon radio designs from the 1920's. Batteries have not really changed since those days. They are built better and packaged better, but the chemistry has mostly not changed. A current limited charger using the battery voltage times 3 or 4 with a properly proportioned current limiting resistor is ideal, and will always properly charge the battery, if you set it for the right current requirements for floating, standby, or cyclic modes. Nothing mystical about it.

> To keep a wet cell from overcharging (or boiling dry), the charger
> should be well regulated....a 12V PS can be used if it meets such
> regulation requirments

Not necessarily. The regulation, per se, has little to do with the battery charging. There are many instances where improperly regulating a battery at voltages too low, can cause the battery to never fully recharge, just as setting the voltage to high for long periods of time will outgas the battery under overcharge. The battery goes flat, and folks think they have outgassed them until the electrolyte is gone, when actually they are never fully recharged.

>....With the battery fully charged (and a fully
> charged wet cell battery for 12V DC uses 6 cells, each capable of
> 2.2 Volts), the voltage should be about 13 volts.

That depends. You must consider the load drawn from the battery, the required charging current and time, AND the amount of specified overcharge the battery must have. Those things are often only found in the manufacturers tables, but sometimes are in the literature with the battery or stenciled on the battery. Without those values, you have to compute the load you use and the required charge per unit

time to keep the battery fresh, even in floating stationary installation.

> Set the power supply
> at 13.0 Volts (not 13.8!) if it has a diode protected output (a diode
> in the power supply that will not allow the battery to discharge
> back thru the supply if the AC goes off)...If the supply does
> not have such a diode, you need to install one inline on the supply
> output feeding the battery and radio...it MUST be capable of
> handling the MAX current required by the battery OR the radio which
> ever is highest....then set voltage on the BATTERY side of the diode
> for 13.2, attach battery and radio.....(when battery is fully charged,
> and radio is not turned on, the supply should show ZERO amp current
> draw)

Mostly correct, but I would differ with you in the current that the battery should be taking in, in stationary use. A proper floating charge is never zero. In the literature I have seen it will usually be in the neighborhood of C/200 to C/400 in value, but never zero. If it is zero, the battery will never fully recharge, and slowly begin to sulfate up, after some use. I think this is where many folks get the ``dead battery'' after just a short use as opposed to overcharging them to the point where the electrolyte is burned off by outgassing under overcharge. You will need to consult the manufacturers ratings, but for a battery of say 100 ampere hour capacity, it needs to have a charge of around 100/400 or 1/4 ampere applied to it continuously to overcome chemical degradation of the cells. If that is not done, it will require a topping off charge (around C/20 to C/50) periodically (every 3 to 6 months) to prevent degradation, and occasionally a full cyclic discharge/charge at the normal cyclic charge rate of C/7 x 120 percent. The extra 20% is the overcharge needed to fully bring a discharged battery up to charged state. If you forget to factor in the overcharge required, your battery will go flat. Underregulating the voltage will cause it to go flat. I would trust C/400 actually measured for the particular battery rather than arbitrarily using 13.0 or 13.8 or whatever volts to charge with. That has always worked for me.

Always use the reverse current protection, especially if using a regulated power supply, because the regulation transistors will fry with backcurrent if the power supply is turned off and the battery is still connected. That is not absolutely required with unregulated power supplies, but is still a good idea.

If you manage your batteries well, they can serve you many years. I have been running the same set of 105 ampere hour batteries for almost 20 years, and they just keep on ticking, if I take care of them (main shack batteries used generally, on field day, and for emergency). On floating charge, others of mine have been going for about 8 years, with no problem (standby lighting batteries).

Good luck, but use the proper charging values, whatever the installation requires for the particular battery used.

Bob/NA4G

> Chris
> WB5ITT

> CBRambo wrote:
> >
> > Just hooked up a small utility battery (170 CCA) to power one of my radios here
> > in the house. Radio draws about 7A peak on transmit, and this seems to work
> > well. Planning on wiring in a trickle-charger (1-2A), and leaving it plugged
> > in to assure the battery always has a full charge. Wal-mart sells these for
> > $16.95. Apppears to be nothing more than a wall wart type power supply with
> > 120VAC in and 12VDC out @ 1A. I have several wall warts in my "junk box" with
> > the same specs. Can I simply cut off the plug, attatch the wires, and use
> > these? Or is there something "special" inside the trickle-charger that makes
> > it more appropriate for battery-charging applications?
> >
> > "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> > "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2461. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Robert D. Keys" <rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu>
Message-ID: <6agnvd$j1s$2@uni00nw.unity.ncsu.edu>
Source record: 180619
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In rec.radio.amateur.policy Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
> On 18 Jan 1998 22:30:31 GMT, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:

> >In article <34C1779E.1B8E@icss.net>, Brian <burkefam@icss.net> wrote:
> >>(He doesn't seem to know that CW was invented and used when SSB was
> >>unheard of, or far too valuable to use routinely. It was much easier to
> >>beep on CW than to speak on SSB.)
> >
> >You've got that a bit backwards, Brian. It took the invention of the
> >triode tube (~1919) for CW (continuous wave transmission) to come
> >about, yet SSB was being experimented with over the telephone lines as
> >early as 1915.

> De Forest patented the triode in 1906. But the first CW stations used
> alternators because early vacuum tubes weren't capable of the power
> levels needed. Armstrong invented the regenerative receiver in 1912,
> the same year Pickard invented the crystal detector. Prior to 1912,
> most receivers used coherers, bolometers, or electrolytic detectors,
> though Fleming's diode valve was available.

They used alternators and arcs (Poulsen's arc converter from about
1910 based upon early work of Duddell about 1900 if I am remembering
right, today). It was used as a LO for reception, also.

> But I'm curious how SSB was generated without a CW LO and how
> it was translated back to baseband without a CW LO in 1915. That
> doesn't seem possible, the generator equations require a coherent
> source. And alternators and vacuum tubes were both available in
> 1915 to supply one.

Vacuum tubes were available in 1914, commercially, to some extent
and the GE/WECO folks used them in early repeaters for telephone
use. Early oscillator experiments were done about 1914 with
work by Hartley, Colpitts, and others. Some of the early work
can be found in the GE/Bell/Electrician journals of the period,
but it is a little hard to find. I would love to see Hartley's
or Colpitt's notes from that era. Early work used Duddell's
arc or Poulsen's arc for the LO source, in addition to the
vacuum tube. Such LO's were called ``external heterodynes''
and were actually the first direct conversion receivers (contrary
to what hams believe in it being a 50's/60's invention) which were
called ``heterodynes''. The Navy experimented with a few such
receivers in about 1914 and they were generally poor. In WWII
it formed the basis for the excellent RBA LF receiver.

> Of course wireless voice transmission pre-dates use of Morse
> by wireless. Nathan B. Stubblefield was transmitting voice in
> 1873 and performed a demonstration before Congress in hopes
> of getting funding to deploy the system for the Navy. He was
> asking for $30,000, but he didn't get it, even though he successfully
> demonstrated wireless voice transmission between a shore station
> and a ship on the Potomac over a distance of 5 miles. Ironically,
> this was the same year Hertz was doing his experiments with UHF
> signals that got him official credit for the discovery of radio waves.

I would like to look that up. Can you cite a reference for it?
Also, one Dr. Mahlon Loomis was attributed to have done some wireless
experiments across mountaintops in Virginia, around the same time.
His daughter was the president/founder(?) of a radio school in D.C.
and had a neat early radio course book dating from 1925 or so that
details some of it (c.f. Loomis, M.T., 1925, Radio Operating.).

> Gary
> Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
> 534 Shannon Way | We break it |
> Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

73 DE NA4G/Bob UP

2462. Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Nat Heatwole <heatwole@shell.clark.net>
Message-ID: <6agsio$qcr@clarknet.clark.net>
Source record: 180620

Hello. Earlier today I passed my Novice Ham Radio license. The written part wasn't very hard, but I did struggle with the code a little. But I was able to make it out and I passed the 10 questions part of the code test. My question is, is there a way for me to increase my code speed up to 13 WPM? I hope to take my General class license soon and right now I can barly do 5. I copied about 50% of the code tape correctly and some of it was a little sloppy.

I learned code by first studing the letters and then using a code program on my computer to get it up to 5. Should I use the same computer program and just slowly move up the speed until I get up to 13? Or is there a better method? If you have any suggestions on this please let me know. Thanks a lot in advance!

Nat Heatwole
heatwole@clark.net

2463. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025601.VAA28404@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180621

In article <34cb9f81.242042008@news.abilene.com>, paul@actiontel.com (Paul Bilberry) writes:

>operated by cb lids. A lid is a lid.

BTW, with all of the worry regarding
>new ham recruits, does not
everyone realize that 11 meters is probably the
>most fertile grounds
for ham recruits?

Paul
N5DUP

You are right. Paul. I have touched on this subject myself. There are a lot of CBers who are only in need of a bit of education to make fine ham ops out of them. Most CBers like 11 meters because they genuinely like communicating over the air or are fascinated with little boxes that allow them to do so. Many, with no technical experience or reference material at all, perform quite valid experiments with antennas, feedlines, ground systems, etc. On my brief forays onto 11 meters I was impressed by the curiosity of some of the CBers I met, and hopefully I and others like me have motivated a few to take up our hobby. By and large, most of the lids on 11 are the way they are only through ignorance, not through malice. Maybe we ought to have a CB contest! We could require at least a 10 minute QSO for points, and round-table discussions on technical topics could be multipliers. I see no reason other than the cost of a cheap CB and prejudice against CBers why it could not happen. In fact, can't you still legally homebrew a crystal controlled rig for CB? AM is not as simple as CW, but it's still pretty easy.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2464. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025601.VAA26944@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180622

In article <19980124151638838O2@zetnet.co.uk>, jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
writes:

>Maybe we need two ways of getting onto HF, either CW or a higher
class exam,
>whatever is decided something must be done soon because
without the new
>blood we are doomed. So we must attract the
youngsters and stop arguing
>amongst ourselves as lack of new hams
will kill amateur radio far quicker
>than forcing them to learn CW.

73s

Jon M1CCK

More opportunities for long-haul comms on the high bands would ease the pressure too. I think DSP is really gonna start making a bigger impact on EME, and as technology improves we will have pre-amps with lower noise figures that will also help make EME possible with more modest power levels and equipment costs. The new satellites will help too. When a newly licensed ham can make a transatlantic contact with an HT, demands on HF use by no-coders will abate somewhat. I don't think VHF, UHF, or higher spectra are being utilized at anywhere near their potential, but maybe we are on the right track. Simplifying the building or buying of gear for more exotic modes that simply are not possible on HF could help too. A $300 24GHz handie-lookie ATV rig, anybody?

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2465. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA28411@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180623

In article <19980125142700.JAA04493@ladder01.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
A real bright bulb, isn't he? Typical of the school of thought advanced by
>the
old, white men at the ARRL. Ham radio will not survive if these fossils
>are
allowed to continue to call the shots.

"Where's that big 'ol CB
>RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Well, Drew, at least you're consistent. Every time I see a post like this, I look at the head or the sig and.... there you are. You could do a lot of good for the hobby if you directed all this energy into a more productive outlet, like elmering new Tech Pluses.

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2466. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA26950@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180624

In article <34cb77db.0@news.valinet.com>, kba6662@fpmjr@valinet.com writes:

>Morse code!?!..really, why don't we all just demand the
major car
>manufacturer's revert back to the model-T.

Actually, not a bad idea. With todays advanced casting and machining know-how, Detroit couldd probably turn one out brand new for under four grand with much tighter tolerances than the original. The average shade-tree mechanic could keep it running without a big-ol' computer analyzer, too. The only things that would really need updating are the hand-throttle and manual spark advance. Well, I guess seat belts would be a good idea too, and complying with emission standards would require some changes. Otherwise, good for everybody except the manufacturers, who wouldn't think well of a product that only needs replacing about once in a generation, or drivers who simply MUST drive 70 MPH because they don't have sense enough to leave early enough to get where they are going on time.

Henry Ford meant for the model T to be the car for the ordinary working man... one he could afford to buy and keep in good mechanical condition. Most cars today are basically throw-aways. Things start falling apart about the time the warranty expires. The answer? buy a new one. After all, you had the old one for three whole years already. It's almost paid for, too. Don't be a slacker... support your growth and consumption oriented credit-driven economy. Hurry up and get back in debt

Sometimes, simpler is better. It sure can be cheaper.

Kinda like CW.

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dit diddy-dit dit.........

2467. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA28417@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180625

In article <19980125054901.AAA29814@ladder01.news.aol.com>, gdfthr768@aol.com (Gdfthr768) writes:

>
Jim Kehler wrote, in a past posting:
"...And remember... 5wpm is NO
>CODE...."
Now, I'm just starting to learn the code because I love
>SWLing/CBing, and want
to get on HF. I want, like most of you, to talk in
>voice or CW and go around
the world making friends and great DX "hits". So I
>WILL learn the damn code,
because "dem's da rules" right now, and because I
>love radio.
But my problem with Jim's statement (and I'm sure he's a good
>fella) is that I
have to learn in steps, and if I can get myself to 5wpm you
>can be damn sure
that I WON'T think of it as NO CODE! I hope to hell that
>most hams do NOT think
of 5wpm as no code. If that's how newcomers are looked
>upon, it's a shame.
It won't scare me away at all, I'm a big kid and can
>fight 'till I'm accepted,
and I'm sure I won't have to fight at all, except
>to heighten my code/operating
skills. But doesn't that statement make anyone
>else a little uneasy?
We ALL operate at different levels, particularly when
>learning, and educating
one's self is even more touch and go than schooled
>discipline. So why is "first
grade" seen as a joke? We ALL were in first
>grade once. Give the new guys and
gals a break, please. On my way to 13wpm,
>and 25wpm, and even more, I will at
some point only be as good as 5wpm. On my
>way to knowing all about RTTY and
Packet and how to build my own SSB 20m.
>rig, I will at some point only know
that capacitance is measured in farads
>and resistance in ohms. Who wants to
laugh at a guy trying to learn?

I'll
>laugh all the way to Extra Class, I can assure you. :-)
My opinion only,
Mike
>in MO.

Hang in there, Mike. You got the right idea. I was lucky... my elmers were the two R/Os on my ship, back in the days when we had R/Os. CW was a way of life, not just a quaint aspect of the hobby held either in contempt or nostalgia. My original intent was to use ham radio as a stepping-stone to my commercial radio-telegraph license and USCG R/O license. So, there was never any thought, debate or indecision about code/no-code for my first license, even though the no-code tech was available and getting popular. I did not labor under the discouraging and disparaging voices of nay-sayers the way you have/are, who call CW a counter-productive relic. So, I admire your fortitude in bucking the trend. Hang in there, because the rewards are worth the small effort. We need more hams with your kind of grit.

If you need any help or pointers, let me know. I been there, and while I might not know the best way, I know what worked for me. Meanwhile, 5 WPM IS CODE, and we all had to crawl before we could walk. Some crawl longer than others, but it beats sitting on our duffs. Anybody who doesn't respect your efforts rates my contempt.

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From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
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2468. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA26963@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180626

In article <6ag5la$2kg$1@newsfep3.sprintmail.com>, "blueis"
<blueis@sprintmail.com> writes:

>
HLDL HLDR

BENS BEST BENT WIRE

HI HI vy nice drill. it really sounds neat!

I second everything posted so far, Mike. Don't concentrate too much on the tapes. Download SUPERMORSE. It takes a while to get it set up properly on your computer, but then you have a multitude of different kinds of practice and learning sessions available. I used to run it at a higher speed than I could even come close to copy, on my nearby notebook while I slept. Then, when I got up, I would turn the speed down just a bit and have a very nice practice session. 15 WPM sounds reeeeaaalll slow after going to sleep and waking up to 25 WPM.

Listen to the Random Groups with Supermorse mostly, and an occasional text file when that gets boring. Listen a lot, but don't spend more than 10 minutes at a time seriously trying to copy. 3 or 4 sessions a day, 5 to 10 minutes each are far better than cramming for an hour a day. Meanwhile, jget used to the SOUND of the code. Don't listen to code so slow that you can easily count the dits and dahs, because then that is exactly what you will do. This cripples you when you try to upgrade to general. The mind has a hard time processing code that way at anything over 10 WPM, hence the infamous 'hump". The "Farnsworth" method of learning is a Godsend. The individual characters are sent at a fairly high speed, fast enough that you must learn the sound of the whole character rather than the number of dits and dahs and their order. The spaces between characters and between words are lengthened to make the actual throughput match the nominal codespeed. You thus have plenty of time at first to ask yourself, "now what WAS that character?"

A big advantage to using Farnsworth style timing is that the ARRL VE teams usually use farnsworth code for the exam. for 5 WPM, characters are sent as 18 WPM and the spaces lengthened to make throughput = 5 WPM. Get used to it before you test! General speed is similarly timed, and Extra speed is just straight 20 WPM characters and spacing. It is easy to see how learning Farnsworth style right off the bat will help you upgrade more easily.

SM has a great random QSO generator, and can even give you a randomly generated sample code exam. I suggest that you do not use this feature until you are fairly confident that you can pass the test. The sample exam feature should be used only as a confidence builder the last couple of days before the test.

Occasionally, listen to plain text. After a while, short, commonly used words like "the', "at", 'rig", etc will have a single sound, and you will hear the word rather than the letters that make it up. Do not spend more time on plain text than you do on random groups, though. If you can copy random groups, you can copy anything. That should be your personal benchmark.

There is a "copy behind" feature that asks you to enter a character you heard 2, 3, or 4 characters earlier. There are various head-copy study modes, and they will all challenge you to hear the SOUND of the code.

There are learn mode excercises that are of great help in getting started in the code from scratch. They emphasize a completely audio approach to learning the code that relies not on counting or visual decryption, but on SOUND right from the start. Of course, you are already beyond this point, for better or for worse, but no time like the present to break habits that will slow you down later.

If you seem to be up against a wall and making no progress, give it a break. Stop for a day or two, and then go at it again. Amazing how that works! Above all, don't get burnt out.

my website is http://members.aol.com/RCrusoe/ab5vh.index.html. That is just one of dozens of places where you can download SUPERMORSE. If you need any help and the doc seems vague, drop me an e-mail, and I will be glad to help.

BTW, supermorse got me from zip to 20+ WPM in just a couple of months. I think even though I had a lot of motivation and HAD to get up to 20, it would have taken me a year or more just listening to tapes and on-the-air code. The tapes I found of rather limited usefulness due to the memorization thing. On-the-air code was somewhat better, especially the W1AW broadcasts, but I had to be able to listen by their schedule, not mine. Live QSOs were good for learning operating practices, abbreviations, etc; I would follow along, copying one side and 'send' with an "air key" along with the other station. Still, for learning HOW TO PASS THE EXAM, software is best.

One more thing... there is one way in which code tapes can help you. Get yourself one of those little micro-cassette recorders that use the old-style answering machine cassettes, run the program, and tape the output. use the tape for a day, then record over it. That way, wherever you go you can take your code practice with you, and have a mini-session listening to code sent exactly the way you want/need.

One more one more thing: listen at a speed where you only can copy about 80%, and keep moving up as you gain proficiency. The reasons are two-fold. First of all, in a casual ham QSO as opposed to commercial operating, it is not unusual to be satisfied with 80 or 90% copy, and just fill in the gaps according to context, and requesting repeats only where a missing letter or word is important and not easily guessable from what was actually copied. This will get you used to not getting hung up over missing a letter or even a word once in a while. Also, when you listen faster than you can get perfect copy, you are pushing yourself harder. It is the challenge that makes for rapid learning. If you go for perfect copy at one speed before moving on, you will move up pretty slowly.

Good luck!

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
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2469. Re: @@@ Cancel @@@

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA28427@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180627

In article <34ca5e8a.662221@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) writes:

>
>From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy)
>Date:
>1998/01/20
>Message-ID: <6a2u56$ao7@anchor.cis.att.com>
>Newsgroups:
>rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur
>[More
>Headers]

> Automatic cancel message requested by WorldNet.

Give me a
>break.
Who is cancelling my articles ??
Which ones cancelled by whom
>??
If someone cancels my articles because he hates me, I will
>cancel
anything that I don't like.

Hmmmm... now why would anybody do a mean thing like that? After all, everybody enjoys reading a post that either asks for help, offers help, or presents a view (whether similar or not to those of the reader) presented in a logical, inoffensive manner. Who would someone cancel a productive post that's sole purpose is to spread knowledge? Why, canceling a perfectly legitimate post would be just as bad as deliberately offending people anonymously with insults and overt displays of contempt to the views of others, wouldn't it? Who would be so thoughtless?

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2470. Re: Don't like the code? So what!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980126025600.VAA26978@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180628

So who posted that... pro or anti-code? Could we all do without the vulgar language and inflammatory non-sequiturs?

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2471. Re: So long, Slick Willie...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6agtlg$f00@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180629

Just to make this topic ham radio related, has anyone notice the CNN "Breaking News" music? The violin section taps out "HI HI HI" in Morse.

Boy, that should really get Burt missed off (one of M@s@'s expressions).

Jeff KH2PZ

2472. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6agu6k$f68@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180630

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
> If you're not so fortunate, (I) may well consider taking legal action
>against you for possible libel and/or defamation of (my) character.

Heh, what a bloody hypocrite. Read the title you placed in the subject
line, Drew.

Jeff KH2PZ

2473. Okay, what method is the fastest/most efficient way to learn 13WPM code?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa2ise@netcom.com
Message-ID: <wa2iseEnDJ8M.IMs@netcom.com>
Source record: 180631

I have a tech plus (the very old tech license where you did 5WPM and general theory tests), so, to upgrade all I'd need is code at 13WPM. What method is the quickest and most efficient way to learn it? Assume I forgot my 5WPM, because I did. Just get some tapes or a morse program and run them at 15WPM from teh beginning (idea is to learn the "sound" of each character, rather than "translating a series of dits and dahs". Yes?

I took my Tech at an old dumpy FCC office in New York City in 1976.

2474. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stephen Eagle <LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6ahgs7$bda@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180632

Nope, but the CBers took over the 27.405-28.000Khz region so why not the 10 meter band too? There is no FCC, it is a figment of our imagination. If there was a viable Federal Communications Commission they would be making tons of Federal Reserve Notes (not conforming to article 1 section 10) on prosecuting the illegal 11 meter banditos. There is a gold mine there going to waste. Should be proof enough to you that Uncle Sam don't need you or your money, he simply delights in exercising selective prosecution as the whim suits him. Note, the latest Clinton Sex scandal. The local Ham Station here in Indiana is making tons of money on selling Ameritron AL-1200's to local CBers who drive them with new Kenwoods, and Yaesus, and some with filthy dirty transistor amps of a few years back, illegal modulators and such. Wise up get with the program, tear up your license, as long as your licensed your under the obligation to follow the law and jurisdiction of the FCC. Send them a document of recission, buiy yourself a brand new 10 meter CB rig, AL-1200, moonraker and start shooting skip, Boy the solar cycyle is coming up and thats where the action is going to be. Cuss and Fuss delight in your freedom and outlaw status. Hell, have a prefrontal lobotomy and be a real CBer!!!!!
KB9IWS Stephen Eagle

KD4AFW wrote:

> Kc7vho wrote:
> >
> > I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10
> > meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods
> > for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter
> > radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone
> > help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx
> > series? If you have any info on galaxy radios please
> > email me and thanks for your time and help 73 Kc7vho
> Try Copper Electronics..They are the ones selling the shit to the
> New York Taxidrivers and anybody else with a few bucks and even
> less sense..Want to hear the end result..Tune in on 10 mtrs any-
> time the band is open, and listen to the wide-assed AM signals
> up and down the band..TXing on top of beacons, QSOs, and anything
> else that happens to be there..Why isnt anything done about this
> idiot. Is the FCC going to abandon enforcing 10 as they did 11
> years ago? Whats the consensus on this subject? Am I the only one
> that gets irate on this subject?...John

2475. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stephen Eagle <LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6ahhhb$bda@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180633

You ever notice how folks with no balls, brains, or ambition sit around and whine and mince excuses after excuses, expending in the process more effort and resources than if they had just got up and preformed. Reinstitute the one year no-code requirement. Advance and upgrade or get the hell out of radio(real radio) and go pick up another hobby more suited to your limited abilities. Write a book on procrastination and get reasonably rich, rape a kid, whatever your personal inclinations are, just do it.

Baldy wrote:

> In article <34A5D298.75E0@earthlink.net>, atued@earthlink.net wrote:
>
> >MAybe you should keep up with the facts. First off CW is digital, the
> >first digital mode ever! There have been devices for quite some time
> >which can both send and received CW automatically. However, experience
> >has proven that a trained operator can read signals that computer based
> >systems are stymied by.
> >
> >Second, CW can and is used in emergencies where no other mode such as
> >AM, Fm, or SSB can suffice.
> >
> >Third, Ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or
> >aircraft! If that is your goal becoma a sailor or a pilot!
>
> It's interesting that ham radio has nothing to do with commercial shipping or
> aircraft, and others in this NG are using commercial shipping distress as a
> reason for keeping code....Those advocating keeping code by giving examples of
> ships at sea don't seem to be telling stories about a ham who picked up a
> distress call and "saved the day", the stories are all about naval monitoring
> stations. In this day of sensationalized news, do you think it would pass by
> quietly if a ship at sea were stranded and there was no response from any
> government station? And a ham operator who just happened to be "passing by"
> picked up the signal and saved them? That would be on the 4:00, 5:00, 6:00,
> 10:00 and 11:00 news for a week!!! Government negligence almost kills 100's
> aboard a luxury cruise ship! A lone amateur radio operator is the hero that
> saved the day when the Navy failed their duty!! Navy plot to kill hundereds is
> stopped by ham operator!!

2476. Re: Want SoundBlaster book

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-26 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <00pviAAS3Ez0EwUN@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180634

In article <6afk3d$j6v@nntp02.primenet.com>, Ken Knecht
<kenk@primenet.com> writes
>Does anyone have a book on programming a SoundBlaster card they'd be
>willing to part with? I'm not interested in the MIDI stuff so an older
>book would probably be fine. I want to incorporate the sound card's
>features in ham oriented computer programs.
>
>Email me if you have something. I tried Barnes & Noble and Amazon but
>all the SoundBlaster books I've seen are evidently out of print and
>unavailable.
>
>TIA.
>
>Ken
I don't think such a book exists. I had the same problem and there are a
few sites with the data about. The best I have found so far is:
"http:www.hut.fi/~then/programming.html" try that.
73
--
Don Ward G0MDO

2477. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CE4155.B84297E2@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180287
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

W6RCA wrote:

> DoD COMM wrote:
> > ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!
>
> Wow, I never realized that 99.98% of the rest of the world were
> CBers. Egad, my dog is a CBer.
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA

Not mine Cecil. My dogs know CW. Now the horses may be CBers though.....

73,
Mark
WA0DCA

2478. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6al63i$6sj$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180288
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6akrli$5bj@btc3.up.net>,
Larry A. Warsinski <lwarsins@up.net> wrote:

>Cecil, I will try to explain this. As a "no-code-test" proponant myself,
>perhaps my explanation would be better received than Michael's, simply
>because of his perceived bias.

Excellent summary, Larry; it summarizes the point I was attempting to make
very well.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2479. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CE473E.525C13A6@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180289
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> No, the correct analogy would be...
>
> Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
> People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
> License, even if they will only be using VOICE!!

On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate. Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they don't plan to use. Why force anyone to take a math class, science class, or history class if they don't want to. Better yet why don't we just teach them too push the proper pre-programed buttons on the cash register and memorize the phrase "Would you like fries with that order?". Why force anyone to lean english beyond the word "suppressive". After all there really is not a need to have anyone work for something in life is there? There is not reason that anyone should have to put and effort out so they can feel they have accomplished something.

Nobody is holding a gun to anyone's head forcing them to learn CW. If you don't want to learn CW and just work phone fine. Stick with VHF or go to CB.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

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2480. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CE6523.7F7D@nb.net>
Source record: 180290
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Charlie wrote:
>
> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 19:30:29 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> posted:
>
> >Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> [snippety]
>
> >.....Instead of wasting time visiting idiot web pages...use CW!
>
> Hi, Dodo: Why? OOK Morse is too slow, too archaic, too out-moded (pun
> intended), too much fun (none of which in any way justify retention of the Morse
> code TEST requirement for HF frequency access licensure), and it is not required
> to communicate via radio (a situation which logically, horse-sensically,
> reasonably and pragmatically justifies removing the Morse code TEST for HF
> freqency access licensure). =0)
> Enjoy Amateur Radio! Don't be a LID (Luddite In Denial -- with apologies to
> Stevenson) -- share all the bands on the basis of RADIO: IMHO, it's the people
> and the technology, NOT the mode or encoding/decoding schemes, that ARE Amateur
> Radio.
>
> ---
> KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
> (NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

.........The preceeding message was brought to you by:

No-Code International...where mentally arthritic
individuals are deprived the true pleasures of
Amateur Radio because they can't be real hams and
learn/use the code!

And now back to our regular scheduled newsgroup.

2481. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: prografx@teleport.com
Message-ID: <6alihp$j6h$1@news1.teleport.com>
Source record: 180291
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) wrote:

>In article <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>, Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com> wrote:
>>I think the real issue between all the discussion in amateur radio today
>>is whether or not the old guard is ready to relinquish control to the
>>new, in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless
>>Technicians.

>No problem. They can have control over all amateur spectrum above 50 MHz.
>Jeff KH2PZ

Whoa.... I am a REAL ("Coded") Technician, have been for over 20 years and I spend a fair amount of my life above 50Mhz. In order to have "control", you not only have to have the numbers but also the origanization (political insiders, lobbyists, etc.) and occupy the majority of the repeater frequency assignments.

I don't believe truly active no-code Technician class licensees are anywhere near having domination in any of the three categories. We share the resources, but I don't think anyone overtly "controls" the spectrum. The majority of the rules governing the hobby have been in place for the good of all long before the codeless licenses were even established.

Don't "give away" something that obviously isn't yours to give, Jeff! <grin> Some of us "old-timers" might have something to say about it!

I could say the same thing about the frequencies below 28 Mhz based on the childish activities I hear on 75-80 meters nightly!

Steve
WB7PSD

2482. Re: retest everyone

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: prografx@teleport.com
Message-ID: <6alj0h$j6h$2@news1.teleport.com>
Source record: 180292

"Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net> wrote:

>Yes, I think that retesting everyone on a yearly basis is the best
>way to clear out the bands......and lets make the requirment of the test
>a broken 12 volt power supply with a blown fuse....this would fail about
>30% of the "hams" right off the bat.....second if you added a shorted
>diode to the test ....anothe 30% would be failed.....and another 10%
>would fail from electric shock..(failure to unplug unit).... The other
>30%
>that could send and copy code would leave the hobby........because all of
>the hams they used to talk to would be off the air........

Wow, it is SO simple! Why didn't we think of this before?

Unfortunately, this is exactly what we DON'T need if we are going to
successfully hold on to the "turf" we currently occupy.

Unfortunately, to the bean-counters in Washington, shear numbers speak
louder than quality.

IMHO

Steve
WB7PSD

2483. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chuck Till <ctill@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34CE53A5.10628DCD@mindspring.com>
Source record: 180293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary Coffman wrote:
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> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 23:25:36 -0500, "John A. Figliozzi"
> <jfiglio1@nycap.rr.com> wrote:
> >I'm hearing a few CW stations on 160m tonight (Monday). Forgive my
> >ignorance, but is this a ham band for CW or are these utilities or
> >something else I'm hearing?
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> All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
> 160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and data
> segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
> on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.

When I had a ham license 25 years ago, 160m was severely
restricted in some areas by power and frequency. When were
these limits removed?

2484. KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc8caj@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <885937333.864878599@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180294
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Here at the KC8CAJ Amateur Radio Page we are always hard at work keeping up to date information for all our viewers. We are pleased to offer you our newest version. This new version is supposed to load extremely fast depending on your connection and net traffic.

You'll find information in the areas of Amateur Radio, Computers, DX, Shortwave, Radio and Electronics Retailers. These are just to name a few!

Here is the URL: http://www.kb8uyz.com/kc8caj

Take a look around and feel free to drop us a note! Let us know if you would like to have your page listed or of any questions you might have.

Tnx and 73's
Chris Ranes, KC8CAJ
kc8caj@hotmail.com

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2485. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: CW <cw1@mci2000.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2b6c$71ea8860$b40837a6@hp-customer>
Source record: 180295
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

This whole discussion is pointless. The code requirement will die with the oldtimers. The average age of opperators on HF is getting older all the time and the number of upgrades is rapidly declining. I'm sure I will hear arguments to the contrary but look at the statistics. Which will die first, the oldtimers or the hobby?
BTW, I am an old line machinist (manual machines, lots of hand work and old world craftsmanship). I now use computer controlled robotic machines to do in minutes what used to take hours. The old ways worked well but have become outdated and obsolete. Time to move on.
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CW
KC7NOD

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote in article
<34CE473E.525C13A6@ix.netcom.com>...
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
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> > No, the correct analogy would be...
> >
> > Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
> > People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
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> On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to
graduate.
> Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after
they
> graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes
they
> don't plan to use. Why force anyone to take a math class, science
class, or
> history class if they don't want to. Better yet why don't we just teach
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> too push the proper pre-programed buttons on the cash register and
memorize
> the phrase "Would you like fries with that order?". Why force anyone to
lean
> english beyond the word "suppressive". After all there really is not a
need
> to have anyone work for something in life is there? There is not reason
that
> anyone should have to put and effort out so they can feel they have
> accomplished something.

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> Nobody is holding a gun to anyone's head forcing them to learn CW. If
you
> don't want to learn CW and just work phone fine. Stick with VHF or go to
CB.
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> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA
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> >
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>

2486. CW test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Audrius Brazdeikis <audrius@uh.edu>
Message-ID: <34CE5B2C.C9F359BC@uh.edu>
Source record: 180296

Can someone please describe how the CW exam is conducted.
Thanks,

Audrius

2487. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34CE58A5.1A9D7EE0@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180297
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Richard Carroll wrote:
> Hmmmmmm.....Cecil, you got that? You said you had no trouble at all
> learning CW as a kid, even did it well before you ever heard of ham
> radio. Looks like Gary thinks you're pretty stupid!
> Give back your MENSA card NOW!

Strangely enough, there is some truth in the above statement. From the time I was 13 until I went off to college, I was on CW night and day. My grades were pretty low and I almost flunked algebra and Spanish. My measured IQ in high school was not anywhere near the MENSA level.

Then I went off to college and gave up CW for a number of years. My IQ zoomed upward by about 40 points during my college years. Don't know if there's any cause and effect there, but I suspect in high school, I was operating CW to the exclusion and detriment of more important things.

73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)

2488. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CE78B8.7D5B@geocities.com>
Source record: 180298
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34CDA239.56BE@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>
> >> HCI claims they don't want to "ban guns" either. Their vitrol
> >> speaks another message, just as yours does.
> > >
> > >Michael, you can't have it both ways. Either you are for the outdated
> > >Morse code testing requirement and for gun control or you are against
> > >governmental intervention into the lives of supposedly free citizens.
> > >You cannot be half fascist and half libertarian.
> >
> > Why can't I?
> >
> > I'm not a libertarian, although I'm a governmental minimalist. I'm also
> > a fiscal conservative. How I reconcile the conflicts is my own problem,
> > not yours.
> >
> > Libertarian philosophy is flawed. Unfortunately, man is predatory.
> > Eliminating all government regulations would create an anarchist
> > society, not the panacea libertarians claim it would. While many
> > people would respect the rights of other people, many would not.
> > Sort of what happens with the schoolyard bully when the monitors
> > are not around.
> >
> > I support minimal restrictions on access to guns, primarily
> > background checks. I also believe there should be a mandated
> > safety training class all new gun purchasers should take. Likewise,
> > I believe amateur radio should have certain licensing requirements.
> >
> > What I do not support are arbitrary requirements, such as
> > "nobody under the age of 18 can get an amateur ticket" or "nobody
> > with poor eyesight can purchase a gun". I believe that licensing
> > standards should exist that give anyone interested an opportunity
> > to obtain a license if they fulfill the requirements.
<Sarcasm filter off>

I am glad therefore to read that you oppose Arbitary Requirements,
welcome to the ranks of those oppose who oppose arbitary requirements,
the main one being Code on HF

KB9RQZ

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> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2489. Re: HAM CLUBS & NG's ALL THE SAME

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Jerome M. Kutche" <n9lya@tima.com>
Message-ID: <34CE60B5.41A54B47@tima.com>
Source record: 180299
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Maybe he is now a know it all... I went the same route... I know he is right!!!

William Lee wrote:

> gambino wrote in message <34B892D7.931A4F87@yahoo.com>...
> >Don't feel alone, your observation is very much the truth...
> >Radio in general is stale because of these , pardon my jargon, Old Farts &
> Know it
> >alls.
> >When I got into Ham rdaio (bout 6yrs ago) I was an avid electronic
> enthusiast &
> >wanted more, more, more knowledge... I was also a hacker of the highest
> degree
> >(still am) & ended up teaching myself most of what I know...
> >I found it annoying to have to listen to these A**holes chastise other
> "younger
> >generation" Hams, because we didn't have 9 mile high HF towers or, know
> code, or say
> >73's, etc...
> >Well I eventually got so into radio I ended up a Radio Technician, you
> would think,
> >every Ham's dream job, right? WRONG. I met the most dispicable people,
> many of
> >which were Hams, The commercial guys always felt they were above Hams,
> simply
> >because, they got paid to do it & use commercial equipment.... I was
> constantly
> >harrased being a ham working in commercial radio, by the older "more
> experienced"
> >guys, I didn't give a shit, I excelled & eventually started my own shop.
> Mind you, I
> >was only 25.
> >I got so fed up though with the assholes in the business, many of which run
> closed
> >repeaters & the ones whop think they are so much smarter than me & think
> simply cuz
> >I was 23, 24,25 yrs old, I didn't know a damn about radio, while at the
> same time I
> >was getting paid to fix their radios & being Emailed up the wazooo to
> answer tech
> >questions on related topics...
> >It is PURE arrogance on the part of these guys who think they know
> everything & feel
> >bestowed to treat other guys like shit cuz they are new to the hobby...

> >I absolutely am turned off by the 'radio crowd' in my parts (Bay Area ,
> Ca.), bunch
> >of old effer's who have a monopoly on freq pairs cuz they have money & are
> all part
> >of the same "old boys club"...
> >Screw those guys, I could of continued to make money doing radio on my own,
> but why
> >work around assholes I can't stand?
> >I switched careers & am now a Network Engineer making almost twice the
> salary, and
> >I'm still only 26... I also run my own Paging & Email service. so I still
> have ties
> >to the wireless industry both commercially & as a hobby of course.... I
> have a truck
> >fully decked out for communications, with all the top gear, but that
> doesn't make a
> >better ham than anyone else though, what does make me way better than these
> old
> >assholes, is I won't chew your ass if you ask a "dumb" newbie question, or
> debate
> >it, nor will I run you off a repeater, because it's "Private".... I am
> willing to
> >spread the knowledge & help other guys who don't know what I know, believe
> me I
> >learned a lot of secrets working in the business & never hesitate to share
> them..
> >Face it Old Timers, the days of the secret handshake are over....
> >Who gives a damn if we dont't know about about tubes, crystals & code....
> >You can't hold back NEWER Technology or the knowledge thereof...
> >It's alright dano, I'm on your side.
> >
> Damm sounds like another know it all.....

2490. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan Finn <djfinn@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CE610B.390A@ibm.net>
Source record: 180300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary Coffman wrote:
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> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>
I might add that there is often good reason to use OOK CW on 160m. True, it can be a more difficult task to communicate via CW but people are not doing it just because they prefer low technology over the so called 'whiz-bang' digital stuff; 160m can be a particularly difficult band to use (high QRN, small antennas with low ERP etc.). CW makes it easier to 'get through' under poor band conditions or equipment limitations etc. when nothing else will. CW is still used extensively on the amateur bands. A few digital affecianados hate to admit it, but that statement is, for all practical purposes, true. Licensees on the ham bands need to demonstrate the capability to make maximum use of the spectrum resources entrusted (licensed) to them, thus they must know CW to use the bands under poor condx. They are not 'required' to ever actually use it, but most end up using it substantially, especially on the lower bands (40/80/160m), when they discover how useful this old reliable mode really is!

Dan Finn
KR4AJ

2491. Re: CW test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6alo9l$d47@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180301

Audrius Brazdeikis <audrius@uh.edu> wrote:

>Can someone please describe how the CW exam is conducted.
>Thanks,

On the test I took and subsequent others I've observed, the test is
a 5 minute CW transmission on audio tape. The test taker listens
and writes down the characters being sent. The test taker also
has a 10 question test that asks questions about what was
sent. The test taker can pass the test by EITHER getting
at least 7 questions answered correctly OR having one
minute of consecutive copy 100% correct.

Hope that helps,

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2492. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CE8150.188A@geocities.com>
Source record: 180302
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

M Johnson wrote:
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> Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> > > Does not seem to be a problem for the thousands of new no-code techs that
> > get
> > > licensed each year. If they are happy using vhf and find their "nitch"
> > there
> > > then FB. Otherwise they can study a bit and upgrade. Of the several
> > no-code
> > > hams I know on more than just a *ham radio* basis, not one of them has
> > > anything against having to learn the code if they want to upgrade.
> >
> > I would that you are either lying or have a very limited aquatanship
> >
>
> Hi Mark,Not really, I just don't tend to develop friendships for very long
> with folks who are afraid to work for something and want every thing handed to
> them on a silver platter. Granted there are some folks out there that just
> can't learn CW for some type of handicap and there are programs in place to
> handle those conditions.

Gee, Dyslexia, which make it diffcult (For me and others) to copy
spoken English letter acurately is normaly dealt with by Pychogists
(spelling can also be a problem), who are not empowered to sign the FCC
waivers, which of course for various reasons don't deal with 5wpm
>
> >
> >
> > Digital pentrates better,
>
> Yep! And guess what? CW is digital. It is a simple reliable digital
> protocol. It can get through when other digital protocols can't.

Fine I will grant that Morse based CW can be viewed as a digital mode.
Digital modes are normaly sent by machines, such as this one I am using
now. They can also be sent better by machines.

>
> > and even Morse can be better sent by machine
> > than by people, thus even the uses for morse dont seem to justify
> > learning it by hand.
>
> Not really, current use of rtty, packet, and gtor takes a much better signal

> to noise ratio get through than CW does. In packet modes with error
> correction the throughput can be almost zero because of repeat packets. A
> good cw operator can often copy through the noise and fill in lost
> characters. The human brain is still the best filter of noise and
> interference in weak signal conditions.

The rules do not require anyone to to be a good CW operator, even if I
manage to beat Morse into my head long enough to survive a code test,
that will not make me one. My computer will still do a better job than
I.
>
> >
> > >
> > > For another it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks.
> > Before
> > > we lower the requirements let's get some teeth into the enforcement of the
> >
> > > rules to get the garbage ops off the ham bands.
> > >
> >
> > Gee if Morse Filters People then why are there any "garbage
> > operators
> >
>
> Ahhh, parroting the party line are we. Maybe you failed to see that I said
> "it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks". No system of
> testing will ever get rid of all of the bad operators. There will always be
> a percentage of any group who abuse what they have. At this time CW testing
> does keep those numbers down on hf. All I have to do to confirm this is
> listen to 11 meters or even some of the operators on two meters. Maybe we do
> need to address the cw issue at some point, but, before we do, we must find a
> way to get rid of the garbage on the bands keep it off in the future. Doing
> anything else will just turn HF into total chaos.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

The traditions of American laws perfer to let a Murders go free rather
than condem one inocent man. The FCC as part of the Amercan Goverment
is supposed to be obligated to follow the same principles. Personaly I
would the American Amatuer Radio Comunity would seek to uphold these
priciples. If dispite the "Filtering effect" of CW there is enough of a
problem to merit the attention of a pominant offical(I forget just who's
cal it was that sparked this thread soory) of the ARRL in these filtered
bands, then it isn't working very well, and is violating principles of
the Law besides

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

2493. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34CE5F2A.56F50184@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 180303
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
> >Jeffrey Herman wrote:
> >
> >> > Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
> >> >off by the code requirements.
>
> Please be more careful with the attribution lines so you don't
> misquote someone.

Hi Jeff, and others who don't know, The two >> in front of "Jeffery" indicates that Jeffery did not say the statement with four >>>> in front of it. Anything Jeffery said would have three >>> in front of it. So nobody was misquoted. We just don't know who said the statement with four >>>> in front of it. The attribution lines are nested so it is very difficult to accidently misquote anyone.

73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)

2494. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dan O'Connell <oconneld@OIT.EDU>
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.96.980127144226.24526B-100000@internet.oit.edu>
Source record: 180304
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998, Dan Finn wrote:

> Gary Coffman wrote:
> > On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 23:25:36 -0500, "John A. Figliozzi"
> > <jfiglio1@nycap.rr.com> wrote:
> > >I'm hearing a few CW stations on 160m tonight (Monday). Forgive my
> > >ignorance, but is this a ham band for CW or are these utilities or
> > >something else I'm hearing?
> >
> I might add that there is often good reason to use OOK CW on 160m. True,
> it can be a more difficult task to communicate via CW but people are not
> doing it just because they prefer low technology over the so called
> 'whiz-bang' digital stuff; 160m can be a particularly difficult band to
> use (high QRN, small antennas with low ERP etc.). CW makes it easier to
> 'get through' under poor band conditions or equipment limitations etc.
> when nothing else will. CW is still used extensively on the amateur
> bands.
> Dan Finn
> KR4AJ

equally true on VHF.I've worked many countries on 50 Mhz CW that I just
wouldn't havn't been able to on ssb. Same goes for EME (moon bounce),
Aurora, etc etc. It just plain works under adverse conditions! Dan WA7TDZ
Oregon

2495. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6alokf$7ar$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180305
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6al93f$u3@news.service.uci.edu>,
James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:

>Do Technician licenses expire at a different rate than General class
>licenses? ;-)

Yup. General-class licenses are expiring today. Technician-class licenses
won't start expiring until 2/2001.

>By the way, you should examine the number of Technician licenses which
>have been obtained over the past 7 years, and then compare that with the
>number of new General Class (or any other class) licenses which have been
>obtained over the same interval.

Why?

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2496. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: billsohl@planet.net
Message-ID: <6alp41$d5t@jupiter.planet.net>
Source record: 180306
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>Dr. Bellows wrote:

>> No, the correct analogy would be...
>>
>> Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
>> People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
>> License, even if they will only be using VOICE!!

>On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate.
>Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they
>graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they
>don't plan to use. Why force anyone to take a math class, science class, or
>history class if they don't want to.

This really gets tiring. Most high schools have a broad array of
choices with only some classes being manadatory for all students.
People not planning on going to college rarely, if ever, are required
to take a language or many other classes that academic track students
are required to take. Even colleges don't universally require
languages, etc.

>Better yet why don't we just teach them
>too push the proper pre-programed buttons on the cash register and memorize
>the phrase "Would you like fries with that order?". Why force anyone to learn
>english beyond the word "suppressive".

The choices for classes are that of parent's and board of
educations. We don't give carte blanche choice to minors
in high school. As to college courses, pick the right college
and you can probably not be forced to take a language.

>After all there really is not a need
>to have anyone work for something in life is there?

Neither high school or college requires any measure of
work. One completes the classes, class work and/or
homework and tests and get graded. For many that is
work, for some its a cake walk. I had a 9th grade algebra
teacher give me a grade of 90 on a reproting period and
put unstisfactory effort in the coments section because
I didn't work hard enough in her vaulted opinion.

> There is not reason that
>anyone should have to put and effort out so they can feel they have

>accomplished something.

Government amateur testing requirements have no place
in even attempting to assess work, effort or dedication which
seems to be the only thing that many CW test advocates
see the CW test as being a yardstick for.

>Nobody is holding a gun to anyone's head forcing them to learn CW. If you
>don't want to learn CW and just work phone fine. Stick with VHF or go to CB.

That's true, until we have the regulation changed.

Bill Sohl K2UNK
ARRL Local Gov't Liaison, Mt. Olive Township, NJ
No Code International, member - 1007
Visit the No-Code WEB site: http://www.nocode.org

2497. IPS Daily Report - 27 January 98

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: rwc@ips.oz.au
Message-ID: <6alolc$jq7@flare.syd.ips.gov.au>
Source record: 180307
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,ips.solar.activity,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SUBJ: IPS DAILY SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL REPORT
ISSUED AT 27/2330Z JANUARY 1998 BY IPS RADIO AND SPACE SERVICES
FROM THE AUSTRALIAN SPACE FORECAST CENTRE
SUMMARY FOR 27 JANUARY AND FORECAST FOR 28 JANUARY - 30 JANUARY
STATUS INDICATORS SOL:GREEN MAG:** YELLOW ** ION: ** YELLOW **

1A. SOLAR SUMMARY
Activity 27 Jan: Low

Flares: none.

Observed 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number for 27 Jan: 101/49

GOES satellite data for 26 Jan
Daily Proton Fluence >1 MeV: 3.9E+05
Daily Proton Fluence >10 MeV: 1.8E+04
Daily Electron Fluence >2 MeV: 6.50E+05 (normal)
X-ray background: B1.7
Fluence (flux accumulation over 24hrs)/ cm2-ster-day.

1B. SOLAR FORECAST
28 Jan 29 Jan 30 Jan
Activity Low Low Low
Fadeouts None expected None expected None expected

Forecast 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number for 28 Jan: 98/45

2A. MAGNETIC SUMMARY
Geomagnetic field at Learmonth 27 Jan: Quiet to unsettled

Estimated Indices 27 Jan : A K
Learmonth 10 2333 2222
Fredericksburg 5
Planetary 5

Observed Indices 26 Jan : A K
Fredericksburg 2
Planetary 3 0011 1221

2B. MAGNETIC FORECAST
Date Ap Conditions
28 Jan 6 Quiet to unsettled
29 Jan 16 Unsettled to active
30 Jan 13 active to unsettled
COMMENT: IPS Geomagnetic Warning 5 was issued on 26 January and

is current for interval 28-29 January.

3A. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION SUMMARY
Latitude Band
Date Low Middle High
27 Jan Normal Normal Normal
PCA Event : None

3B. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST
Latitude Band
Date Low Middle High
28 Jan Normal Normal Normal
29 Jan Normal Fair Poor
30 Jan Normal Normal Fair
COMMENT: Degraded HF conditions expected for high latitudes on
29 January.

4A. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC SUMMARY
Date T index
27 Jan 62

Observed Australian Regional MUFs:
Near predicted monthly values at all
other sites.
Hobart: No data

Predicted Monthly T index for January: 47

4B. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC FORECAST
Date T index MUFs
28 Jan 50 near predicted monthly values
29 Jan 50 near predicted monthly values
30 Jan 50 near predicted monthly values
COMMENT: Mild degradations possible for southern region on 29
Jan.
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IPS Radio and Space Services | email: asfc@ips.gov.au
PO Box 1386 | WWW: http://www.ips.gov.au/asfc
Haymarket NSW 1240 AUSTRALIA | FTP: ftp://ftp.ips.gov.au/users/asfc/
tel: +61 2 9213 8010 | fax: +61 2 9210 8060

2498. Re: Ham plates (was: Vanity Callsigns)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: dmgillah@mtu.edu
Message-ID: <6alp8r$gr8$1@bumbletown.me>
Source record: 180308

helmsman wrote:
: $5.00 in Michigan.
:
: Helmsman@Mindspring.com
: KG8PM
: 42.29N 83.08W
:

I only paid $2 for mine last August. I remember, because I thought
it was kinda odd that a ham plate was less than a Nat'l Guard plate ($5).
For the others here, the $2 is a one time fee, then regular fee on
renewal. Helmsman: I'd talk to John and get your $3 back! :)
--

_____
Dave Gillahan dmgillah@mtu.edu Michigan Technological University
Office: (906) 487-3443 ki8dl@usa.net http://radiolink.net/ki8dl
ki8dl@w8yy.#upmi.mi.usa.noam
Amateur Radio: work long hours,
get no money, and call it fun. Without integrity, one has nothing
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2499. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: karnold@jps.net
Message-ID: <34d16a0d.8152173@news.jps.net>
Source record: 180309
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 02:36:34 -0600, "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
wrote:

>>
>> : The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
>> : (for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
>> : language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
>> : use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.
>> ^^^^^^^^
>
>No, the correct analogy would be...
>
>Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
>People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
>License, even if they will only be using VOICE!! No one forces you to
>learn Russian, if you only plan on living in the US and want to speak
>English!!
>
>Saying that someone is LAZY for not wanting to learn Morse Code, is like
>saying that everyone in the world (NOT living in Russia) is LAZY if they
>don't learn Russian!!
>
>Why waste time learning something that you are not going to ever use?!
=========>
"Ever" is a looong time!!!
If you're going to operate on the higher class bands, learn code. It's
the price of admission.
If you're an American business man in Russia it's best to learn Russian.

ï¿½ï¿½ï¿½ - Keith - 182L/STOL N3431R - Chino, California
N33ï¿½ 58' 46" W117ï¿½ 38' 41"

2500. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6alrv9$i0o$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

w6rca@ibm.net says,
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>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
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>> speaks another message, just as yours does.
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>Michael, you can't have it both ways. Either you are for the outdated
>Morse code testing requirement and for gun control or you are against
>governmental intervention into the lives of supposedly free citizens.
>You cannot be half fascist and half libertarian.
>
>73, Cecil, W6RCA

So, when code is outlawed, only the outlaws will have code.

****
Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address
****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com for a worst-case scenario *
****

2501. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34CE8F0F.1992@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180311
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Larry A. Warsinski wrote:

> In 10-15 years, watching all the data carefully, we should be able to
> quantify the levels of "inflation" for the numbers in each license class.

The adoption of the 10 year licenses has skewed the "count" considerably when you consider if a newby drops out after the first 2 years, or an oldtimer goes SK 2 years after renewal, both are still carried on the active rolls for the next 8 years.

Dick w0Ex

2502. Re: Utility monitoring etc: What center frequency?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Clifford Buttschardt <cbuttsch@slonet.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.3.95.980127180154.3003D-100000@oso.slonet.org>
Source record: 180312
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

OK...hold on guys! RTTY Sitor or Amtor obeys the same law: The
channel is NOT the center frequency and it will never be
the channel frequency. ITU has indicated for years that the lowest
emitted frequency shall be MARK and be considered the channel frequency.

Why hams cannot get this concept down is really difficult to understand as
the idea has been around for many years. Cliff K7RR

2503. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CEC75D.7001@nb.net>
Source record: 180313
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> 160m was open yesterday.
>
> I was hearing a bunch of stations near 1.82-1.85 MHz.
>
> I am using random wire (about 60m long) for the antenna and both RX
> and TX work very well.
>
> Happy Dxing !!!!
>
> ____
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org

....160M is open every day for me because I use CW!

Isn't it great? !

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2504. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CED07A.6587@nb.net>
Source record: 180314
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

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idea of what transmissions are taking place
in the world. As much as people want to get
rid of CW...it will NEVER die. It is the ONLY
mode that will get through when the going gets rough.

Walt.

2505. Re: Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CEA86B.2F98@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180315

Tobias Kuechen wrote:
>
> Hi does anyone knows if there exists a callbook on the internet ?
> Mit freundlichen Gruessen / best regards
> Tobias Kuechen
> _____

Hello Tobias -- 10 links to US calls, 20 links to DX QSL Managers,
17 links to DX callbook servers as well as links to World Wide Bureaus.

At URL:
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/page2.html

73
Rod in San Diego
--
AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

2506. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CEC4C7.D60@geocities.com>
Source record: 180316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Rigley L. Case wrote:
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banning Code Testing is not banning the use of code

2507. Want 75A4 Mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Chris <ck5@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CEAD55.6B88@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180317

I would like to get a list of mods for the 75A4. If you have them please send them to me and I will make a copy and return them the same day with money to cover your efforts. Thanks 73 Chris

2508. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CEAD2A.3F1973F2@flash.net>
Source record: 180318
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> yeah and amateur radio will be banned or else will be taken by
> commercial people because few people use it.

Cutie boy, if bands were taken away simply based on lack of use we would have lost our microwave bands along time ago. How many people do you know who are active on 10GHz? These bands have much more value than a few MHz of HF space.

Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
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2509. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <6ambr2$buu@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 180319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Richard Carroll wrote in message <34CE8F0F.1992@scan.missouri.org>...
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>when you consider if a newby drops out after the first 2 years, or an
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>active rolls for the next 8 years.

This is true, of course, but it does not mean that the "deadwood" in each group is the same percentage of the group. In the "entry level" license classes, you'll find a higher percentage of "newby drop-outs" -- they have tried the hobby and didn't like it for one reason of another. The higher class license holders have already lost their "newby drop outs". Those who simply quit at these levels are doing so for different reasons and are much fewer in number than the "newbys".

On the other hand, the generally higher average age of the higher class license holders would seem to result in a higher ratio of SK's from those groups.

The question that comes to mind is this: How does the SK rate of loss in the higher classes compare to the "newby" loss in the entry level classes. Any ideas?

--Larry A. Warsinski--
N8JPK -- Calumet, MI
lwarsins@up.net

2510. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CEB603.60EC@ibm.net>
Source record: 180320
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> I'm sure you understand the term "active licensees", Cecil.

I understand the term "infant mortality" a lot better. Larry explained it to me.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2511. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CEB158.264D7010@flash.net>
Source record: 180321
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

DoD COMM wrote:

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> mode that will get through when the going gets rough.
>
> Walt.

Walt I hardly think Gary is in the dark, your correct about it's
ability to 'get through' under heavy QRM/N but the going doesn't get too
rough on a microwave link to a satellite, no stumpjumpers up there or
liberty net to QRM your call for help, so while CW is still in wide
use in the amateur community. It is fading fast in the commercial
arena. All you have to do is read the trade rags. Morse is being
dropped by all kinds of commercial services.

Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

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it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." -
Cutie Boy, 98

2512. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CEB704.43A0@ibm.net>
Source record: 180322
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

James W. KELLEY wrote:
> Do Technician licenses expire at a different rate than General class
> licenses? ;-)

Hi Jim, I thought the same thing and Larry, N8JPK, was kind enough to explain that Michael was talking about what is commonly known as the "infant mortality" rate.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2513. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CEBE8A.10FE@ibm.net>
Source record: 180323
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Charlie wrote:
> Perhaps there is a message of wisdom in all this, eh, Cecil? =0)

Might be, Charlie. When I gave up CW my IQ climbed 30%. I had reached the point of diminishing returns with CW and more and more effort resulted in less and less improvement. I turned my attention to engineering where a little effort resulted in massive gains in knowledge and IQ.

That's one of the problems with a skill like CW. One tends to use it to the exclusion of learning anything new and valuable.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2514. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CEC543.CCE@ibm.net>
Source record: 180324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

DoD COMM wrote:
>
> W6RCA wrote:
> >
> > DoD COMM wrote:
> > > If they
> > > don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
> > > won't become Amateur Radio operators!
> >
> > Oh Yeah? Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> > they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators ...
>
> What's that have to do with anything?
> We are talking about meeting the requirements to
> obtain a Amateur Radio license.

Duuuuhhhhhhh Walt, Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators. Do you ever
bother to read the posts to which you are replying?

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2515. New Listserv for "Tornado Alley" SKYWARN.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ray Brown <r_brown@getonthe.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2add$9b26eb40$adaf32cf@r_brown.getonthe.net>
Source record: 180325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.talk.weather,alt.disasters.misc,alt.disasters.planning,rec.ham-radio

Howdy! It's time to start thinking about severe weather in Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri. To that end, I would like to announce the creation of a new Listserv for folks who are interested in, or already participate in, the SKYWARN program in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri. One does _not_ have to be a licensed amateur radio operator to participate in SKYWARN, although "ham" radio does play a major role in getting information to and from the various National Weather Service offices.

This Listserv will _NOT_ be used for issuing any watches or warnings, but rather to discuss what SKYWARN does, information about training classes, and related matters (including discussion of ARES and REACT). Anyone is welcome to participate (subscribe), but this Listserv will concentrate on the 4 central States that make up "Tornado Alley".

To participate, contact the Administrator for the Listserv - me! :-) Send a message to r_brown@getonthe.net and I'll send you the URL information.

Thanks, and 73 (Best Regards)!

Ray Brown, KB0STN
Assistant EC, Jasper Co, MO ARES

2516. Re: Galaxy DX88HL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: foster kartsotis <kartsfp@ch.etn.com>
Message-ID: <6akflh$k3e@interserv.etn.com>
Source record: 180326

stop your whining. theres a law in the works now that will deligate local police authorities the juristiction to control these rowdy cb folks. the fcc did not have the manpower to handle them all. (one quick scan around the 11m band will convince anyone with reason what size task this really is.)

did you ever try to track down a moving signal? i think not.

foster

Stephen Eagle wrote in message <6ahgs7$bda@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
>Nope, but the CBers took over the 27.405-28.000Khz region so why not the
>10 meter band too? There is no FCC, it is a figment of our
>imagination. If there was a viable Federal Communications Commission
>they would be making tons of Federal Reserve Notes (not conforming to
>article 1 section 10) on prosecuting the illegal 11 meter banditos.
>There is a gold mine there going to waste. Should be proof enough to
>you that Uncle Sam don't need you or your money, he simply delights in
>exercising selective prosecution as the whim suits him. Note, the
>latest Clinton Sex scandal. The local Ham Station here in Indiana is
>making tons of money on selling Ameritron AL-1200's to local CBers who
>drive them with new Kenwoods, and Yaesus, and some with filthy dirty
>transistor amps of a few years back, illegal modulators and such. Wise
>up get with the program, tear up your license, as long as your licensed
>your under the obligation to follow the law and jurisdiction of the
>FCC. Send them a document of recission, buiy yourself a brand new 10
>meter CB rig, AL-1200, moonraker and start shooting skip, Boy the solar
>cycyle is coming up and thats where the action is going to be. Cuss and
>Fuss delight in your freedom and outlaw status. Hell, have a prefrontal
>lobotomy and be a real CBer!!!!!
>KB9IWS Stephen Eagle
>
>KD4AFW wrote:
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>> Kc7vho wrote:
>> >
>> > I have found all the FTP files on every type of 10
>> > meter radio except for Galaxy mods. Is there any mods
>> > for these radios because a galaxy dx88hl is a 10 meter
>> > radio just like an RCI 2950 and so on. Can anyone
>> > help? Does anyone know any mods for the galaxy dx
>> > series? If you have any info on galaxy radios please
>> > email me and thanks for your time and help 73 Kc7vho
>> Try Copper Electronics..They are the ones selling the shit to the
>> New York Taxidrivers and anybody else with a few bucks and even

>> less sense..Want to hear the end result..Tune in on 10 mtrs any-
>> time the band is open, and listen to the wide-assed AM signals
>> up and down the band..TXing on top of beacons, QSOs, and anything
>> else that happens to be there..Why isnt anything done about this
>> idiot. Is the FCC going to abandon enforcing 10 as they did 11
>> years ago? Whats the consensus on this subject? Am I the only one
>> that gets irate on this subject?...John
>
>
>

2517. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6aju96$nj9@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180435
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 19:30:29 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> posted:

>Cutie Boy wrote:

[snippety]

>.....Instead of wasting time visiting idiot web pages...use CW!

Hi, Dodo: Why? OOK Morse is too slow, too archaic, too out-moded (pun intended), too much fun (none of which in any way justify retention of the Morse code TEST requirement for HF frequency access licensure), and it is not required to communicate via radio (a situation which logically, horse-sensically, reasonably and pragmatically justifies removing the Morse code TEST for HF freqency access licensure). =0)
Enjoy Amateur Radio! Don't be a LID (Luddite In Denial -- with apologies to Stevenson) -- share all the bands on the basis of RADIO: IMHO, it's the people and the technology, NOT the mode or encoding/decoding schemes, that ARE Amateur Radio.

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2518. Wanted: SWAN 500 Power Supply

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: vroberts_@rpa_.net
Message-ID: <34cd7e08.912925@super2.rpa.net>
Source record: 180436
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

x:no-archive: yes

Posting for a friend who needs a power supply for a SWAN 500 HF rig, either an OEM unit or suitable replacement. Also, though he can't figure out Usenet, he seems to think he could actually build one if somebody could supply plans :)

Please respond to Bob directly if you can help:

WB2SLYNY@aol.com

2519. Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tobias Kuechen <Tobias.Kuechen@bk.bosch.de>
Message-ID: <34CD8272.74437746@bk.bosch.de>
Source record: 180437

Hi

does anyone knows if there
exists a callbook on the internet ?

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Mit freundlichen Gruessen / best regards

Tobias Kuechen

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business:
Tobias.Kuechen@bk.bosch.de
UC-ON/ERM Geb.9 Zi.109
P.O. Box 3000, 71520 Backnang
Tel: ++49 7191-13 2326 Fax:4388
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private:
DL 4 GCT
Tobias.Kuechen@t-online.de
Ferd.Kuederlistr. 6, 71332 Waiblingen
Tel: ++49 7151-504130 FAX:504132
http://surf.to/bc

2520. Amateur Radio Network

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jeff James <jeffjames@carroll.com>
Message-ID: <34CD8E8B.94291BAE@carroll.com>
Source record: 180438

Yet another Web page..But I know you'll find this one useful for info
on just about every interest you may have, including a large list of
great Boatanchor sites..Winner of the "Best Ham Award".
http://oceanus.carroll.com/p/jeffjames
TNX 73,
Jeff
W2NBC at ARN

2521. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: xxx@nb.net
Message-ID: <34CDE088.4BE3@nb.net>
Source record: 180439
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
> In article <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>, Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com> wrote:
> >I think the real issue between all the discussion in amateur radio today
> >is whether or not the old guard is ready to relinquish control to the
> >new, in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless
> >Technicians.
>
> No problem. They can have control over all amateur spectrum above 50 MHz.
> Jeff KH2PZ

....Heaven forbid! I also operate my CW above 50MHz!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2522. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CDBCA8.2D82@ibm.net>
Source record: 180440
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
> to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
> artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
> active licensees.

Michael, please explain to us why codeless tech licenses are more
inflated than any other license class scheduled to expire at the
same time as the codeless tech license.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2523. retest everyone

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6akf1t$t67@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180441

Yes, I think that retesting everyone on a yearly basis is the best
way to clear out the bands......and lets make the requirment of the test
a broken 12 volt power supply with a blown fuse....this would fail about
30% of the "hams" right off the bat.....second if you added a shorted
diode to the test ....anothe 30% would be failed.....and another 10%
would fail from electric shock..(failure to unplug unit).... The other
30%
that could send and copy code would leave the hobby........because all of
the hams they used to talk to would be off the air........

2524. Re: Attention * Montreal Area Accessible Repeaters *

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cdc749.476993@news.total.net>
Source record: 180442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 05:13:38 GMT, master@mmbbs.dyn.ml.org (The Master)
wrote:

>On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 12:51:22 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
>Boy) wrote:

>Why does that URL take me to geocities???

because I am with GeoCities Virtual URL program.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2525. Re: Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cdc977.1035131@news.total.net>
Source record: 180443

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 07:45:06 +0100, Tobias Kuechen
<Tobias.Kuechen@bk.bosch.de> wrote:

>Hi
>
>does anyone knows if there
>exists a callbook on the internet ?

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/callsign.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/callsign.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/callsign.htm

Please bookmark this page.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

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�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
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2526. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6akgfo$67g$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180444
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CDA239.56BE@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>> HCI claims they don't want to "ban guns" either. Their vitrol
>> speaks another message, just as yours does.
>
>Michael, you can't have it both ways. Either you are for the outdated
>Morse code testing requirement and for gun control or you are against
>governmental intervention into the lives of supposedly free citizens.
>You cannot be half fascist and half libertarian.

Why can't I?

I'm not a libertarian, although I'm a governmental minimalist. I'm also
a fiscal conservative. How I reconcile the conflicts is my own problem,
not yours.

Libertarian philosophy is flawed. Unfortunately, man is predatory.
Eliminating all government regulations would create an anarchist
society, not the panacea libertarians claim it would. While many
people would respect the rights of other people, many would not.
Sort of what happens with the schoolyard bully when the monitors
are not around.

I support minimal restrictions on access to guns, primarily
background checks. I also believe there should be a mandated
safety training class all new gun purchasers should take. Likewise,
I believe amateur radio should have certain licensing requirements.

What I do not support are arbitrary requirements, such as
"nobody under the age of 18 can get an amateur ticket" or "nobody
with poor eyesight can purchase a gun". I believe that licensing
standards should exist that give anyone interested an opportunity
to obtain a license if they fulfill the requirements.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2527. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6akglk$696$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180445
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CDA04E.1818@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
>they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators (especially
>the PhDs who have forgotten more about ham radios that most hams
>will ever know).

When did Stevenson become an astronaut?

(Maybe we could ship him to Mir for a long-duration zero-gravity experiment?)

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2528. FS/FT: BUD Variable LP Filter model LF-601

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Kenneth G. Gordon" <keng@uidaho.edu>
Message-ID: <34CDC77C.3188@uidaho.edu>
Source record: 180446
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

This is a fancy LP filter, designed to provide up to 85 DB attenuation over TV channels 2 - 6 and above. Rated at 1 KW full plate modulated AM, and is adjustable both for exact channels needing highest attenuation AND for impedance matched over the range 50 to 72 ohms.

This filter comes in the original box with original instruction sheet. I have scanned and posted the instruction sheet to my web page at

http://www.mines.uidaho.edu/~keng/LF601/

Will sell for Best Offer over $25 or will trade for something interesting.

While you are at my web page, you may as well look at my Schematics pages. Take the link HOME on the LF601 page, and then take the link to the schematics pages. Hope you find them interesting. I REALLY hope some of them will pique your interest enough to make you want to build one or more and put them on the air.

Ken W7EKB
keng@uidaho.edu

2529. Parts needed...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Kenneth G. Gordon" <keng@uidaho.edu>
Message-ID: <34CDC561.51B1@uidaho.edu>
Source record: 180447
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Anyone have either of the following for sale or trade?

1) Original bandswitch knob for an Hallicrafters S-38 (no suffix).

2) Power connector/cord for a Yaesu FT-227R.

Ken W7EKB
keng@uidaho.edu

2530. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Reichow <gjr1@po17.rv.unisys.com>
Message-ID: <34CDFD96.22EC@po17.rv.unisys.com>
Source record: 180448

Rick Mudd wrote:
>
> I have to agree with Mr. Crusoe. Get on the air. I did it about a month
> ago. I "lurked" until I found another novice, then when he signed with
> whomever he was talking with, I pounced. The first two or three QSOs were
> really hard. I had cold sweat getting through them. I just kept on with
> it doing one or two QSO's each day as well as using Supermorse code
> practice. You will find, as I did, that there are a tremendous number of
> nice people out there who are really interested in helping you out. I have
> only had one that was not helpful and he simply disappeared. Last night I
> "talked" with WL7CDC in Anchorage, Alaska (I'm in Washington) for 45
> minutes. He operated at 13-15 WPM, I worked at 7 to 8 WPM. I had no
> trouble at all. I am planning on my general code test in May...and I won't
> have a bit of trouble with it.
>
> Nat Heatwole <heatwole@shell.clark.net> wrote in article
> <6agsio$qcr@clarknet.clark.net>...
> > Hello. Earlier today I passed my Novice Ham Radio license. The written
> > part wasn't very hard, but I did struggle with the code a little. But I
> > was able to make it out and I passed the 10 questions part of the code
> > test. My question is, is there a way for me to increase my code speed up
> > to 13 WPM? I hope to take my General class license soon and right now I
> > can barly do 5. I copied about 50% of the code tape correctly and some of
> > it was a little sloppy.
> >
> > I learned code by first studing the letters and then using a code program
> > on my computer to get it up to 5. Should I use the same computer program
> > and just slowly move up the speed until I get up to 13? Or is there a
> > better method? If you have any suggestions on this please let me know.
> > Thanks a lot in advance!
> >
> > Nat Heatwole
> > heatwole@clark.net
> >
> >

Nat,
Congratulations! Getting on the air will probably
be your best bet to increase your code speed, but
don't completely dismiss the computer either. Both can
work quite well for you. I also remember my first CW
qso's as a novice and the cold sweat too. You will get
over it as you become more comforatable with it. At
least you are willing to work at it and by the sounds

of it, willing to become proficient at it.
73's, KN0V

2531. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: sco@sco-inc.com
Message-ID: <34cee6e9.1970145@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180449

Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:

>Gary Coffman wrote:
>
>> >
>> >1) Federal law does preempt state law in cases where the Constitution
>> >specifically addresses the issue. The Constitution does not address the
>> >issue of radio or telephony. Reference the Tenth Amendment.

I would suspect that the Constitution does speak to the possible
impeachment of the President. It does. Therefore it is possible to say
that the tapes, if illegal (only one party was in MD at the time ...
so i think they are legal) go the the point that the President may
have committed a crime punishable by the Constitution (Bribing a
wistness).
>
>> >3) Kenneth Starr may be operating under Federal law, but he is still
>> >compelled to obey state law, and if he asked Tripp to make these
>> >recordings, he may have violated the law of MD or VA, or wherever the
>> >hell it was.

He did it in the state of Virginia where only ONE party needs to
consent to the recording.

2532. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cdefc8.484919164@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180450
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 23:25:36 -0500, "John A. Figliozzi"
<jfiglio1@nycap.rr.com> wrote:
>I'm hearing a few CW stations on 160m tonight (Monday). Forgive my
>ignorance, but is this a ham band for CW or are these utilities or
>something else I'm hearing?

All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and data
segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2533. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Larry A. Warsinski" <lwarsins@up.net>
Message-ID: <6akrli$5bj@btc3.up.net>
Source record: 180451
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote in message <34CDBCA8.2D82@ibm.net>...
>Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>> Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
>> to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
>> artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
>> active licensees.
>
>Michael, please explain to us why codeless tech licenses are more
>inflated than any other license class scheduled to expire at the
>same time as the codeless tech license.

Cecil, I will try to explain this. As a "no-code-test" proponant myself, perhaps my explanation would be better received than Michael's, simply because of his perceived bias.

Over the years, there has been a certain percentage of hams who obtain their first license but then find their interest wanes. They find that they do not wish to renew, and so they do not. This point of renewal has not been reached by the newer Tech's, and so there is a percentage of the present Tech license holders who are no longer active or interested in the hobby.

Since most of the other class licenses are made up of those who have passed beyond their first renewal, one may safely assume that these other license classes have already had this non-renewing group removed from their number.

I believe that this is the basis for Michael's observation.

All this should start to even out in a few years, as the non-renewers (first time around) are dropped from the database. After this first round, the percentage of "inflation" should be much reduced.

The fact that the Tehnician class is an entry level license, however, should result in a continuing higher percentage of "drop-outs" than the upper level licenses show.

On the other hand, we might mnake an argument that the upper class licenses also have an inflation factor. If we could take an average age for the hams in each license class, I would believe (no proof) that we would see an increase in average age as we see an increase in license class.

Statistically, this might result in a disproportionate number of non-renewing SK's from the higher classes -- resulting in a modest amount of "inflation" in those classes as well.

In 10-15 years, watching all the data carefully, we should be able to quantify the levels of "inflation" for the numbers in each license class.

Of course, by that time, there should have been a major shift in power . . .

--Larry A. Warsinski--
N8JPK -- Calumet, MI
lwarsins@up.net

2534. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: billn@peak.org
Message-ID: <6ak60tqsc12@bashir.peak.org>
Source record: 180452
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

fpmjr@valinet.com wrote:
:
: If i'm not mistaken there are aprox. 1/2 million "hams" world
: wide..there _should_ be 5 x that amount. Having to learn an outdated
: protocol, ie morse code, to advance beyond "tech" is silly, and is certainly
: contributing to the problem. What's the point of having to learn morse?

You are wrong. There are at least 100,000 Hams in the US - possibly as many as 500,000. There are over 1,000,000 Hams in Japan alone.

Why not? Why have to learn any radio theory at all? It certainly is not necessary to operate current radios.

: Do you ever become frustrated because of the
: ridiculously high prices on most amateur radios? It would seem to me, if
: there were _more_ demand the prices would perhaps "moderate"?

Unlikely. The radios are marvelously inexpensive, given everything they do. Compared to modern computers, they are almost being given away.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

2535. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34CD9C92.676B@idog.com>
Source record: 180453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

>
> : The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
> : (for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
> : language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
> : use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.
> ^^^^^^^^

No, the correct analogy would be...

Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
License, even if they will only be using VOICE!! No one forces you to
learn Russian, if you only plan on living in the US and want to speak
English!!

Saying that someone is LAZY for not wanting to learn Morse Code, is like
saying that everyone in the world (NOT living in Russia) is LAZY if they
don't learn Russian!!

Why waste time learning something that you are not going to ever use?!

2536. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CDA04E.1818@ibm.net>
Source record: 180454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

DoD COMM wrote:
> If they
> don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
> won't become Amateur Radio operators!

Oh Yeah? Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators (especially
the PhDs who have forgotten more about ham radios that most hams
will ever know).

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2537. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CDA239.56BE@ibm.net>
Source record: 180455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> HCI claims they don't want to "ban guns" either. Their vitrol
> speaks another message, just as yours does.

Michael, you can't have it both ways. Either you are for the outdated
Morse code testing requirement and for gun control or you are against
governmental intervention into the lives of supposedly free citizens.
You cannot be half fascist and half libertarian.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2538. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CDA33E.707F@ibm.net>
Source record: 180456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
> Lessee... "No-Code" (see: Codeless). "Agenda" (see: plan). "No-Code Agenda"
> (see: Codeless plan). Yup, it fits.

Codeless individual hams, not codeless ham frequencies. Why do you
insist
on being so inaccurate? No need to answer - we already know why.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2539. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34CDA639.C48@ibm.net>
Source record: 180457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM wrote:
> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!

Wow, I never realized that 99.98% of the rest of the world were
CBers. Egad, my dog is a CBer.

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2540. Enjoy!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: nick <watchman@tig.com.au>
Message-ID: <34CDD596.2D33@tig.com.au>
Source record: 180458

VK9LX Lord Howe Island Dxpedition web-site:
http://www.watch4you.com/vk9lx

VK9LX 160m Log:
http://www.watch4you.com/vk9lx/160mlog.html

"Who's Who on the TopBand":
http://www.watch4you.com/160
MAKE SURE TO VOTE FOR THIS SITE AS
HAM WEB-SITE OF THE MONTH!

2541. Need Mod for FT-8100R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jim Perkins <jperkins@ezl.com>
Message-ID: <6akm00$eog@ns1.ccinet.net>
Source record: 180459

Please post mod details for FT-8100R.

Thanks--
Jim Perkins, WA9JNW

2542. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127130201.IAA13936@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180460

In article <885879368.735248386@dejanews.com>, Dana Myers K6JQ
<Dana@Source.Net> writes:

>n article <19980125031001.WAA04718@ladder01.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com
>(CBRambo) wrote:
>
> FINALLY, we have the smoking gun. This is "the one"
>that will FINALLY bring
> down the worst president this country has ever had
>the misfortune of having
> hold the office. A womanizing, lying, cowardly,
>draft-dodging, dope-smoking,
> radical leftist.

I think you left out
>"no-code", otherwise I've no idea why you're
posting it to an amateur radio
>newsgroup.

Bill Clinton would be in favor of a no-code license, since he obviously does
not know code (except for maybe a "secret" rendezvous code for Paula Jones and
Gennifer Flowers.)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2543. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127130200.IAA02830@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180461

In article <6ajnaa$5mq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>>Depends on what you post. Most states have enacted "Right to Privacy"
>statutes
>in recent years which severely restrict the types of information
>that can be
>made public about an individual.

Yawn.

When you provide
>personal information into a public database (such as the
FCC database, 411
>internet address database, etc.) you loose all expectations
of privacy. So
>the courts have ruled.

We agree here, Mike. If an individual provides the information voluntarily, he or she has no expectation that that information will remain private. But what about information that is required in order to be issued a license or otherwise obtain permission to perform an activity? This is a hot-button issue right now in states that have recently opened up drivers license and vehicle registrations to the public via the Internet. Individuals are finding themselves being harassed by telemarketers, junk mailers, and worse...stalkers and other criminals, for instance.

Awhile back, someone posted Drew's name, address, callsign, and date-of-birth on this newsgroup. Obviously, they got their information from an old copy of QRZ or similar database, where it was public information at the time. But since then, the FCC has deleted DOB information, due to privacy concerns that were raised. So, would it still be considered "public information" and legally-permissable to post such information?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2544. Re: Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <nNV7sHAgldz0EwEc@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180462

In article <34CD8272.74437746@bk.bosch.de>, Tobias Kuechen
<Tobias.Kuechen@bk.bosch.de> writes
>Hi
>
>does anyone knows if there
>exists a callbook on the internet ?
>
There is one on the Buckmaster site: "http/www.buck.com"
Good luck
--
Don Ward G0MDO

2545. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980127130546838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 180463

Mike

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associations and it is causing me nothing but grief.
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this speed due to the way I was taught, I keep confusing A's and N's etc.
I think that it would be a good thing to learn code in a foreign
language so that you are not expecting the rest of the word as you do
not recognise it.

Let me know how you get on.
Good luck

Jon M1CCK

> Hey all-
> I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes. They are
> doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful hints?
> I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the testing
> policy already!
> Just maybe some association-games or memorization methods would help me out. I
> would appreciate it a hell of a lot! And you'll be helping someone get that
> much closer to getting on the HF airwaves that much sooner!
> Hope you can help,
> Mike in MO.

2546. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cdfa01.487536524@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180464
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 12:41:04 -0600, John Miles
<jmiles@pop.removethistomailme.net> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>>
>> Then you'd better stay on the ground, because they all can. Usually,
>> the consequences aren't fatal, but they can be and they have been.
>> Air carriers take a number of steps to reduce that risk. One is the
>> use of separate navigation systems which can be cross-checked
>> against each other. Another is to order passengers to refrain from
>> using consumer devices which haven't been certified as compatible
>> with flight avionics.
>>
>
>Another would be to drag the avionics industry kicking and screaming
>into the modern digital age, forcing them to use modern
>interference-resistant modulation techniques and protocols in
>safety-critical applications.
>
>Really, now. If society can equip every car on the road with an airbag
>at an amortized cost of only thirty million dollars or so per life
>saved, I think it's time the air transportation industry took its lumps,
>too, don't you, Gary? That is, if this is a real problem we're talking
>about, and not just so much superstition?

Realize that "every car on the road" does *not* have an airbag, that
airbags are not required to operate an auto, and that airbags have
turned out to have safety problems of their own.

Airbags are gradually being phased into auto use by virtue of new
car sales. No retrofitting is being done. And most importantly, there
is no need for interoperability. If aviation converted their avionics
to a different modulation, *every* aircraft and ground station would
have to be converted at the same time. That's because of the absolute
requirement for full interoperability. The logistics of such a mass
conversion would be staggering, never mind the cost. Likely it would
be necessary to ground all aircraft for a period of some months to
accomplish it. And the first test of the system would necessarily
be a full scale test. There is no assurance that new sorts of EMC
problems wouldn't result from such a conversion. It is a dumb idea,
and the ICAO has recognized that it is a dumb idea.

What is being done instead is to add additional systems to be
operated in parallel with the older systems. And the older systems
must be able to operate unimpaired until every last aircraft and

every last ground station is equipped with newer equipment which has been field proven to have superior performance and less susceptability to EMI. And that means a prudent ban on passenger consumer electronics must continue.

One new system, GPS nav receivers, which are both digital and spread spectrum, has already shown an unexpected susceptability to EMI from certain consumer electronic products, so there is no real assurance that use of SOTA modulations and equipment would remove the need to ban consumer electronics operation on aircraft. The number of possible mixing products from consumer equipment is staggering. If only 50 different types of consumer emitters are on board, there are 3.041*10^64 different possible mixes. And the next load of passengers would bring on board a different mix.

This sort of problem didn't exist in the past because passengers didn't have a wide array of portable electronic devices that they wanted to use on an aircraft. The AM systems worked just fine in that environment, with a proven record of over half a century. It is the relatively recent introduction of a wide array of portable consumer electronics which has changed the situation. And we have no reason to believe that new systems will be less susceptable to certain combinations of them, though perhaps not the *same* combinations which upset the AM equipment. The reasonable and prudent solution is to remove this unnecessary EMC load from aircraft by banning the use of these consumer devices in flight. They are *not* necessary to flight operations, they are merely a passenger convienence. To sacrifice flight safety for passenger convienence would be the height of folly.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2547. Re: Transverting with a Kenwood TS 450 ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34ce04c8.490296166@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180465
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 19:41:18 GMT, andrewd@ozemail.com.au (Andrew Davis)
wrote:
>
>I can't speak for Kenwood but it seems they don't believe we need
>transverters any more. Why? Probably because they would prefer us to
>buy a new radio that includes a "VHF" band. 6m is now a standard
>inclusion in many "HF" radios, reducing the potential need for
>transverters by a huge number. Now ICOM have announced the 746 with
>100 watts on HF, 6m and 2m. So the only people needing a transverter
>now are the very small number who want to use linear modes on bands
>above 148. So probably it just isn't worth complicating an HF rig
>with something a small minority is interested in. Those buyers will
>have to use an older radio instead!

The reality is that there has never been a large demand for, or use
of, transverters with HF radios in the first place. And now there is
even less demand and reason for them thanks to the popularity of
VHF+ multimodes and the expansion of most HF rigs to include
6m. The transverter jacks (and associated internals) have become
an unnecessary expense in a market where price competition has
become increasingly cutthroat.

Now I'm not happy about that, because I'm in that small minority
who use transverters, but that's the reality of the situation. To
most purchasers of HF rigs, transverter capability is about as
useful as tits on a boar hog. Those of us who do use transverters
likely have the expertise to modify a radio to work with them in
any event, so the issue is really moot.

Gary
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2548. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: bbwb@wonder.net
Message-ID: <6al0n5$7ia$1@gte2.gte.net>
Source record: 180466

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 13:05:46 GMT, jon <jonm1cck@zetnet.co.uk> wrote:

>Mike
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>Just learn the code as it is and no more. I was taught opposites and
>associations and it is causing me nothing but grief.
>I am at about 12wpm and soon to take my test but strugling to read at
>this speed due to the way I was taught, I keep confusing A's and N's etc.
>I think that it would be a good thing to learn code in a foreign
>language so that you are not expecting the rest of the word as you do
>not recognise it.
>
>Let me know how you get on.
>Good luck
>
>Jon M1CCK

Passed my 13 wpm a week ago. I was having the same problem with mixing up the letters, anticipating words etc. What I found that helped me was to get on the air and make at least 1 or 2 QSO's a night. I also would just listen to someone elses QSO and not write it down, just listen and see if I could just understand the conversation. What I found after a while was that alot of the letters I did not have to think about, it just appeared(the sound is the letter) some are still a little rough. When I would copy my QSO's on paper I would just try to forget what the message was and just copy. The on air QSO's also got me out of that "stage fright mode".

Just a side note. Got on the air one night on 75M, called CQ and a local ham that I knew answered. He had a sked with two other hams a little later than when I called and we were in a CW round robin. They were much faster at code but did lower it a bit, but not enough for me to copy easily :) Well I think it helped by stretching me. Had that QSO going for a couple of hours.

That's my two cents.

2549. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Kevin Jessup <kevin.jessup@mail.mei.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2b41$f604a4d0$6fb3ba97@jessup2>
Source record: 180467

> > I'm just starting to learn the code, and I have Mr. West's code tapes. They are
> > doing okay so far, but I was curious about anyone else's tips or helpful hints?
> > I don't want or need any "shortcuts", there's too much of that in the testing
> > policy already!

Now I'M curious... What shortcuts did you take on the theory? ;-))

2550. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5bcu@qsl.net
Message-ID: <885920856.2136604681@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

While I may agree that there needs to be some degree of change to the code requirements for testing purposes, I think that you are all being a bunch of spoiled brats. Aren't there enough things in the world to argue about already? Aren't there enough threats to amateur radio already? Why can't we get together, sit down and discuss the issues at hand without calling each other names and cursing at one another. Act like adults, or this issues (or another issues somewhere down the road) may very well kill amateur radio. Let's have some level headed dicussion about solving the problems that we have. why not propose that the code requirement be dropped for maybe five years, and then see how many new hams are licensed in those five years. Then we can see just how much of a barrier 13wpm code is. That is just one suggestion from a new ham (been licensed a whole 7 months). I'm not saying that this is the proper solution to this issue, just an idea.

I think there is a good argument for dropping the code reqs, but I want my General before the turn of the century, so I'M LEARNING CODE. Maybe if all the no-coders (I don't consider myself to be one) would spend half of their time studying code and the other half looking for logical arguments for dropping the code reqs, the might find that code isn't that big of an issue.

I'll get off of my soap-box now. I have code to learn.

73,
John
kd5bcu

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2551. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6al04j$6j4$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180469
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CDBCA8.2D82@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>> Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
>> to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
>> artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
>> active licensees.
>
>Michael, please explain to us why codeless tech licenses are more
>inflated than any other license class scheduled to expire at the
>same time as the codeless tech license.

I'm sure you understand the term "active licensees", Cecil.

MD

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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2552. Re: Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dennis Jacobson <n6ng@sj.bigger.net>
Message-ID: <34CE148E.56BF@sj.bigger.net>
Source record: 180470

Several:
http://www.systemtechnik.tu-ilmenau.de/ham/qsldb_gate.html
http://promet12.cineca.it/htlzh/qsl.html
http://www.ipass.net/~teara/dx.html
http://www-dx.deis.unibo.it/htlzh/
http://www.aras-sara.ca/arasbook.htm
http://www.ualr.edu/~hamradio/callsign.html
http://www.coredcs.com/~mtw/
http://www.systemtechnik.tu-ilmenau.de/ham/qsldb_gate.html

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73... Dennis N6NG INTERNET: n6ng@sj.bigger.net
Retired: Just another road kill on the Information Highway.

2553. Re: Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: k4yn@america.net
Message-ID: <34ce18b8.1803026@news.america.net>
Source record: 180471

richw@webcom.com (Rich Wales) wrote:

>donrm@sr.hp.com (Don Montgomery) wrote:

>Actually, my impression of CVC 5005 is that if an amateur changes his
>call, he is required (or, at least, expected) to surrender any plates
>with his old call. Has anyone out there from California actually done
>this? Did the DMV let you keep the old plates (minus the registration
>sticker, of course) as souvenirs? What about hams in other states?
>
>Rich Wales richw@webcom.com http://www.webcom.com/richw/
>NR6BW, ex-VE3HKZ, ex-WA6SGA

In Georgia I had to turn in my old call letter plate before they would
even send me the new one with my new call sign..This had to be done at
the state level and not through the regular county tag office.
73 Ron K4YN

2554. Re: how to build a radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6al7lbohg1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 180472

In article <34CB82C4.5A57@wace.com>, Shaike Ben-Ari <sbenari@wace.com> wrote:
>My name is Lee,
>for my 7 grade science project I desided to build a radio reciever.
>If anyone has a good idea of how to build a simple and easy radio
>reciever please reply.
> thanks Lee

A company called MFJ sells a kit that receives a range of frequencies and cost
$60.

Web page is www.mfjenterprises.com or call 800-647-1800.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

2555. Re: Vanity Callsigns

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6al7r8ohg2@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 180473

Does anyone know what charge if any for renewal for a "vanity" call signe
which is actually a bereavement reassignment (having gotten the call sign of
a deceased relative and now up for renewal)?

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

2556. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6al7v4$hl@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34C861CF.12E1@wf.quik.com>,
Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com> wrote:
>I am planning a trip soon. I forgot the secret sign that
>we Pro Code Hams use, in case we are broke down on the side
>of the road, to signal another Pro Coder for help.

A sign....by a pro-coder, broke down on the side of the road....hummm.

How 'bout, "I don't need any help from you lazy no-gooders! Go away!... and
don't let the door hit you in the ass as you pass by. I'd just as soon
stay here and rot."

Sorta captures the attitude, don'cha think?

2557. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CE4434.5935@nb.net>
Source record: 180475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

W6RCA wrote:
>
> DoD COMM wrote:
> > If they
> > don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
> > won't become Amateur Radio operators!
>
> Oh Yeah? Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators (especially
> the PhDs who have forgotten more about ham radios that most hams
> will ever know).
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA

What's that have to do with anything?
We are talking about meeting the requirements to
obtain a Amateur Radio license. Your occupation
has nothing to do with it.

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2558. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CE27F8.B8DD2779@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Some pretty good stuff by MD cut for brevity as I will only address the following.

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

>
> There is no resistance to change in amateur radio. Amateur radio is many
> things to many people. Some like EME, some like CW. However, we are a
> nation of laws. Amateur radio has a series of regulations to follow, and
> some of those deal with licensing requirements. Fulfill the requirements
> and get a license. Its that easy.
>
> MD

I dissagree a tad with your statement that "there is no resistance to change in amature radio". Those folks suggesting no more code testing, as a change to the service, is meeting much resistance.

You are correct in that we live by the regs or laws of the country and that is precisely what is being asked for here. Many want the regulation/law concerning Morse Code testing as a requirement for Ham licensing be eliminated. Many, including yourself realize that CW no longer holds the same relevance it did 30 years or so ago.

This whole thing reminds me of my time as a kid in New Mexico. My two brothers and I took on milking cows for my Uncle after we did our chores. Every morning and nite we would go to the corral and try to git it done. But my Uncle kept a pretty tough Bull in the corral with the cows and every time we had to whip the bull before we could safely turn our back on him. I asked my Uncle why it was nessessary to have the bull there and he said, "everybody knows you have to have a bull", and he was of course correct. But, I suggested, why not keep him in another corral, available when we NEED him, and not in our face when we don't. Hell, even the cows, most of them, liked the idea.

Regards,

Ed
d

2559. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CE2565.B37A0885@flash.net>
Source record: 180477
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

James W. KELLEY wrote:

> In follow-up to all, and to none in particular, I claim we should take it
> (the "debate") to 3950. We appear to be not all that different from those
> we have decried - mostly the subject matter is different. Let's just
> fire up the silver wires and have at it. I can hear it now. Yelling
> and jamming and cursing each other in the name of our particular cause.
> The frequency would be the same, the tone of the participants would be
> the same, only the names (and the callsigns) would change - and we'd have
> the added dimension of instant censure! What say ye all? Shall we tone
> it down a bit - or change the name of the newsgroup to e3950?
>
> Jim Kelley AC6XG

Well it's an interesting thought Jim but who are we going to talk to, the
no-coders cant go to 3950!
Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept."
- Cutie Boy, 98

2560. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6al93f$u3@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6ajdnt$5bo$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:

>There is nothing "huge" nor "ever growing" about the codeless tech
>license. Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
>to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
>artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
>active licensees.

Hey Michael,

Do Technician licenses expire at a different rate than General class
licenses? ;-)

By the way, you should examine the number of Technician licenses which
have been obtained over the past 7 years, and then compare that with the
number of new General Class (or any other class) licenses which have been
obtained over the same interval.

jk

2561. Re: Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Darrel Waller <career_darrel@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <uwSuSM1K9GA.121@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 180479

Rich Wales wrote in message <19980127061742.02606.richw@webcom.com>...
>donrm@sr.hp.com (Don Montgomery) wrote:
>
> [CVC 5005] (b) The department shall not issue more than
> one set of special plates for any licensed amateur radio
> station.
>Actually, my impression of CVC 5005 is that if an amateur changes his
>call, he is required (or, at least, expected) to surrender any plates
>with his old call. Has anyone out there from California actually done
>this? Did the DMV let you keep the old plates (minus the registration
>sticker, of course) as souvenirs? What about hams in other states?

Here in Wyoming, you can get 2 sets of plates with the same markings, one set for a car and one set for a pickup (truck) [see www.state.wy.us and have a look at the state statutes for yourself]. Donno anyone that has actually gone off and got call-sign plates.....

Darrel
KC7ZCA
Tripoli 4627 L2
http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/4545/

2562. NEW HAM RADIO NEWS!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "KB8UYZ.COM" <dan@Kb8uyz.com>
Message-ID: <34CE23B2.7B1@Kb8uyz.com>
Source record: 180480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

January 27, 1998

KB8UYZ.COM has now changed its site content to focus more on amateur radio news and information. The site will be updated directly from the KB8UYZ Newswire and other sources, to provide you the very latest amateur radio news.

We would appreciate any comments on our new look and features, and certainly would appreciate your news input! If you know of any news that you feel should be on our site, submit it to us, and we will post it!

Thanks again for your visits to KB8UYZ.COM. The site is still available via http://kb8uyz.com.

73's
Dan KB8UYZ
dan@Kb8uyz.com

2563. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6al9rl$1ea@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180481
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CE2565.B37A0885@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>James W. KELLEY wrote:
>
>> In follow-up to all, and to none in particular, I claim we should take it
>> (the "debate") to 3950.

>Well it's an interesting thought Jim but who are we going to talk to, the
>no-coders cant go to 3950!
>Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Well hello there Tim. Please pay closer attention to the callsigns around
here. With a few noteable exceptions, most of us have privileges on
that part of the band.

Point is, there's little difference to the level of rancor there and
here. The high and mighty conduct themselves with equal disgrace on the
internet and on the libertynet.

Jim Kelley, AC6XG

"There's a fine line between cleaver and stupid."

Nigel Tufnel, Spinal Tap

2564. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34CE2FAA.FED77470@flash.net>
Source record: 180482
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> >
> > : The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
> > : (for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
> > : language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
> > : use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.
> > ^^^^^^^^
>
> No, the correct analogy would be...
>
> Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
> People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham
> License,

Forced? I guess we would then have to say they were FORCED into taking a radio/ electronics exam to get their Technician class eh?

> even if they will only be using VOICE!! No one forces you to
> learn Russian, if you only plan on living in the US and want to speak
> English!!
>

No one forces you to learn code either, if you want to do business in Russia learn Russian, if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. Seems pretty simple. Otherwise use the 130 MHz of band space above 30 Mhz to your hearts content.

> Why waste time learning something that you are not going to ever use?!

The same could be said for our Universities, as an Electrical Engineer do you really need to know about Eastern Civilizations? Probably not, but your still required to take many electives that have nothing to do with Electrical Engineering. The reason is to provide the Graduate student with a well rounded education. Learning code is in the same genera, You may decide not to use it but you have a knowledge of it nevertheless.
Tell your professor that your entitled to your MBA and you think it's wrong for the University to FORCE you to take a marketing class because you have no intention of ever doing any marketing. See how far that argument gets you.

Tim, ka8ddz

2565. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CE3B73.973AF4B9@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180483
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

Mark Morgan wrote:

> > Does not seem to be a problem for the thousands of new no-code techs that
> get
> > licensed each year. If they are happy using vhf and find their "nitch"
> there
> > then FB. Otherwise they can study a bit and upgrade. Of the several
> no-code
> > hams I know on more than just a *ham radio* basis, not one of them has
> > anything against having to learn the code if they want to upgrade.
>
> I would that you are either lying or have a very limited aquatanship
>

Hi Mark,Not really, I just don't tend to develop friendships for very long with folks who are afraid to work for something and want every thing handed to them on a silver platter. Granted there are some folks out there that just can't learn CW for some type of handicap and there are programs in place to handle those conditions.

>
>
> Digital pentrates better,

Yep! And guess what? CW is digital. It is a simple reliable digital protocol. It can get through when other digital protocols can't.

> and even Morse can be better sent by machine
> than by people, thus even the uses for morse dont seem to justify
> learning it by hand.

Not really, current use of rtty, packet, and gtor takes a much better signal to noise ratio get through than CW does. In packet modes with error correction the throughput can be almost zero because of repeat packets. A good cw operator can often copy through the noise and fill in lost characters. The human brain is still the best filter of noise and interference in weak signal conditions.

>
> >
> > For another it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks.
> Before
> > we lower the requirements let's get some teeth into the enforcement of the
>
> > rules to get the garbage ops off the ham bands.

> >
>
> Gee if Morse Filters People then why are there any "garbage
> operators
>

Ahhh, parroting the party line are we. Maybe you failed to see that I said "it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks". No system of testing will ever get rid of all of the bad operators. There will always be a percentage of any group who abuse what they have. At this time CW testing does keep those numbers down on hf. All I have to do to confirm this is listen to 11 meters or even some of the operators on two meters. Maybe we do need to address the cw issue at some point, but, before we do, we must find a way to get rid of the garbage on the bands keep it off in the future. Doing anything else will just turn HF into total chaos.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2566. FS. Kenwood TS 570D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: Emma Huntley <solomon@zetnet.co.uk>
Message-ID: <19980127200549838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
Source record: 180484

Re-advertised due to time waster My immaculate TS 570D HF tranceiver.
It is ten months old and has a 5 year all risks warranty with
accidental damage cover. It has only been used for Rx as I am still
not licenced for HF.
Genuine reason for sale. £950 or near offer. Can deliver within
reasonable distance.

Jon M1CCK Dorset UK

2567. Re: Ten-Tec 2m-6m transverter questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: mark depaepe <MADepaepe@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6ajd0f$qlb@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180524
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I built the 6m transverter,it was simple,just time consuming. I got a bad driver transistor in the kit,and I have not put the good one in yet. I bought another 6m radio,so I never completely finished it,but it was not hard to build,you won't have any problems.
73 Mark

LHS <c3p0@starwars.com> wrote in article
<uSjGGPpK9GA.165@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>...
>
> I have ordered a Ten_Tec 1209A 2 to 6 meter transverter kit. Anyone out
> there have any experience building this kit or operating with the
> transverter?
>
>
> Any kit building hints would be appreciated. Also operating tips.
>
> Thanks and 73
> Lawrence K5LHS
>
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>

2568. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127015500.UAA01264@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180525

>I think the time will come when
>the majority will break off on its own and leave the old guard to die,
>which many have already. So welcome the new, and the change!

And drown in their own toilet(you, too, Larry).

K&#65533;MB

2569. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6ajer2$5ci@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180526
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In follow-up to all, and to none in particular, I claim we should take it (the "debate") to 3950. We appear to be not all that different from those we have decried - mostly the subject matter is different. Let's just fire up the silver wires and have at it. I can hear it now. Yelling and jamming and cursing each other in the name of our particular cause. The frequency would be the same, the tone of the participants would be the same, only the names (and the callsigns) would change - and we'd have the added dimension of instant censure! What say ye all? Shall we tone it down a bit - or change the name of the newsgroup to e3950?

Jim Kelley AC6XG

2570. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127023600.VAA08413@ladder01.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180527

In article <34cd07ef.256360156@news.visi.net>, somebody@somewhere.com writes:

>All of "Drews" information is a matter of public record.

Depends on what you post. Most states have enacted "Right to Privacy" statutes in recent years which severely restrict the types of information that can be made public about an individual. In addition, these statutes provide for civil and/or criminal penalties if an individual's legal right to privacy is violated.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2571. new ham related links and stuuf FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc7zwg@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127025200.VAA12610@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180528

http://members.aol.com/KC7ZWG/hamshack.html

2572. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6ajhmo$7i5@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180529
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>, Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com> wrote:
>I think the real issue between all the discussion in amateur radio today
>is whether or not the old guard is ready to relinquish control to the
>new, in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless
>Technicians.

No problem. They can have control over all amateur spectrum above 50 MHz.
Jeff KH2PZ

2573. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6aji0i$7ka@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180530
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CD5C15.3733@nb.net>, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:

Hey Walt - I did *not* write the following:

>Jeffrey Herman wrote:
>
>> > Many people, who would be interested in Amateur radio are put
>> >off by the code requirements.

Please be more careful with the attribution lines so you don't misquote
someone.

Jeff KH2PZ

>So??? Just because someone "wants" to become a
>Amateur Radio operator, doesn't mean we have to
>bend over backwards and and reduce the quality
>of new, incoming hams because some can't meet
>the requitements. The Amateur Radio hobby has
>drastically taken a turn for the worse when the
>FCC stopped giving exams and added the No-Code
>Tech license. I would have loved to have been a
>F-15 pilot, but I didn't meet the "requirements".
>We shouldn't make the requirements any easier to
>become a Amateur Radio operator just because a
>bunch of people complain about the code! If they
>don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
>won't become Amateur Radio operators!
>
>Walt.
>CW FOREVER!

2574. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980127030401.WAA14891@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180531

In article <34CD54D5.BCD@nb.net>, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> writes:

>.....Instead of wasting time visiting idiot web pages...use CW!

Typical ancient, fossilized, head-in-the-sand thinking which will ultimately
bring down the final curtain on the hobby known as "amateur radio."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2575. Re: Attention * Montreal Area Accessible Repeaters *

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: master@mmbbs.dyn.ml.org
Message-ID: <34cd6caf.14320338@news.iamerica.net>
Source record: 180532
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner

On Sat, 24 Jan 1998 12:51:22 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

Why does that URL take me to geocities???
Why not just post
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/amateur/repeater.htm

>http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
>http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
>http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
>
>
> - All Amateur Bands -> 10m to 900 MHz !! It includes packets
>!!
>
> - 130 amateur repeaters (including illegal ones !!) and
>amateur beacons listed !!
>
> - CTCSS Info Included !!
>
> - Autopatch info
>
> - Repeater ID
>
> - Net info
>
> - 1W HT accessible from Downtown Montreal ? It answers for
>you !!
>
>
>Available at:
>
>http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
>http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/repeater.htm
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2576. Re: where does "lid" come from?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Greg Jones", WD5IVD <wd5ivd@tapr.org>
Message-ID: <6ajt24$865$1@hornet.fibr.net>
Source record: 180533

In article <34C8CECB.FC500FA2@ix.netcom.com> M Johnson, silversq@ix.netcom.com writes:
>Hi Gary,
>My granddad was a railroad telegrapher. He said that the term lid came from
>operators who would put the lid of a Prince Albert tobacco tin on the sounder
>so they could copy the code easier. It was a practice that was frowned on by
>operators who did not have to do this and it became the slang used for bad
>operators. They would also say that such an operator had a "tin ear".
>
>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA
>

My Grandfather was a SantaFe railroad telegrapher and station manager forever in Central Texas. I heard the same story on the subject.

So figure we probably have something going here as to this legend.

Cheers - Greg

2577. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-27 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6aju93$nj9@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180534
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 12:38:25 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> posted:

> So Masa what are you doing to the honor of your family that has sent you
>abroad for an education? Do they know of the shame and dishonor you are
>bringing to your family and ancestors?

Pretty low blow .... :0(Shame and dishonor may not seemingly be strangers to
your ways, WA&#65533;DCA ....

>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA
>
>
>

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2578. Re: Callbook on the internet ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34d1762c.16950937@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 180327

Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk> wrote:

>In article <34CD8272.74437746@bk.bosch.de>, Tobias Kuechen
><Tobias.Kuechen@bk.bosch.de> writes

>>does anyone knows if there
>>exists a callbook on the internet ?
>>
>There is one on the Buckmaster site: "http/www.buck.com"
>Good luck

There's also QRZ at:

http://www.qrz.com/

and another callbook at:

http://www.ualr.edu/~hamradio/callsign.html
--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

2579. Re: Call Sign License Plates

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rick Mudd <rickmuddx@teleport.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2b82$4c4e88c0$59a4cacc@dad>
Source record: 180328

Of course they could get "stolen" off your car while you were in the
7-11...

RJ <k4yn@america.net> wrote in article
<34ce18b8.1803026@news.america.net>...
> richw@webcom.com (Rich Wales) wrote:
>
> >donrm@sr.hp.com (Don Montgomery) wrote:
>
> >Actually, my impression of CVC 5005 is that if an amateur changes his
> >call, he is required (or, at least, expected) to surrender any plates
> >with his old call. Has anyone out there from California actually done
> >this? Did the DMV let you keep the old plates (minus the registration
> >sticker, of course) as souvenirs? What about hams in other states?
> >
> >Rich Wales richw@webcom.com http://www.webcom.com/richw/
> >NR6BW, ex-VE3HKZ, ex-WA6SGA
>
> In Georgia I had to turn in my old call letter plate before they would
> even send me the new one with my new call sign..This had to be done at
> the state level and not through the regular county tag office.
> 73 Ron K4YN
>
>
>

2580. FS: ICOM IC-275H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: ggadwa@cyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34ce7946.4330306@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 180329

FOR SALE: ICOM IC-275H All Mode, 2 meters, 100 Watts,
Perfect Never Mobile. Includes Microphone, Original Box, Manual and
ICOM Service Manual.
Great Radio, Hot Receiver and Scans 138 thru 174 Mhz. $1,000.00 and I
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Check.

GARY GADWA WA7FSI
Box 50 Hwy 75
Stanley, IDAHO 83278
208-774-3321
ggadwa@cyberhighway.net

2581. Re: retest everyone

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6am1a4$ie5$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180330

"Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net says,

>Yes, I think that retesting everyone on a yearly basis is the best
>way to clear out the bands......and lets make the requirment of the test
>a broken 12 volt power supply with a blown fuse....this would fail about
>30% of the "hams" right off the bat.....second if you added a shorted
>diode to the test ....anothe 30% would be failed.....and another 10%
>would fail from electric shock..(failure to unplug unit).... The other
>30%
>that could send and copy code would leave the hobby........because all of
>the hams they used to talk to would be off the air........

I'd like to see this test given to the ones who haven't taken a ham test
in over thirty years.

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2582. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6am1i4$ie5$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180331

cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) says,

>Awhile back, someone posted Drew's name, address, callsign, and date-of-birth
>on this newsgroup. Obviously, they got their information from an old copy of
>QRZ or similar database, where it was public information at the time. But
>since then, the FCC has deleted DOB information, due to privacy concerns that
>were raised. So, would it still be considered "public information" and
>legally-permissable to post such information?

I'm just guessing at this, but I would say that if the information was
public knowledge at the time it was obtained, then it would be legally
permissable.

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2583. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6am1o0$ie5$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180332

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> says,

>Ahhh, parroting the party line are we. Maybe you failed to see that I said
>"it does filter at least some of the lids out of the ranks". No system of
>testing will ever get rid of all of the bad operators. There will always
be
>a percentage of any group who abuse what they have. At this time CW testing
>does keep those numbers down on hf. All I have to do to confirm this is
>listen to 11 meters or even some of the operators on two meters. Maybe we
do
>need to address the cw issue at some point, but, before we do, we must find a
>way to get rid of the garbage on the bands keep it off in the future. Doing
>anything else will just turn HF into total chaos.
>
>
>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA

If you outlaw contests that crowd the airwaves every weekend, your problem
is solved.

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2584. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6am29e$ie5$5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180333
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> says,

>On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate.
>Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they
>graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they

<snip>

More and more schools are doing away with foreign language requirements and
departments. Amateur radio would do good to follow this example by doing
the same with the code test requirement.

>Nobody is holding a gun to anyone's head forcing them to learn CW. If you
>don't want to learn CW and just work phone fine. Stick with VHF or go to CB.
>
>
>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA

Here's what I suggest if you *really* want to get on HF and you don't feel
like waiting for the code test to be eliminated:

Take the 13 wpm test. When you pass it and get your ticket, take a sledge
hammer and smash your Bencher keyer paddles in front of the the most
die-hard code advocate you know. This ought to show them what you think
of their antiquated hazing ritual.

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2585. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6am1u7$ie5$4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180334
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> says,

>The same could be said for our Universities, as an Electrical Engineer do
>you really need to know about Eastern Civilizations? Probably not, but your
>still required to take many electives that have nothing to do with
>Electrical Engineering. The reason is to provide the Graduate student with a
>well rounded education. Learning code is in the same genera, You may decide
>not to use it but you have a knowledge of it nevertheless.
>Tell your professor that your entitled to your MBA and you think it's wrong
>for the University to FORCE you to take a marketing class because you have
>no intention of ever doing any marketing. See how far that argument gets
>you.
>
>Tim, ka8ddz

The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
the pike since compound interest. It's just an excuse to get a few extra
bucks in tuition out of students who already up to their arses in student
loans.

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2586. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cea226.1084391@news.total.net>
Source record: 180335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 13:19:33 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

> My dogs know CW.

huh ??

>73,
>Mark
>WA0DCA
>

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2587. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6am3lb$sat@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Bellows <abellows@idog.com> wrote:
>>Someone@somewhere wrote:

>> : The same arguement can be used here that is used by the no-coders
>> : (for which Code is a Foreign Language) ... Why bother learning a
>> : language, there are plenty of translation programs out there for
>> : use by people who are too lazy to learn the foreign language.

>No, the correct analogy would be...
>Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.

Bad analogy. When about half the people speak that foreign language,
then that's reason enough for you to learn it. You might not have
any intention to speak that language yourself, but because that language
can be spoken anywhere you intend to go (operate), you should be
knowledgable of it.

Jeff KH2PZ

2588. Re: [[When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CFB63B.CAF@geocities.com>
Source record: 180337
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: 28 Jan 1998 05:37:06 GMT
> From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
> Organization: University of Hawaii
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy
> Followup-To: rec.radio.amateur.policy
> References: <19980124151638838O2@zetnet.co.uk>
<19980126025601.VAA26944@ladder01.news.aol.com> <6am29e$ie5$5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
>
> Why are you posting this to r.r.shortwave, Rigley?
>
> Rigley L. Case <rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com> wrote:
> >More and more schools are doing away with foreign language requirements and
> >departments.
>
> Please name a few of the more well-known campuses (you can skip the
> "degree mills"), and their justification for dropping such courses.

Purdue Wlaf In IUPUI Inpls IN Indian University Bloomington IN
>
> >Amateur radio would do good to follow this example by doing
> >the same with the code test requirement.
>
> Not when about half the QSOs on HF are conducted in code. Remember,
> it's the only mode that's allowed anywhere on any band, and it's
> the only mode all the world's HF-licensed hams* have in common.
> These are reasons enough to know it.

Not when machine can send and deocde it. By machine is the only way I
will ever transmit it

>
> Jeff KH2PZ
>
> *Discounting the restricted, low-power, local-communications only,
> CB-like Japanese license.

2589. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ao6vrogb2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180338
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) says,

>Why are you posting this to r.r.shortwave, Rigley?

Because I could care less were others before me have cross-posted when
I reply to something.

>Rigley L. Case <rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com> wrote:
>>More and more schools are doing away with foreign language requirements and
>>departments.
>
>Please name a few of the more well-known campuses (you can skip the
>"degree mills"), and their justification for dropping such courses.

Why should I bother then? You'll just it off as a "degree mill" because
it doesn't fit your stated criteria.

>>Amateur radio would do good to follow this example by doing
>>the same with the code test requirement.
>
>Not when about half the QSOs on HF are conducted in code. Remember,
>it's the only mode that's allowed anywhere on any band, and it's
>the only mode all the world's HF-licensed hams* have in common.
>These are reasons enough to know it.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ

That's the bandplan, but it's not reality. I rarely hear any CW QSOs in the
phone portions of HF. The reasons for learning CW are idiotic if you have
no intention of using that mode. 5 wpm should be good enough for anyone,
until the treaty can be changed.

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2590. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CFB734.6474@geocities.com>
Source record: 180339
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: Wed, 28 Jan 1998 09:38:34 -0700
> From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> Organization: Silver Squirrel
> Newsgroups:
rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy
> <34C68F7F.52FD@geocities.com>
<34C692D9.7068@geocities.com> 01bd2771$e9b84fc0$460d62d1@sirius>
<34c7ea78.2320059@news.total.net> 34C80957.5C5F@wf.quik.com>
<6ai41h$m2g@hpwin055.uksr.hp.com> <34CD9C92.676B@idog.com>
<34CE473E.525C13A6@ix.netcom.com> <6alp41$d5t@jupiter
>
> Bill Sohl wrote:
>
> > This really gets tiring. Most high schools have a broad array of
> > choices with only some classes being manadatory for all students.
> > People not planning on going to college rarely, if ever, are
required
> > to take a language or many other classes that academic track
students
> > are required to take.
>
> Hi Bill,And going right along with that reasoning people who want to
be on CB
> don't have to take technical training. People who want to work phone
only on
> vhf don't have to learn code. No problem.
>
> >
> >
> > The choices for classes are that of parent's and board of
> > educations.
>
> So why did my kids always have a list of classes to choose from
then? They
> had mandatory subjects but were usually given the choice of what
classes to
> take.
>
> Likewise, one can choose not to learn CW and work all of the phone
they want

> on VHF.
>
> > As to college courses, pick the right college
> > and you can probably not be forced to take a language.
>
> Yep, and your degree will be worth as much as a roll of toilet paper.

I am sure all the Graduates of Purdue Univerities School of
Science
will glad to hear that. In the three U's I have taken clases, no one
required to take any foriegn language, it an option, and the simplest
one at that, and many do, but one could take a bunch other course and
stay with nothing but english.

>
> > Government amateur testing requirements have no place
> > in even attempting to assess work, effort or dedication which
> > seems to be the only thing that many CW test advocates
> > see the CW test as being a yardstick for.
>
> The current method of administering the theory exam does not prove
that the
> person taking the exam really knows any theory. Go out and look at
70% of
> the so called license manuals and you will see that they have only
the
> question pool and hints for remembering the correct answer. They do
not cover
> any of the theory behind the test, nor do most give any reference to
where to
> go to get more information. Some of these advertise themselves as
the only
> thing you will need to pass the test. The only yard stick that we
have at
> this time is the CW test that still requires someone to put some
effort in to
> pass. As I have said before. Maybe we do need to address hf CW at
some
> time. But before we do we must get the garbage off of the bands and
find a
> way to keep them off.

And it is mighty white of you to suggest talking about maybe
looking at
CW after you do the impossible, find a way to keep those who create
garbage of the air. CW does not filter anything as far as I can see,
it
reduces the total number of operators, without any asurance that the
resulting ones are "better" proportionaly than population at large.

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

2591. Re: [[When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CFB2CE.7F36@geocities.com>
Source record: 180340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: 28 Jan 1998 05:09:55 GMT
> From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
> Organization: University of Hawaii
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy
> Followup-To: rec.radio.amateur.policy
> References: <34C68F7F.52FD@geocities.com> <34CD9C92.676B@idog.com>
<34CE2FAA.FED77470@flash.net> <6amaoj$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
>
> Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:
> >Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:
>
> >>... if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. ....
>
> > We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time. =0)
>
> In the meantime, you sure are missing lots of fun! With a homebuilt
> transmitter and a longwire antenna, I can work hams all around the
> Pacific.
>
> Jeff KH2PZ

This assumes that you can learn Morse in the first place. I have spent
years without sucess

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

2592. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ao6ocogb1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM (Charlie) says,

>>Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
>>than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
>>not be used in real life.
>
> I agree. However, would you not also agree that it is valuable to have
> AWARENESS of the existence of that "worthless information"? This is NOT
to say
> that one must then study that information in detail. If for no other
reason,
> such awareness, simplifies knowing and searching for more, IF and ONLY IF
one at
> some future time wishes to possess more detailed knowledge in a
particular area.
> Comment

The only thing that worthless information is for is if you want to be on
Jeopardy or to win at Trivial Pursuit

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2593. Optoelectronics Schematic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Nahum Morse <mor55ac@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <6ao7bv$1c28$5@newssvr04-int.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 180342

QRZ!

I'm looking for a manual (copied or otherwise) or a schematic
for a:

Optoelectronics Frequency Counter

Model FC50C

Problem with the prescaler? ANY info would be appreciated & will pay
reasonable cost for copying or manual.
Thank You in advance...

N1FRH

Nahum Morse

2594. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ao7l2ogb4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180343
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) says,

>> We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time.
=0)
>
>In the meantime, you sure are missing lots of fun! With a homebuilt
>transmitter and a longwire antenna, I can work hams all around the
>Pacific.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ

Yeah, right.

"HEY OM. TNX FER THE CALL. UR 599 - WX HR IS WARM" followed by mindless
drivel about rigs and antennas. Loads of fun (NOT!)

At least 75 meters is interesting when the jammers aren't busy.

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2595. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ao7o0ogb5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180344
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> says,

>You people are missing the point...
>If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
>Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!
>
>Walt.
>CW FOREVER!

I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements. I just didn't
feel like waiting for a bunch of olde fahrtz to die off.

****
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2596. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6ao7bpogb3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180345
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) says,

>>No, the correct analogy would be...
>>Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
>
>Bad analogy. When about half the people speak that foreign language,
>then that's reason enough for you to learn it. You might not have
>any intention to speak that language yourself, but because that language
>can be spoken anywhere you intend to go (operate), you should be
>knowledgable of it.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ

You should be more specific and say that half the people speak that
language, but only in certain portions of the band. They're rarely heard
in the phone sections of HF.

BTW, I passed the 20-wpm hazing ritual, which I shouldn't have had to do.
I don't care if I hear a "dit" or "dah" ever again.

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2597. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jkh@lexis-nexis.com
Message-ID: <6ao7pu$3ql@mailgate.lexis-nexis.com>
Source record: 180346
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I sadly believe that this is pretty much true. I'm 52 years old and got interested in ham radio when aabout 12. Circumstances made it impossible for me to get much past the SWL and ham wannabe stage until only the past year or so. Now with more time and money I decided to get back in. I found that things have changed a lot. The difference between the guys I knew 40 years ago and the young hams now is night and day. I *finally* managed to learn enough code to get my Tech+ but I found that the written test had evolved into a "baby" test that barely demonstrates ones knowledge of the basic rules. There is little technical knowledge required. It will get easier, too. Now that the FCC has essentially abandoned the airwaves to whatever you want to do, dropping *all* requirements for a license is sure to follow. Then the HF bands will become pretty much a zoo. 40 years ago the foul-mouthed lids who crowd the bands now were never allowed, but who will stop them now? The only bands worth being on will be what little CW only airspace that remains. There the few hams left who are dedicated enough to learn code on their own and get on the air with it, will persist in keeping a small part of ham radio as sophisticated, and gentlemanly, and technically accomplished as it once was. I think that the code requirement should be dropped immediatly, several CW only segments cut out on each HF band, and be done with it. 40 years ago I thought hams were pretty special people, folks to be looked up to, and admired. Many, many of those people are gone now, and not many are taking their place.
John Heck KC8ETS

In article <01bd2b6c$71ea8860$b40837a6@hp-customer>, "CW" <cw1@mci2000.com> writes:
>This whole discussion is pointless. The code requirement will die with the
>oldtimers. The average age of opperators on HF is getting older all the
>time and the number of upgrades is rapidly declining. I'm sure I will hear
>arguments to the contrary but look at the statistics. Which will die first,
>the oldtimers or the hobby?
>BTW, I am an old line machinist (manual machines, lots of hand work and
>old world craftsmanship). I now use computer controlled robotic machines
>to do in minutes what used to take hours. The old ways worked well but have
>become outdated and obsolete. Time to move on.
>--
>CW
>KC7NOD
>
>M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote in article
><34CE473E.525C13A6@ix.netcom.com>...
>> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>>
>> > No, the correct analogy would be...
>> >
>> > Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
>> > People are FORCED to learn Morse Code to get a certain class of Ham

>> > License, even if they will only be using VOICE!!
>>
>> On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to
>graduate.
>> Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after
>they
>> graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes
>they
>> don't plan to use. Why force anyone to take a math class, science
>class, or
>> history class if they don't want to. Better yet why don't we just teach
>them
>> too push the proper pre-programed buttons on the cash register and
>memorize
>> the phrase "Would you like fries with that order?". Why force anyone to
>lean
>> english beyond the word "suppressive". After all there really is not a
>need
>> to have anyone work for something in life is there? There is not reason
>that
>> anyone should have to put and effort out so they can feel they have
>> accomplished something.
>>
>> Nobody is holding a gun to anyone's head forcing them to learn CW. If
>you
>> don't want to learn CW and just work phone fine. Stick with VHF or go to
>CB.
>>
>>
>> 73
>> Mark
>> WA0DCA
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>> >
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2598. Looking for good simplex band (not HF)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mr.Hanky
Message-ID: <34cfb1aa.4050728@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 180347

Hi folks,
I'm studying to get my Tech plus license, and I'm trying to decide what band to operate on. I will probably get a mobile rig to begin with, and I would like to be able to talk at about a 50 mile range, if necessary. Any suggestions on a good band and a good (not too expensive) mobile rig to use for this? Also, is it possible to set up a mobile rig as a repeater, so one would be able to talk through it with a HT? Thank you for any help, and looking forward to some serious ragchewing with you!

2599. FS Heathkit TWOER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@mail.earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CF0C02.7A4E@mail.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180348

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For sale a Heathkit TWOER in pretty good shape missing plastic logo..can
be seen at http://home.earthlink.net/~docky look under "for sale",
asking $65 obo
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2600. Re: Help Mod for ADI AT600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cfb4a8.825077@news.total.net>
Source record: 180349
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 14:18:10 GMT, "Richard Scott KE4VGN"
<rlscott@bellsouth.net> wrote:

>I'm Looking for a mod for the ADI AT600...

http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/at600.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/at600.htm
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/at600.htm

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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
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2601. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cfb65c.1261129@news.total.net>
Source record: 180350

On Wed, 28 Jan 98 17:39:22 GMT, drmarc@wwa.com (marc schneider) wrote:

>If you are unable to do this then get the study tapes from RS for that speed
>and practice 20 minutes three times a day

I don't suggest practise tape because you will remember the phrases
eventually.

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2602. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cfb433.707904@news.total.net>
Source record: 180351
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 08:01:30 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:

> Just because you are a astronaut and have a No-Code

> Tech license doesn't make you a "ham"!
^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
" just because you have a extra license doesn't make you a 'ham' !
"

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2603. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6aoahj$20d$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180352
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6ao3c5$cjv@news.service.uci.edu>,
James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:

>Everyone's license is expiring today Michael! All amateur licenses begin
>to expire on the date they are issued.

Expiration is not a process. Expiration is a date. A single occurance.
It happens on the date listed on your license.

The first round of expirations on codeless techs will not occur until 2/2001.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2604. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cfb5b1.1090614@news.total.net>
Source record: 180353
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> The only yard stick that we
> have at

> this time is the CW test that still requires someone to put some
>effort in to
> pass.

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to put some effort in to pass.

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2605. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128230100.SAA02121@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180354

In article <6am29e$ie5$5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
(Rigley L. Case) writes:

>
Take the 13 wpm test. When you pass it and get your ticket, take a
>sledge
hammer and smash your Bencher keyer paddles in front of the the
>most
die-hard code advocate you know. This ought to show them what you
>think
of their antiquated hazing ritual.

Better yet, give him the paddles and keyer and show him you don't need them;
that you can send decent 20 WPM code with a straight key and copy same in your
head.

It's not a hazing ritual. It's not a connection to "the good ol' days", though
some of us do happen to wax nostalgic over CW. It's not necessarily the most
robust mode either, with Pactor II for one giving it a good run for the money.
But, it is the cheapest, it is not spectrum-hungry, and it encourages
homebrewing requiring only simple designs. It is a good beginning place for
the newcomer. I don't need a $3000 station to copy CW, nor to send it.

If it weren't for CW, I would never have become a ham. Couldn't have afforded
it.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2606. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128230100.SAA02128@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180355

In article <34CF86BF.23EBAB76@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson
<silversq@ix.netcom.com> writes:

>
Rigley L. Case wrote:

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>
> If you outlaw contests that crowd the airwaves
>every weekend, your problem
> is solved.
>

I hate contests, because I find them boring and meaningless as I am more of a rag-chewer. I too sometimes resent the bands being so crowded on weekends with OMs interested only in exhanging the numbers and getting it all over with in a 30 second QSO. Nevertheless, I have to admit it is a valuable tool in building operator skills. Paper-hanging has without a doubt turned many mediocre ops into fairly good ones, so let's not condemn it out of hand.

On weekends, I like 30 and 17, myself. I don't even listen on 20. Try those two bands if you need a little breathing room and especially if you just want a good ragchew.

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2607. Re: CW test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128225900.RAA13264@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180356

In article <6anesf$7t5@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>, kh2d@kuentos.guam.net (Jim Kehler) writes:

>
Audrius Brazdeikis <audrius@uh.edu> wrote:

>Can someone please describe how
>the CW exam is conducted.
>Thanks,

>Audrius

That depends on the VE team
>giving the test. First, 5 minutes of
Morse code at the speed of the test
>(5,10, or 20 wpm) is sent, usually
with a tape recorder. Then a written
>test is administered about the
contents of the test. Ten questions, multiple
>guess or fill in the blank
depending on the VE team. Seven correct answers
>usually passes.
One solid minute of copy usually passes too. But it all
>depends on
the whims of the VE team giving the test.

73, Jim KH2D

This is the way I had it, both when I went to get my original Tech license and when I upgraded to Extra. Come to think of it, my first VE team used a fill in the blank format and I missed out on an original General by one wrong answer. The VE teams have a lot of leeway in exactly how they conduct the exam.

One important detail you whould be aware of: most ARRL VE teams use Farnsworth code, i.e. for 5 WPM the characters are sent at around 18 WPM with the spaces lengthened to keep the actual throughput down to 5 WPM. The ARRL code practice tapes use this timing. Some others do not. Since that is the way I learned, my sending reflects this influence a bit, though most other ops use standard spacing. Most code tutor software, which is IMHO the very best single resource for learning the code, allows use of the Farnsworth technique. It is far easier to upgrade when you learned through the Farnsworth method, since it encourages identifying the characters by their entire unique sound rather than by counting dits and dahs. The counting method falls flat on it's face for most people at a little over 10 WPM and so is to be avoided at all costs. The phenomenon of the 10 WPM "hump" is well documented especially anecdotally by hams who sufferred and sweated trying to conquer it. Save yourself this misery by learning the

correct method from the start.

Contact your VE team beforehand, and they will probably tell you exactly how they will conduct the exam. This will save you any unpleasant surprises. The test is not a trial by ordeal. They WANT you to pass!

Generally, the 20 WPM test is given first, then the 13, and then the 5. Listen to the faster ones and try to pick out the odd letter here and there. This will help get you loosened up and build your confidence. In fact, you may as well go ahead and take one of the faster elements. It is, after all, multiple choice (Usually). Who knows? you could get 6 right for sure, guess on the rest, and odds are one of the other four you will guess right, giving you a passing score. If you have also studied the General Class study guide well enough to pass the written, your very first QSO could be on 20 meters!

The test requirements are pretty liberal. Take advantage of this and try to walk out of there with a General Class license earned. If you don't pass, the tech + will still be a cakewalk.

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2608. Re: CB Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: mailfrmpa@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128231000.SAA03708@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180357

>BTW, with all of the worry regarding
>>new ham recruits, does not
>everyone realize that 11 meters is probably the
>>most fertile grounds
>for ham recruits?
>
>

Sure. Then, we can read all their requests for "THE MODS" to make CB sets out of their new rigs.

K&#65533;MB

2609. WANT TO BUY HEATHKITS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@mail.earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CF1238.52F9@mail.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180358

I am looking to buy that old Heathkit that's collecting dust over there
in the corner....Turn it into cash..... Heathkit Collector
http;//home.earthlink.net/~docky

2610. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34CFD611.657D@geocities.com>
Source record: 180359
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> Subject: Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]
> Date: 28 Jan 1998 21:26:22 GMT
> From: jkh@lexis-nexis.com (John Heck)
> Organization: LEXIS-NEXIS, Dayton OH
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy
> References: <01bd2b6c$71ea8860$b40837a6@hp-customer>
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> John Heck KC8ETS

John
I think you would fine that amoug those who don't want to learn a skill
like CW contain gentlemen and foul mouthed slobs, just like any other
subset of the American Pop. But CW is a mode, and one that to use,
manuauly by ear, and hand has to be a lifestyle. The Idea to leave CW
only sections is fine with me (so long as this used to say open pieces
too small to use, or something like that) and suspect fine with many
people who oppose the code test, not all. However I don't think we will
ever drop all testing for a license. Now as to "bad People" crowding
the airwaves, yes maybe enforcement needs to be stepped up. Not being
on those bands I can't agree or disagree with you as to the need. But
these are seperate issues

as to those who why this is on r.r.shortwave, well take that up with
those who started the thread

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

2611. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CFC1BA.FF490E9F@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180360

RCrusoe wrote:

> On weekends, I like 30 and 17, myself. I don't even listen on 20. Try those
> two
> bands if you need a little breathing room and especially if you just want a
> good ragchew.

17 meters is a fun band to work. I have only had a radio that will work it
for about a month and have found it to be my most enjoyable band on the
weekends. You can actually get a DX contact and really talk to them for a
bit.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2612. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CFC66B.A487014A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180361
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

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> to put some effort in to pass.
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But it does not require one to have any technical knowledge. Just about anyone can spend a couple of weeks (If that long) just going over the question pool and become familiar enough with it to associate the correct answer with each question. Try it yourself. After you go through sections a couple of times you even stop reading the complete question. You only read far enough to trigger the association and then jump to the correct answer. Some of the current license manual are based on this and will even tell you so if you read between the lines. It does not prove you have learned anything about the theory involved. When the test was administered by the FCC you had to show the math used to arrive at the answer for questions that required calculations.

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What reasons do you give for that CB? I base mine on being able to go to 11 meters or sometimes 2 meters and hear a lot more poor or illegal operators than on HF phone. When I compare it with HF CW the difference makes it almost non existent.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2613. First Two Meter Rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: bk42047@swt.edu
Message-ID: <886036579.848429068@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180362
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.scanner

I am new to the world of ham radio and am hoping to recieve my technician license soon. Since I am new to ham radio, I am not sure what brands of radios are better than others and which models are best. I would like to buy a 2 meter mobile rig, preferably one that is under $300 dollars. I have thought about the radio shack htx-242, the icom ic-2000h, the alinco dr-140, and the kenwood tm-261a because they are all under $300 dollars. I was wondering if anyone could tell which of the above listed radios, or any other radio for under $300 would be best for a beginner. Any help or comments would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks

Brian

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2614. D & A Phantom 500 - Help Please!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <kscowboy@swbell.net>
Message-ID: <34CFDA34.7ED5@swbell.net>
Source record: 180363

I need ANY information anyone might have on one of these amps. I particularly need a schematic. Any and all help would be greatly appreciated. Please respond via E-mail. Thanks in advance. - Brian

2615. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <konstans@geocities.com>
Message-ID: <34D0068B.6BEB@geocities.com>
Source record: 180364
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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> calculations.
>
> > > we must get the garbage off of the bands and
> > >f ind a
> > > way to keep them off.
> >
> > CW requirement won't help unfortunately... it won't happen like many
> > pro-CWers suggest that CW will eliminate those people.
>
> What reasons do you give for that CB? I base mine on being able to go to 11
> meters or sometimes 2 meters and hear a lot more poor or illegal operators
> than on HF phone. When I compare it with HF CW the difference makes it almost
> non existent.

More or a higher proportion I note that you say CB is wrose than 2M
proof that CW is needed to produce a better operator

Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

2616. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: N8TB <sam@NOSPAMerinet.com>
Message-ID: <34D017FD.3A09@NOSPAMerinet.com>
Source record: 180365

Gdfthr768 wrote:
>
> Hey, guys, thanks for the replies. I am encouraged by your honesty and
> willingness to see that point of view. And I hope if any of you know Jim,
> understand that I was certainly not making any judgement about him as a person
> or a radio operator. He has a point that 5wpm is not the most proficient nor
> efficient speed to CW comm's, I can agree with that. I just don't like folks
> being discouraged by loose words that can hurt, even if the intention wasn't
> malicious.
> 5wpm is not where an able-minded op should STAY, but it's no problem for a
> while.
> My two cents, again!
> 73!
> Mike in MO.
Mike, Iv'e had more fun working 5 wpm on the novice subbands with
novices &
tech+ operators than I do working the old phartz down at the bottom 25
khz of the bands. I have had the pleasure of having several phone qso's
with operators that I had worked
earlier on the novice subbands. One fellow thanked me for taking a
couple of hours of my
time to help him along. It was great to actually hear his voice after
working him on cw.
There's some nasty curmudgeons on both sides of the code issue that
post their
poison on this ng. Consider the source(s), do what you feel is best, get
on the air with
your 5wpm cw, and have FUN.

73 Tim from Ohio.

2617. FT-MANAGER CRACK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greentown <pawlak@netusa1.net>
Message-ID: <6aosr7lon1@news.netusa1.net>
Source record: 180366

I am looking for a crack for FT-MANAGER it's a great program. Please post if you can.

2618. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D008B0.8E0@nb.net>
Source record: 180367
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 10:05:26 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> wrote:
>
> >DoD COMM wrote:
> >
> >> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!
> >
> >No matter where you stand on the Code/No-code for hf band operations there is
> >no reason to make statements like that. There are many fine no-code techs
> >doing a FB job in public service operations.
>
> and mainly no coders in public service...

There is more public service communications taking
place on the HF bands than the No-Code CB'ers do
playing around on the FM repeaters.

2619. WTB: Rohn 25G, Chicago area

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Rod Logsdon <bike4life@bikerider.com>
Message-ID: <34D01329.874D5136@bikerider.com>
Source record: 180368

I am looking for 3 sections of Rohn 25G. If you have any that you will part with at a reasonable price please E-mail me. I will pick-up within 75 mile radius of Chicago, IL.

Rod Logsdon WK9T
Carol Stream, IL
bike4life@bikerider.com

2620. Renewing Station License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: vandecar@quiknet.com
Message-ID: <vandecar.1.004F111D@quiknet.com>
Source record: 180369

I recently completed the standard FCC form for updating a station address. Upon receiving my new station license, I was surprised to see that my expiration was still only 2 years off. I expected my expiration to be extended for another 10 years. I even remember answering a question as to whether or not to renew the license.

Can anyone tell me the appropriate form to extend the expiration...been out of amateur for several years and now finding the time to return.

Darin

2621. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6amaop$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180386
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 27 Jan 1998 18:10:44 GMT, jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu (James W. KELLEY) posted:

>How 'bout, "I don't need any help from you lazy no-gooders! Go away!... and
>don't let the door hit you in the ass as you pass by. I'd just as soon
>stay here and rot."
>
>Sorta captures the attitude, don'cha think?
>
ROTFLMAO!!!!!!! =0) Bwwaaaahahahahahahahhhhaaaaaaaaaaa .....!

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2622. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6amaos$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180387
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:52:19 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> posted:

> No-Code International...where mentally arthritic
> individuals are deprived the true pleasures of
> Amateur Radio because they can't be real hams and
> learn/use the code!

The return of the mummy! For your homework assignment: 1.) Please note how many folks who support removing the Morse code testing requirement are Tech+ and above (the sources for this info are many); 2.) Please note that anyone who has passed any Amateur Radio licensing test is a real ham. 3.) Work out your personal angst, generated by the fact that you know 1.) and 2.) are for real and true. =0)

>And now back to our regular scheduled newsgroup.

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2623. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6amaoc$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180388
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:59:02 -0700, W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> posted:

>My measured IQ in high school was not anywhere near the MENSA level.
>
>Then I went off to college and gave up CW for a number of years. My
>IQ zoomed upward by about 40 points during my college years.
>
>73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)

Perhaps there is a message of wisdom in all this, eh, Cecil? =0)

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2624. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6amaoj$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180389
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:04:10 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:

>... if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. ....

We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time. =0)

>
>Tim, ka8ddz
>

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2625. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6amaom$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180390
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:04:10 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:

>The same could be said for our Universities, as an Electrical Engineer do
>you really need to know about Eastern Civilizations? Probably not, but your
>still required to take many electives that have nothing to do with
>Electrical Engineering. The reason is to provide the Graduate student with a
>well rounded education. Learning code is in the same genera, You may decide
>not to use it but you have a knowledge of it nevertheless.
>Tell your professor that your entitled to your MBA and you think it's wrong
>for the University to FORCE you to take a marketing class because you have
>no intention of ever doing any marketing. See how far that argument gets
>you.

It's also a well-known fact that undergraduate and post-graduate degree programs are constantly undergoing review, analysis, revision, change and improvement. This includes requirements as well as content. Sometimes, one initiates the other; the constant, however, is CHANGE.
IMO, CHANGE is something that is total anathema to the elitists populating the pro-code-test crowd. Why? IMNSHO, the pro-code-test crowd bases and places much, if not all, of the credit for their initial as well as continuing existence in the test. Additionally, it seems that many of those who demand retention of the test are fundamental traditionalists who have "always done it this/that way," who cannot tolerate change -- even when it is for betterment and the benefit of all in Amateur Radio.

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2626. Re: Under Age Schoolgirls - keep off net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128055300.AAA05098@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180391

Post it somewhere else, please. I hope you get what you want, but not here.

2627. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: orion@xyznycap.rr.com
Message-ID: <34d0c54b.58773870@news>
Source record: 180392
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:30:18 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:

>> So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
>> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
>> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
>> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>>
>> Gary
>> Gary Coffman KE4ZV
>
>Oh Gary, you are so very much in the dark!
>If you really believe this, then you have no
>idea of what transmissions are taking place
>in the world. As much as people want to get
>rid of CW...it will NEVER die. It is the ONLY
>mode that will get through when the going gets rough.
>
>Walt.

Yeah, right. If it's so efficient, why is it being phased out all over
the world except in the ARS? You and the ARRL are in the dark.
--

Larry Gamache N2YMJ

To reply, remove the
xyz from my address.

2628. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128060500.BAA06602@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180393

Hey, guys, thanks for the replies. I am encouraged by your honesty and willingness to see that point of view. And I hope if any of you know Jim, understand that I was certainly not making any judgement about him as a person or a radio operator. He has a point that 5wpm is not the most proficient nor efficient speed to CW comm's, I can agree with that. I just don't like folks being discouraged by loose words that can hurt, even if the intention wasn't malicious.
5wpm is not where an able-minded op should STAY, but it's no problem for a while.
My two cents, again!
73!
Mike in MO.

2629. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6amej3$61m@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:
>Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:

>>... if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. ....

> We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time. =0)

In the meantime, you sure are missing lots of fun! With a homebuilt
transmitter and a longwire antenna, I can work hams all around the
Pacific.

Jeff KH2PZ

2630. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6amev3$6b5@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie <plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM> wrote:
> Additionally, it seems that many of those who demand
>retention of the test are fundamental traditionalists who have "always done it
>this/that way," who cannot tolerate change -- even when it is for betterment
>and
>the benefit of all in Amateur Radio.

Okay Charlie, state why you believe dropping the code would be "for the
betterment and the benefit of all in Amateur Radio." (Why the caps?)

Jeff KH2PZ
(followups will appear *only* in r.r.a.policy, where this debate belongs)

2631. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6amg62$706@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180396
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Why are you posting this to r.r.shortwave, Rigley?

Rigley L. Case <rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com> wrote:
>More and more schools are doing away with foreign language requirements and
>departments.

Please name a few of the more well-known campuses (you can skip the
"degree mills"), and their justification for dropping such courses.

>Amateur radio would do good to follow this example by doing
>the same with the code test requirement.

Not when about half the QSOs on HF are conducted in code. Remember,
it's the only mode that's allowed anywhere on any band, and it's
the only mode all the world's HF-licensed hams* have in common.
These are reasons enough to know it.

Jeff KH2PZ

*Discounting the restricted, low-power, local-communications only,
CB-like Japanese license.

2632. Re: Best ways/hints on CW learning?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980128062601.BAA08950@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180397

Hey, no shortcuts on theory, Kevin! :-)
Thanks to all for your kind and helpful replies. I will have to find the balance of a few because some say to "just learn it rote" others have cool ideas about software (which I will get!) and starting at 20wpm, should make for good experimentation and a great challenge, which I love!
And I also am balancing my time between a 15 minute code session and a 35 minute theory study. I do this two or three times a day and feel comfortable on almost all the letters at about 7wpm, and have little trouble with the theory, except for some of the bigger technical jargon which is important, but of which I nonetheless tend to confuse meanings! :-)
Still going, hope to be there soon! Thanks for your help, all of you! I hope I find the majority of the ham world just like this!!!
(Only no AOL commercials and getting bumped off!)
73!
Mike in MO.

2633. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34CEDCD2.68B2@idog.com>
Source record: 180398
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
> On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate.
> Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they
> graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they
> don't plan to use.

Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
classes yet!!)

> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

2634. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34CEDE42.4613@idog.com>
Source record: 180399
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

Rigley L. Case wrote:
>
> The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
> the pike since compound interest. It's just an excuse to get a few extra
> bucks in tuition out of students who already up to their arses in student
> loans.
>

Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
not be used in real life.

2635. FS MFJ freq standard

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CF84F5.C07@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180400

for sale mfj frequency standard can be seen at
http://home.earthlink.net/~docky under for sale...73 Gary K0IMJ

2636. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Wirehead <me@no.spam>
Message-ID: <01bd2bbd$c8f5b0c0$ee346a0a@hcdjw.bh.bsco.com>
Source record: 180401
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote in article <34CC3433.71D2@nb.net>...
>
> .....Good CW operators don't swear!

Good HAM operators don't swear!

2637. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CEE6EF.3E15@asu.edu>
Source record: 180402
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

orion@xyznycap.rr.com wrote:

>
> Yeah, right. If it's so efficient, why is it being phased out all over
> the world except in the ARS? You and the ARRL are in the dark.

It is being phased out because it is slooooow. Can't send the whole NY Times CW in a few milliseconds. Technically, CW may be pretty primitive, but the question I want answered has to do with content. Most of the "information" I find on the Web and on TV, cable, etc. is not worth the time. In our culture it is 'faster,faster,more,more.' Less is more. Just ask him ;)

--Will White

2638. Re: retest everyone

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: fred@inti.net
Message-ID: <885985700.586219522@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180403

In article <6akf1t$t67@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>,
"Anthony D. Schneider" <Daveschneider@worldnet.att.net> wrote:
>
> Yes, I think that retesting everyone on a yearly basis is the best
> way to clear out the bands......and lets make the requirment of the test
> a broken 12 volt power supply with a blown fuse....this would fail about
> 30% of the "hams" right off the bat.....second if you added a shorted
> diode to the test ....anothe 30% would be failed.....and another 10%
> would fail from electric shock..(failure to unplug unit).... The other
> 30%
> that could send and copy code would leave the hobby........because all of
> the hams they used to talk to would be off the air........

I suppose if that was to be the case, we could add:

Periodic psychological reviews/evaluations: We don't want amateur
radio operators going "postal" on us!
Periodic medical evaluations and drug/alcohol screenings: We want
fit and sober radio operators that won't come on the air intoxicated
and/or possibly being rendered unfit to operate a radio station due
to some medical or substance abuse condition.
Periodic station and operating reviews: Amateur's stations are
inspected periodically to determine condition and fitness of equipment
in terms of safety, reliability, record keeping, and potential to
cause harmful RFI. Amateur licensees could at any time be recalled
for simulator checks to determine operator competancy, overall
operational fitness, and crisis management ability. Licensees failing
to pass such fitness evaluations would have their licenses restricted,
i.e. limitations on hours of operation, power, antenna F/B ratios,
or operation only under supervision. Licensees who come up to standard
within a given time would have restrictions lifted, those that do
not come up to standard will have their licenses permanently revoked
and will be inelgible from holding an amateur license in the future.
Any amateur radio operator whose license is revoked under these
provisions that also holds any other FCC granted operating authority
such as Marine Radiotelephone operator certificate, GMDSS operator/
maintainer certificates, Radiotelegraph certificates, and General
Radiotelephone Operator Licenses will also have such certificates
permanently revoked unless the individual can present compelling
evidence before a Federal ALJ that such revocations are against
PICON. Any reinstatement would be probationary and subject to peer
review before being made permanent.

.........Fred

----------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2639. WWW Tube Data Library

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@REMOVETHIS.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34cf2247.7595954@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 180404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.audio.tubes,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I just found this! Jan Axing in Sweden (SM5GNN) has put together a
wonderful resource.

Some GREAT tube data on the web, including characteristic curves for
many types, including:

5AR4 6AB8 6AQ8 6BL8 6BM8 6CA7 6CH6 6CJ6 6CK6
6CW5 6DL5 6DX8 6GW8 6J6 ?807 ?813???6BM8 EC80
ECC85 ECC91 ECF80 ECL80 ECL82 ECL84 ECL86
EL34 EL81 EL83 EL86 EL95 EL360 EL821 EL822 GZ34?
QE06/50QB2/250?? EL34 ECC86 EF97 EF98 ECH83 etc.

All found at:

http://www.algonet.se/~janax/tubedata.htm

Enjoy!

See http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamfiles.htm
for a great variety of radio files and information.
AF4K / G3XLQ

2640. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6an7sjpc1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180405
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34CEC543.CCE@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Duuuuhhhhhhh Walt, Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
>they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators. Do you ever
>bother to read the posts to which you are replying?

Are astronauts really "amateur radio operators"? Sure, they have licenses
so they can operate while in orbit, but how many of the astronauts actually
remain licensed or active after their excursion into space? I consider it
more a formality.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2641. Re: The No-Code VHF license - a success

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: JJ Martin <jjm@shore.net>
Message-ID: <34CF2A61.B65BDD15@shore.net>
Source record: 180406

Scott Rosenfeld [NF3I] wrote:

[Snip for brevity]

> Although I had elmers, I felt very much alone in learning
> how to be a ham. Today's Technician licensee, through the
> existence of the No-code license, has created a sense of
> community that I think is a very, very, very goof thing
> for these licensees to have!
>
> (and they're making a lot of it, too!)

You said it... ;) goof....
--
jim:) -=wk1v=-

2642. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cf2d5f.1840446@news.total.net>
Source record: 180407
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On 28 Jan 1998 07:23:37 GMT, "Wirehead" <me@no.spam> wrote:

>> ....Good CW operators don't swear!

>Good HAM operators don't swear!

Good not-hams don't swear !

so what anyway ??

Visit this excellent site
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2643. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cf2da1.1906978@news.total.net>
Source record: 180408
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:59:38 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> yeah and amateur radio will be banned or else will be taken by
>> commercial people because few people use it.

>Cutie boy, if bands were taken away simply based on lack of use we would have lost
>our microwave bands along time ago. How many people do you know who are active on
>10GHz? These bands have much more value than a few MHz of HF space.

>Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

unfortunately, Australia amateurs lost some of the amateur bands due
to commercial interest. You don't know what's going on and what you
are talking about. That's the problem for ham radio today.
Please be considerate.

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2644. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cf2ec3.2196871@news.total.net>
Source record: 180409
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 13:08:59 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie
Boy) wrote:

>On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:59:38 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
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2645. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cf2e2b.2045047@news.total.net>
Source record: 180410
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 01:06:05 -0700, Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
wrote:

> In our culture it is 'faster,faster,more,more.'
> Less is more.
^^^^^^^^^^
> Just
>ask him ;)

>--Will White

Use 286 instead of Pentium. Less is more. ;-)

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2646. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: ianchard@voyager.sqf.hp.com
Message-ID: <6anaf0$c3d@hpwin055.uksr.hp.com>
Source record: 180411
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Gary Coffman (ke4zv@bellsouth.net) wrote:

: Then you'd better stay on the ground, because they all can. Usually,
: the consequences aren't fatal, but they can be and they have been.

I'm not doubting you, but can you give a reference for a fatal aviation
accident involving passenger-operated electronics?

--
Ian Chard, UNIX Support TMO IT, Hewlett-Packard South Queensferry
Email: <ianchard@sqf.hp.com> Telnet: 313-3328 Phone: +44 (0)131 331 6328

"Give a man a mask and he'll tell you the truth" -- Oscar Wilde

2647. Help Mod for ADI AT600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Scott KE4VGN <rlscott@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <C6Hz.536$uT5.581491@news4.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180412

I'm Looking for a mod for the ADI AT600...

2648. Re: CW test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh2d@kuentos.guam.net
Message-ID: <6anesf$7t5@lehi.kuentos.guam.net>
Source record: 180413

Audrius Brazdeikis <audrius@uh.edu> wrote:

>Can someone please describe how the CW exam is conducted.
>Thanks,

>Audrius

That depends on the VE team giving the test. First, 5 minutes of
Morse code at the speed of the test (5,10, or 20 wpm) is sent, usually
with a tape recorder. Then a written test is administered about the
contents of the test. Ten questions, multiple guess or fill in the blank
depending on the VE team. Seven correct answers usually passes.
One solid minute of copy usually passes too. But it all depends on
the whims of the VE team giving the test.

73, Jim KH2D

2649. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34CF4BAF.3446@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180414
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie wrote:>
> It's also a well-known fact that undergraduate and post-graduate degree
> programs are constantly undergoing review, analysis, revision, change and
> improvement. This includes requirements as well as content. Sometimes, one
> initiates the other; the constant, however, is CHANGE.

Indeed, and you won't ever see a subject dropped from the cirriculum
dropped when it is still in use by a major percentage of the population.

Dick W0EX

2650. FS Drake & A&A Products

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Charles Francer <francer@gis.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c02$22b3b000$d6d271d1@francer.gis.net>
Source record: 180415
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.fm,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.swap

CONTACT Dave - ka1dpw@erols.com
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Drake SW-2 IR Remote Control and carry handle, brand new, got in
anticipation of buying SW-2 and never bought radio. Paid $55 for both,
will sell for $40. Contact Dave ka1dpw@erols.com

2651. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CF724C.659A@nb.net>
Source record: 180416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie wrote:
>
> On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:04:10 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:
>
> >... if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. ....
>
> We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time. =0)
>
> >
> >Tim, ka8ddz
> >

You people are missing the point...
If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2652. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CF565A.2F71@nb.net>
Source record: 180417
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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W6RCA wrote:
>
> DoD COMM wrote:
> >
> > W6RCA wrote:
> > >
> > > DoD COMM wrote:
> > > > If they
> > > > don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
> > > > won't become Amateur Radio operators!
> > >
> > > Oh Yeah? Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> > > they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators ...
> >
> > What's that have to do with anything?
> > We are talking about meeting the requirements to
> > obtain a Amateur Radio license.
>
> Duuuuhhhhhhh Walt, Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators. Do you ever
> bother to read the posts to which you are replying?
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA

Just because you are a astronaut and have a No-Code
Tech license doesn't make you a "ham"!
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2653. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CF522B.77F7@nb.net>
Source record: 180418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> DoD COMM wrote:
>
> > > So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
> > > operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
> > > still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
> > > abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
> > >
> > > Gary
> > > Gary Coffman KE4ZV
> >
> > Oh Gary, you are so very much in the dark!
> > If you really believe this, then you have no
> > idea of what transmissions are taking place
> > in the world. As much as people want to get
> > rid of CW...it will NEVER die. It is the ONLY
> > mode that will get through when the going gets rough.
> >
> > Walt.
>
> Walt I hardly think Gary is in the dark, your correct about it's
> ability to 'get through' under heavy QRM/N but the going doesn't get too
> rough on a microwave link to a satellite, no stumpjumpers up there or
> liberty net to QRM your call for help, so while CW is still in wide
> use in the amateur community. It is fading fast in the commercial
> arena. All you have to do is read the trade rags. Morse is being
> dropped by all kinds of commercial services.
>
> Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ
>

Well Tim, I wasn't really talking about the Amateur Radio
community. Forget about what you read in the "rags". CW
is still very much used my the U.S. Military and other U.S.
Government agencys and commercial services as well.

Walt.

2654. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34CF52E4.4B72@nb.net>
Source record: 180419
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Will White wrote:
>
> orion@xyznycap.rr.com wrote:
>
> >
> > Yeah, right. If it's so efficient, why is it being phased out all over
> > the world except in the ARS? You and the ARRL are in the dark.
>
> It is being phased out because it is slooooow. Can't send the whole NY
> Times CW in a few milliseconds. Technically, CW may be pretty primitive,
> but the question I want answered has to do with content. Most of the
> "information" I find on the Web and on TV, cable, etc. is not worth the
> time. In our culture it is 'faster,faster,more,more.' Less is more. Just
> ask him ;)
>
> --Will White

...The lights are on but nobodys home!

2655. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6ann86$rnp@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180420
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 28 Jan 1998 07:24:41 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM MD posted:

>Are astronauts really "amateur radio operators"? Sure, they have licenses
>so they can operate while in orbit, but how many of the astronauts actually
>remain licensed or active after their excursion into space? I consider it
>more a formality.

IMNSHO, anyone who has been granted an Amateur Radio license by the FCC qualifies to be defined as an Amateur Radio Operator. How one operates and how often is up to the individual, dependent upon their situation. Some can handle one station, some can handle ten .... =0)

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(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2656. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CF5F0A.4ED69E1B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180421
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Bill Sohl wrote:

> This really gets tiring. Most high schools have a broad array of
> choices with only some classes being manadatory for all students.
> People not planning on going to college rarely, if ever, are required
> to take a language or many other classes that academic track students
> are required to take.

Hi Bill,And going right along with that reasoning people who want to be on CB don't have to take technical training. People who want to work phone only on vhf don't have to learn code. No problem.

>
>
> The choices for classes are that of parent's and board of
> educations.

So why did my kids always have a list of classes to choose from then? They had mandatory subjects but were usually given the choice of what classes to take.

Likewise, one can choose not to learn CW and work all of the phone they want on VHF.

> As to college courses, pick the right college
> and you can probably not be forced to take a language.

Yep, and your degree will be worth as much as a roll of toilet paper.

> Government amateur testing requirements have no place
> in even attempting to assess work, effort or dedication which
> seems to be the only thing that many CW test advocates
> see the CW test as being a yardstick for.

The current method of administering the theory exam does not prove that the person taking the exam really knows any theory. Go out and look at 70% of the so called license manuals and you will see that they have only the question pool and hints for remembering the correct answer. They do not cover any of the theory behind the test, nor do most give any reference to where to go to get more information. Some of these advertise themselves as the only thing you will need to pass the test. The only yard stick that we have at this time is the CW test that still requires someone to put some effort in to pass. As I have said before. Maybe we do need to address hf CW at some time. But before we do we must get the garbage off of the bands and find a way to keep them off.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2657. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6ann8c$rnp@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180422
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 01:29:06 -0600, "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com> posted:

>Rigley L. Case wrote:
>>
>> The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
>> the pike since compound interest. It's just an excuse to get a few extra
>> bucks in tuition out of students who already up to their arses in student
>> loans.
>>
>
>Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
>than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
>not be used in real life.

I agree. However, would you not also agree that it is valuable to have AWARENESS of the existence of that "worthless information"? This is NOT to say that one must then study that information in detail. If for no other reason, such awareness, simplifies knowing and searching for more, IF and ONLY IF one at some future time wishes to possess more detailed knowledge in a particular area. Comment?

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2658. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CF60AC.D190856A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180423
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
> things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
> Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
> classes yet!!)
>

Not a topic I want to get started on this group but I can't help but think of how shallow someone's life must be without History and Literature.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2659. Re: Increasing My Code Speed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6anqlgpgn1@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 180424

In article <34CCF66D.D6B05A20@ix.netcom.com>,
M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>Nat Heatwole wrote:
>
>> Hello. Earlier today I passed my Novice Ham Radio license. The written
>> part wasn't very hard, but I did struggle with the code a little. But I
>> was able to make it out and I passed the 10 questions part of the code
>> test. My question is, is there a way for me to increase my code speed up
>> to 13 WPM? I hope to take my General class license soon and right now I
>> can barly do 5. I copied about 50% of the code tape correctly and some of
>> it was a little sloppy.
>
>Well, as said by others you can continue to build up your speed with the
>computer program but don't overlook the fun method. Get a station on the air
>and start working some cw contacts. Then it is not as much work as it is
fun.
>
>Congratulations Nat!!!!
>
>73
>Mark
>WA0DCA
>

---------- I agree. And congratulations.
It is standard advice that the best and quickest way to build up speed is to
get on the air.

If you are unable to do this then get the study tapes from RS for that speed
and practice 20 minutes three times a day while also practicing saying the
dits and dahs as you drive and see signs, bill boards, etc. Also, make up
your own tapes at various speeds by sending code from an oscillator into the
mic. of a tape recorder and then read the paragraphs at the end of each coded
section. Then put the tape aside for a week or so and use it. This method
gives you an endless supply of practice without you being able to memorize the
material on the tape.

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

2660. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cf6ce1.560202715@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180425
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 16:37:41 -0500, Chuck Till <ctill@mindspring.com>
wrote:

>When I had a ham license 25 years ago, 160m was severely
>restricted in some areas by power and frequency. When were
>these limits removed?

Shortly after Loran A service was discontinued. I don't remember
the exact date, but Loran A has been gone for a long time.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2661. Re: Transverting with a Kenwood TS 450 ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8akc@online.no
Message-ID: <34cf7801.8760043@news.sol.no>
Source record: 180426
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 16:06:12 GMT, ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman)
wrote:

>On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 19:41:18 GMT, andrewd@ozemail.com.au (Andrew Davis)
>wrote:
>>
>>I can't speak for Kenwood but it seems they don't believe we need
>>transverters any more. Why? Probably because they would prefer us to
>>buy a new radio that includes a "VHF" band. 6m is now a standard
>>inclusion in many "HF" radios, reducing the potential need for
>>transverters by a huge number. Now ICOM have announced the 746 with
>>100 watts on HF, 6m and 2m. So the only people needing a transverter
>>now are the very small number who want to use linear modes on bands
>>above 148. So probably it just isn't worth complicating an HF rig
>>with something a small minority is interested in. Those buyers will
>>have to use an older radio instead!
>
>The reality is that there has never been a large demand for, or use
>of, transverters with HF radios in the first place. And now there is
>even less demand and reason for them thanks to the popularity of
>VHF+ multimodes and the expansion of most HF rigs to include
>6m. The transverter jacks (and associated internals) have become
>an unnecessary expense in a market where price competition has
>become increasingly cutthroat.
>
>Now I'm not happy about that, because I'm in that small minority
>who use transverters, but that's the reality of the situation. To
>most purchasers of HF rigs, transverter capability is about as
>useful as tits on a boar hog. Those of us who do use transverters
>likely have the expertise to modify a radio to work with them in
>any event, so the issue is really moot.
>
>Gary
>Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net

VHF DX'er often seem to prefer using transverters since VHF
transceivers may have low dynamic range and few facilities for DX'ing.
I use FT-902DM with transverters for 6m/2m/70cm/23cm and IC202 for
13/6/3cm SSB/CW.

In DUBUS info nr 2/92 (17 pages) DJ9BV writes:
Kenwood TS-850S Product Preview, bilingual article (German/English)
covering the following subjects:

1.Requirements
2.Evaluation
2.1Good points, RX, IF selectivity, variable bandwidth control,
IF-noise, IF-intermodulation, Attenuator, CW operation,
2.1.2 TX, output power, spurious, keying, Speech processor, ALC,
Monitor,
2.1.3 LO, tuning, spurious, phase noise,
2.1.4 General Handling, Transverter operation, Frequency display,
analog S-meter,
2.1.5 Production quality,
2.1.6 Documentation,
2.2 Rough points
DSP-100 digital signal processor
2.3 Possible improvements
Input-IP, Noise blanker
Filter on 1st IF, Filter selection, SSB filter on 455kHz, Notch
filter, S-meter, Gain normalisation,
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tables/figures:
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1. Input IP (DL1BU)
2. IF-stopband (G3SJX)
3. Selectivity of 250/455kHz filter (DL1BU)
4. IF intermodulation (DL1BU)
x) RX Sideband/phasenoise on 28MHz in dB/Hz
5) TX spurious output signal (28MHz)
6) S-meter Linearity(DL1BU)
7)Modification for transverter connection (circuit)
8. position of C248/C249 on RF unit
9. Position of C202 on IF unit
10) Adjustment points on RF units (TC1)

If you are interested to buy a copy of this magazine, send a note to
dubus01@ibm.net (I hope this email addr still applies)

73

Jan-Martin N&#65533;ding -
email: LA8AK@online.no

2662. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cf6dad.560406485@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180427
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:30:18 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:
>> So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
>> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
>> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
>> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>>
>> Gary
>> Gary Coffman KE4ZV
>
>Oh Gary, you are so very much in the dark!
>If you really believe this, then you have no
>idea of what transmissions are taking place
>in the world. As much as people want to get
>rid of CW...it will NEVER die. It is the ONLY
>mode that will get through when the going gets rough.

Ah, so I suppose that's why NASA uses if for deep
space probes. That's what all those headphone
wearing guys are doing in mission control. NOT!

When the going gets *really* rough, like when Voyager is
reporting back from beyond the edge of the solar system
or when you need to communicate with a deeply submerged
nuclear submarine, uniform symbol length codes and fully
voiced modulations are used. That's what gets through when
nothing else will. In fact it gets through when the human ear
detects no signal at all in the noise.

And this isn't some new space age idea. Nyquist proved it
in 1928, and Shannon fleshed out the concepts in 1948. What
is somewhat new is that we can do it with a few cheap chips
today while it took a room full of vacuum tubes in the old days.

CW isn't worthless. As is commonly noted, it beats analog SSB,
but that is faint praise indeed. When it comes to weak signals in
noise, CW doesn't hold a candle to uniform symbol length codes
sent with a fully voiced modulation. An amateur level example
is Coherent, which uses ASCII sent via BPSK. It works on lower
HF under conditions where OOK Morse utterly fails. And Coherent
is extremely simple and primitive, it doesn't even employ FEC.
The DSP is done in software on a computer as primitive as
an original 4.77 MHz IBM XT (a Z80H could do it without
breaking a sweat if anyone wanted to embed Coherent in
hardware). No special, exotic, or expensive DSP hardware

is required. (Though DSP is no longer exotic or expensive.)

Much better techniques exist, and are in everyday use by amateurs
and non-amateurs. Clover 2000 is an example of the latter. It has
displaced much of the HF maritime CW communications traffic
which hasn't moved to satellite. It is small enough, simple enough,
and cheap enough that any HF radio equipped vessel can afford to
use it. That a few third world flagged vessels still don't is testimony
to their backwardness, not to their perspicacity.

CW will probably be around for years to come in a hobbyist role,
for those who do not wish to do better, but its days as a mission
critical communications method are rapidly drawing to a close
precisely because it *isn't* the mode that gets through when
nothing else will.

Gary
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534 Shannon Way | We break it |
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2663. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: xxx@nb.net
Message-ID: <34CFA077.6CE8@nb.net>
Source record: 180428
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CW wrote:
>
> This whole discussion is pointless. The code requirement will die with the
> oldtimers. The average age of opperators on HF is getting older all the
> time and the number of upgrades is rapidly declining. I'm sure I will hear
> arguments to the contrary but look at the statistics. Which will die first,
> the oldtimers or the hobby?
> BTW, I am an old line machinist (manual machines, lots of hand work and
> old world craftsmanship). I now use computer controlled robotic machines
> to do in minutes what used to take hours. The old ways worked well but have
> become outdated and obsolete. Time to move on.
> --
> CW
> KC7NOD
>

^^^^^^^^

Another misinformed guy wondering around in the dark!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2664. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34cf8328.565905837@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180429
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:13:46 -0700, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
>Charlie wrote:
>> Perhaps there is a message of wisdom in all this, eh, Cecil? =0)
>
>Might be, Charlie. When I gave up CW my IQ climbed 30%. I had reached
>the point of diminishing returns with CW and more and more effort
>resulted in less and less improvement. I turned my attention to engineering
>where a little effort resulted in massive gains in knowledge and IQ.
>
>That's one of the problems with a skill like CW. One tends to use
>it to the exclusion of learning anything new and valuable.

When all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail.

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2665. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CF85AD.C7997706@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

> Gee, Dyslexia, which make it diffcult (For me and others) to copy
> spoken English letter acurately is normaly dealt with by Pychogists
> (spelling can also be a problem), who are not empowered to sign the FCC
> waivers, which of course for various reasons don't deal with 5wpm

Not so. Have your Psychologist refer you to to a Psychiatrist. He or she will be a licensed MD who will be able to sign your code waver. I know a couple people who have Dyslexia and have learned CW. If you would like I will ask them to contact you and maybe they could help you out on this hurdle.

> Fine I will grant that Morse based CW can be viewed as a digital
> mode.
> Digital modes are normaly sent by machines, such as this one I am using
> now. They can also be sent better by machines.

Yes you can send CW with a computer but is it really better? You can also send voice with a computer by using a text to speech program. Is that how you want to work phone? After all that has to be better than real voice because you eliminate room noise or variations of modulation due to the operator's voice patterns.

But sending is only half of the communications link. Receiving is the other half. Most data packages include CW as part of the package. And they all work very poorly at best. Have one bit knocked out by noise, qrm, or qsb and you loose at minimum a letter. More often you loose the sync and then get garbage until the system syncs up again. A human operator has the ability to fill in the blanks when a few letters are missed.

CW is a very simple protocol that gets it's message across because it relies on the humans at both ends to be able to take care of any error correction. To have the transmission mode take care of any error correction a more complicated protocol must be used. Most packetized protocols that incorporate error correction have a lot of overhead used just for the guaranteed delivery. It is not uncommon to see a data packet with only one or a few information bytes while having lots of header and trailer bytes of overhead. If an error is detected the whole packet is retransmitted because the computer, even if it had the ability to tell which character in the information block was in error, does not have the ability to decide which is the most likely character that should go there. In less than perfect conditions a packet may be retransmitted many times which can slow down the transmission rate to a very low throughput.

> The rules do not require anyone to to be a good CW operator, even if
> I
> manage to beat Morse into my head long enough to survive a code test,

> that will not make me one. My computer will still do a better job than
> I.

How do you know if you haven't even tried it? Nobody has to be a good CW operator. Most higher class licenses holders are not good CW operators. So what? However, I would guess that most could get a message through on CW if the need came about and signal conditions were such that only CW could get through.

> The traditions of American laws perfer to let a Murders go free
> rather
> than condem one inocent man. The FCC as part of the Amercan Govermentis
> supposed to be obligated to follow the same principles.

I don't think the FCC is under the Judicial branch of the government.

> Personaly I would the American Amatuer Radio Comunity would seek to uphold
> these

> priciples.

I would love to see the American Amateur Radio Community uphold the principles of operation within the rules and practices of the community standards. Lets get the garbage ops off the ham bands.

> If dispite the "Filtering effect" of CW there is enough of a
> problem to merit the attention of a pominant offical(I forget just who's
> cal it was that sparked this thread soory) of the ARRL in these filtered
> bands, then it isn't working very well, and is violating principles of
> the Law besides.

If they are violation principles of FCC law then they should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law for their violations.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2666. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34CF87A6.25A5@asu.edu>
Source record: 180431

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <34CB74AA.10A4@earthlink.net>, Bob Marston <microrla@earthlink.net>
> writes:
>
> >> At least Nixon had morals. He didn't sleep around on his wife or loathe
> >and detest the military.
>
> Morals huh.....What have you been
> >smoking?
> Here is the guy who prosecuted the Vietnam War with a savagery that
> >made
> LBJ look mild. Carpet bombing Hanoi, authorizing the secret
> >bombing
> campaign of Cambodia without Congressional approval. Giving the go
> >ahead
> for the ground incursion into Laos. When the people of Chile
> >elected
> Salvador Allende as President he and Henry Kissinger employed the CIA
> >to
> violently overthrow it.
>
> And he paid the price. He chose resignation from office in disgrace, rather
> than an almost certain impeachment by a hostile Congress.
>
The edit here suggests you are attributing his resignation to foreign
policy gaffs. C'mon.

W. White

2667. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34CF86BF.23EBAB76@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180432

Rigley L. Case wrote:

>
>
> If you outlaw contests that crowd the airwaves every weekend, your problem
> is solved.
>

My my, such wise words (NOT!!!) from another wanna be troll who does not have
the stones to identify himself.....

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2668. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6ao3c5$cjv@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180433
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <6alokf$7ar$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote:
>In article <6al93f$u3@news.service.uci.edu>,
> James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:

>>Do Technician licenses expire at a different rate than General class
>>licenses? ;-)

>Yup. General-class licenses are expiring today. Technician-class licenses
>won't start expiring until 2/2001.

Everyone's license is expiring today Michael! All amateur licenses begin
to expire on the date they are issued. They all have the same term (all
licenses reach expiration 10 years from the date of issue, and a new one
is issued when a license is renewed), therefore all licenses expire at
exactly the same rate.

Example. Plot the length of time remaining on your ticket vs. time, and
measure the slope of the line. Then plot the length of time remaining on
a Technician's license vs. time, and measure the slope of that line.
Compare slopes. Get the picture?

On the other hand, the rate of _renewal_ for the Tech class can not
be determined due to lack of data. Maybe that's what you've been
trying to say in your previous posts. :-)

>>By the way, you should examine the number of Technician licenses which
>>have been obtained over the past 7 years, and then compare that with the
>>number of new General Class (or any other class) licenses which have been
>>obtained over the same interval.

>Why?

Because the difference is...."huge"?

JK

2669. 100 Heathkit color pics

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-28 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@mail.earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34CEF09C.1CDE@mail.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180434

http://home.earthlink.net/~docky 100 pics of Heathkits in color more than you want to know about Heathkits

2670. PRC-68B prgrammer or software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: AVICOM@t-online.de
Message-ID: <6ar0ru$464$1@news02.btx.dtag.de>
Source record: 180137

Hi there,

is there anyone out there who can supply me with either a schematic or a solution to reprogramm a almost dead prc-68b??

got mine from a fleamarket and it seemed to work alright.
after some serious testing the fault showed up in the upper band from 51Mhz onwards.No output and no receive.No oscilltion....

i figured out, that some code in the eeprom might be missing, therefore i need to reprogramm the unit.Also the unit hangs on some positions of the channelswitch.As it won't accept any changes in frequency.

Hope someone can help me...
If you have anything,pls

mailto:AVICOM@T-Online.de

thanks,

Holger

2671. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: konstans@geocities.com
Message-ID: <34d01554.175990037@news.concentric.net>
Source record: 180138
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 22:13:46 -0700, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:

>Charlie wrote:
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>
>Might be, Charlie. When I gave up CW my IQ climbed 30%. I had reached
>the point of diminishing returns with CW and more and more effort
>resulted in less and less improvement. I turned my attention to engineering
>where a little effort resulted in massive gains in knowledge and IQ.
>
>That's one of the problems with a skill like CW. One tends to use
>it to the exclusion of learning anything new and valuable.
>
>73, Cecil, W6RCA

To amplify that point the problem with Morse by ear, is that for it to
be of any use you have to use it, regularly
Mark Morgan
KB9RQZ

2672. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129182300.NAA06738@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180187

In article <19980129121500.HAA01341@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>That's not what you said in the previous post. You said that you just
>couldn't
possibly have afforded to get started in ham radio, if not for that
>precious
Morse code.

At least quote me correctly. I did not use the words possibly or precious. Also, I don't see where the two statements are mutually exclusive, since they happen to both be true. I could not have spent the money at the time for the station I have now. The station you describe would not have been satisfactory. Openings sufficient to allow a decent QSO from my QTH would have been pretty hit or miss. between 40 and 15 meters, I had a lot of opportunities, no matter where the ship might be. I definitely enjoyed 40 and 15 a lot more than I would have enjoyed a channel or two of fone on 10 meters.

That is not to say that converting a CB is not a viable option for someone interested in working 10 meter fone. If I were so interested, and I didn't have a rig that covers the band, I would certainly look into that option. But it was no good for me then, and it doesn't interest me now.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2673. FS: Complete Commodore Packet Station

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: bcny@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129182301.NAA18275@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180188

Hello, I have a complete Commodore Packet Station. Price is $150.00 which includes - keyboard, disk drive, monitor, printer, TNC & lots of software. I would like to try to sell it in the NY area as it will cost too much to ship. I would also consider to trade the packet station for a R/S HTX-404(440mhz) HT. If interested call Rich at 718-634-8424 after 9am but before 9pm (EST). Thanks & 73...de Rich.

2674. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129182301.NAA18306@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180189

For info on VE teams active in your area, test dates and sites, study guides, licensing procedures, etc see the ARRL homepage.

http://www.arrl.org

The other posts are, of course, correct. There are no citizenship restrictions whatsoever. All that is needed is a U.S. address through which the FCC can contact the licensee in a timely manner and where the license can be mailed.

If your friend already has a license from his country, He could also look into a reciprocal operating permit. If his country and the US have a current reciprocal agreement, He can apply for the reciprocal permit and operate using his own license, and use any modes, power levels, and frequencies that are allowed in the US that are also allowed in his native country to his license class.

Given the choice, he should probably go for the full US license, so he doesn't have to use an area suffix after his call, so he can have a normal QSO every once in a while instead of a pile-up, and for a neat souveneir to hang in his shack at home.

>
KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach) wrote:
> Can a foreigner apply for a ham license
>here in the U.S?

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In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2675. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0CB4A.622BF604@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180190

Robert A Herschbach wrote:

> Hi...thought I would post this & see if anyone might be able to help. I
> appreciate any info. I have a good friend who I would like to introduce
> to ham radio. My friend is a graduate student from China. Can a
> foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S? If so, are there any
> unusual procedures? Or does she have to apply for a license given by her
> home country? Anyone know?
>
> Thanks and 73,
>
> KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach)

Hi Robert,Citizenship is not a requirement to obtain an amateur license in the United States. The license process is the same procedure as for anyone else. If the person has a valid license from their home county they can use that here if there is a reciprocal operating agreement between the countries involved.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2676. Re: Phone-only HF ops of the Future

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0c825.622488930@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180191
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 26 Jan 1998 01:13:17 GMT, "Robert D. Keys"
<rdkeys@seedlab1.cropsci.ncsu.edu> wrote:
>> Of course wireless voice transmission pre-dates use of Morse
>> by wireless. Nathan B. Stubblefield was transmitting voice in
>> 1873 and performed a demonstration before Congress in hopes
>> of getting funding to deploy the system for the Navy. He was
>> asking for $30,000, but he didn't get it, even though he successfully
>> demonstrated wireless voice transmission between a shore station
>> and a ship on the Potomac over a distance of 5 miles. Ironically,
>> this was the same year Hertz was doing his experiments with UHF
>> signals that got him official credit for the discovery of radio waves.
>
>I would like to look that up. Can you cite a reference for it?
>
>Also, one Dr. Mahlon Loomis was attributed to have done some wireless
>experiments across mountaintops in Virginia, around the same time.
>His daughter was the president/founder(?) of a radio school in D.C.
>and had a neat early radio course book dating from 1925 or so that
>details some of it (c.f. Loomis, M.T., 1925, Radio Operating.).

About 35 years ago I toured the little museum in Mayfield Kentucky
celebrating Stubblefield. Most of the info came from memories of
that. There was also an article about Stubblefield many years ago
in 73 Magazine. The article also talked about Loomis. As I recall,
his experiments were unpowered and depended on the natural
electric field potential gradient. Amazing the range these guys got
considering how deaf the receivers had to be. Of course manmade
electrical noise was nearly nil back then too.

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2677. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0C9A6.EAEC90B7@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180192
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM wrote:

> There is more public service communications taking
> place on the HF bands than the No-Code CB'ers do
> playing around on the FM repeaters.

And with worthless statements like that you shoot yourself in the foot on
any of your pro-code views and come across as just another troll.

From your statement, it is very obvious that you do not do any public service
work. Local emergencies usually highly involve VHF operations and many times
there is no need for HF operations. Larger scale emergencies most often
involve heavy use of VHF for the local communication with HF providing a
backbone contact for medium or long haul.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2678. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0cc24.623511802@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180193

On 29 Jan 1998 08:06:42 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:
>By the way, the varactor for FSK is a pretty neat way to go, I'll give you
>that. I have often mulled the same idea over but haven't actually tried it yet.
> But for a first project, I would still recommend a simple crystal controlled
>single stage transmitter with minimal parts count, using discrete components
>for clarity. I'm afraid that still means CW.
>
>If you think of any potential pitfals with the varactor FSK thing, which I
>assume you have used, fire me an e-mail if it is convenient. I don't remember
>ever seeing anything published on this. Actually, a complete project article
>would probably go good in QST.

Take a standard VXO circuit from the Handbook. Now instead to tying
the high side of the tuning pot to B+, tie it to the Data out pin of your
computer's serial port via a 1N4148 diode. The "tuning" pot now becomes
your shift width control. Done.

A variation on the theme is to attach a small trimmer to the high side of
the tuning capacitor of a VFO. Use a transistor switch to tie the low side
to circuit common. Drive the transistor with the data out line of your
computer's serial port. Adjust the trimmer for the desired shift. Done.
At the low data rates commonly used on HF, you can substitute a reed
relay for the switching transistor if you like.

It just doesn't get any simpler than that.

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2679. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: drmarc@wwa.com
Message-ID: <6aqiqnemf2@hirame.wwa.com>
Source record: 180194

In article <34D0B16C.41C67EA6@carcs3.wustl.edu>,
"Gary R. Hoffman" <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu> wrote:
>Yes, this is the same question that gets posted every few weeks.
>This time, however, I am going to take the replies and put
>them on a special page at my Web site. (I am collecting ham
>folklore.)
>
>So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
>If you can include your source it would be helpful. All stories
>and their variants (except the patently ridiculous ones) will
>be greatly appreciated.
>
>Gary
>KB0QGE
>gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

Could it be a contraction of the first name of HirAM ?

Marc Schneider, Psy.D.
e-mail to: <drmarc@wwa.com>
(call sign: W4NVY)

2680. Mods and info Wanteed n Cherokee AH-50 6 meter radio!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: chia@news.utk.edu
Message-ID: <6aqick$9ki$1@gaia.ns.utk.edu>
Source record: 180195

I just got a new Cherokee AH-50 T and would love to be able to open
up the RX on it a little if possible. Anyone with any info/mods on this radio
or that knows where to find them please E-Mail then to me or post them here.
thanks in advance.

--
73 de KF4UAE
chia@korrnet.org
John Alley

2681. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0d313.625286840@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180196
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 27 Jan 1998 17:55:11 -0500, kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
(Michael P. Deignan) wrote:
>In article <6al93f$u3@news.service.uci.edu>,
> James W. KELLEY <jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu> wrote:
>
>>Do Technician licenses expire at a different rate than General class
>>licenses? ;-)
>
>Yup. General-class licenses are expiring today. Technician-class licenses
>won't start expiring until 2/2001.

Yeah, but Generals (and all others above Tech) just started expiring for
the first time since 1984 in 1996. That's because the 10 year licenses
started in 1984 and the FCC doesn't purge a station from the database
until after the 2 year grace period. So we've gone a *long* time without
purging the higher class license rolls.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2682. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0D6F6.C431213A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180197
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

W6RCA wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
> > Hmmmmmm.....Cecil, you got that? You said you had no trouble at all
> > learning CW as a kid, even did it well before you ever heard of ham
> > radio. Looks like Gary thinks you're pretty stupid!
> > Give back your MENSA card NOW!
>
> Strangely enough, there is some truth in the above statement. From the
> time I was 13 until I went off to college, I was on CW night and day.
> My grades were pretty low and I almost flunked algebra and Spanish.
> My measured IQ in high school was not anywhere near the MENSA level.
>
> Then I went off to college and gave up CW for a number of years. My
> IQ zoomed upward by about 40 points during my college years. Don't
> know if there's any cause and effect there, but I suspect in high
> school, I was operating CW to the exclusion and detriment of more
> important things.
>
> 73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)

Cecil, you remind me of my younger days and my experience. As a Boy Scout (yea we had em in New Mex) I learned semi-fore with the flags. At the time it sorta facinated me that I could stand on one hill and talk to a guy on the other hill. I even carried a pair of flags on my saddle, was going to warn the town of Indian attacks I guess, but then because dad was doing Morse for his tickets, I started that too. I got up to well over 20 (I was pretty good at it) sending the Montgomery Ward Wish book. Like a drummer I did it on everything and it was in my head all the time. Even when milking cows it had to be in OOK. One nite while milking one of the mildest cows we had, she kicked me the bucket and the stool I was on back on my head. I looked up at her and she was just staring at me. I looked at the rest and they too were staring. I got the message then, NOOOO MOOOOO OOOOOK on my things.

BTW, I now see girls at football games with only one flag and their messages look much better than mine. So now I have given it all up.

Regards

Ed
d

2683. Re: IMAGE reject mixers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0d56e.625890098@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180198

On 29 Jan 1998 06:00:50 GMT, electron78@aol.com (Electron78) wrote:
>I am a little confused as to what image reject mixers are capable of doing. Do
>they just reject a receiver's incoming image frequency from a signal that is at
>LO+IF, or do they also reject the undesired sideband when mixing down to the
>IF, such as the upper sideband (LO+RF), and keep the desired sideband (LO-RF)?

That "sideband" as you are calling it *is* the image. This is completely
separate from *modulation* upper and lower sidebands. A receiver with
a plain mixer will output at the IF a product for RF inputs corresponding to
LO+IF and LO-IF. One is the desired signal, the other is the image. Now
an image reject mixer is configured to only output one of these products.
This is *not* done by preselection filtering. While that will keep undesired
RF signals at the image frequency out of the IF, it will not keep *noise* at
the image frequency out of the IF.

An image reject mixer uses a phasing technique, identical to the phasing
technique used to generate single sideband, to cancel the undesired image.
This also cancels internal receiver noise at that frequency. So for receivers
whose SNR is set by internal noise (most everything at VHF and above), the
image reject mixer gives a 3 db better SNR than a plain mixer.

Gary
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2684. Ask about Klingenfuss's books.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: jjhuang@cm.nctu.edu.tw
Message-ID: <6apitd$p8v$1@news2.nctu.edu.tw>
Source record: 180199

Hello,
Recently I got a book named "Guide to Utility Stations", and I feel
it very useful. And it mentioned some books as well.
1.Air and Meteo Code Manual
2.Guide to Facsimile Stations
3.Radioteletype Code Manual
How could I find these books? How to buy or?
Please e-mail to jjhuang@server.cm.nctu.edu.tw, 'coz I'm a soldier,
I don't have much time on Internet. :-)
--

���T�� = Jiunn-jye Huang
Administrator of Taiwan main NeXT ftp site, ftp://ftp.cm.nctu.edu.tw/
==========#==========
Dept. of Communication Eng. # mailto:jjhuang@server.cm.nctu.edu.tw
National Chiao Tung University # NeXTMail,PGP,MIME are welcome!
1001 Rd. University # URL http://www.cm.nctu.edu.tw/~jjhuang
Hsin Chu City # Phone: +886-3-5726111 x82408/x54592
300 Taiwan # PGP Key ID=0xC40BC8B5 on Key Server
==========#==========

2685. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0DAD0.2F997C73@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180200
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 10:05:26 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
> > wrote:
> >
> > >DoD COMM wrote:
> > >
> > >> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!
> > >
> > >No matter where you stand on the Code/No-code for hf band operations there is
> > >no reason to make statements like that. There are many fine no-code techs
> > >doing a FB job in public service operations.
> >
> > and mainly no coders in public service...

Not sure who wrote the following:

>
> There is more public service communications taking
> place on the HF bands than the No-Code CB'ers do
> playing around on the FM repeaters.

And there is more public service communications taking place on 11
meters by "CBers" than on all Ham Bands put togeather. And what this has
to do with anything is far beyond me. Unless it is someones need to
crank up a falling self esteeeeem what ever that is.

Regards

Ed
d

2686. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5bcu@qsl.net
Message-ID: <886103009.1315700737@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180201
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to know before I really mess something up.

73,
John

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2687. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0E3E7.2B596610@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180202
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

DoD COMM wrote:
>
> Charlie wrote:
> >
> > On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:04:10 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:
> >
> > >... if you want to operate on HF below 30 MHz learn code. ....
> >
> > We're trying to change that. And we will: It's only a matter of time. =0)
> >
> > >
> > >Tim, ka8ddz
> > >
>
> You people are missing the point...
> If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
> Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!
>
> Walt.
> CW FOREVER!

Walt, you flat don't understand the point. This is understandable as
there is evidence OOK can adversly effect your mental capabilities if
used very often. You seem to be saying "No Change, No Change" and you
should know that with no change your hobby would be in the dark ages
which is where you may be if you only endorse OOK.

Regards

Ed
d

2688. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0E477.9CD3AA52@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180203
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie wrote:
>
> On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:04:10 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> posted:
>
> >The same could be said for our Universities, as an Electrical Engineer do
> >you really need to know about Eastern Civilizations? Probably not, but your
> >still required to take many electives that have nothing to do with
> >Electrical Engineering. The reason is to provide the Graduate student with a
> >well rounded education. Learning code is in the same genera, You may decide
> >not to use it but you have a knowledge of it nevertheless.
> >Tell your professor that your entitled to your MBA and you think it's wrong
> >for the University to FORCE you to take a marketing class because you have
> >no intention of ever doing any marketing. See how far that argument gets
> >you.
>
> It's also a well-known fact that undergraduate and post-graduate degree
> programs are constantly undergoing review, analysis, revision, change and
> improvement. This includes requirements as well as content. Sometimes, one
> initiates the other; the constant, however, is CHANGE.
> IMO, CHANGE is something that is total anathema to the elitists populating the
> pro-code-test crowd. Why? IMNSHO, the pro-code-test crowd bases and places
> much, if not all, of the credit for their initial as well as continuing
> existence in the test. Additionally, it seems that many of those who demand
> retention of the test are fundamental traditionalists who have "always done it
> this/that way," who cannot tolerate change -- even when it is for betterment and
> the benefit of all in Amateur Radio.
>
> ---
> KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
> (NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

Dammit Charlie, I wanted to say that, just didn't know how. Good Stuff
and right on.

Thanks

Ed
d

2689. Best non-Japanese tube HF transceiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no>
Message-ID: <34D0EBFF.AA97F052@online.no>
Source record: 180204

Following a discussion with a friend about what was the best "classic"
tube transceiver ever made of non Japanese origin, we did not agree.
Anyone got a view on the subject?
Regards
Olav Tveiten, Norway

2690. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aqqk3$hk1$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180205

yrac@aol.com (Yrac) says,

>Yrac observes:
>Compound interest has been called "the eighth wonder of the world." It can
>make your money double in just a few years. At the same time, using a
"banker's
>secret", you can keep it from working against you on your home mortgage. I
>regularly show folks how to save hundred's of thousands of $$$$ by making a
>simple change to the way they make their house payments.

I already know this. But to the uniformed person, which is a large portion
of the general public, it's a rip-off. This is especially true when it comes
to mortgages, as well as other forms of credit.

****
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****
*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
****
*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
*http://www.garynorth.com for a worst-case scenario *
****

2691. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aqr4v$lo9$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180206

Now I've heard it all!

jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) says,

>These exceptional operators and the rock-solid stations they operate are
>whom your community turns to when disaster strikes, for these communica-
>tors voluntarily "train" themselves weekend after weekend, in the most
>grueling mental and physical activity known to the amateur radio service.
>No other operators are better prepared for the rigors of providing
>emergency communications.
>
>Jeff KH2PZ

In September of '89, Hurricane Hugo hit South Carolina on a weekend. Your
so-called "Highly trained" operators were more interested in racking up
multipliers for some state QSO party than they were in helping relay messages
from the disaster area. I had trouble hearing stations from South Carolina
because of idiots calling "CQ contest" on top of them.

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2692. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aqqug$hk1$3@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180207
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> says,

>> You're saying the dumber the dog, the easier he is to train.
>
>Not exactly Dick ... if that were true, you'd be exceptionally trainable,
>and that's clearly not the case ... there's a difference between
>"conditioning"
>and "training" ... Morse requires conditioning, training requires
intelligence.

...and don't forget: "conditioning" = "Brainwashing", which is what has
happened to those who have listened beeping noises for too long.

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2693. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aqqb5$hk1$1@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180208
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net> says,

>That is exactly why many engineering schools are dropping bullshit
>"make-work" requirements like foreign languages, etc. that are not
>relevant to the student's major ... there is so much to learn in
>one's chosen field of endeavor these days (particularly in the
>technical arenas, where so much dramatic change is taking place)
>that it is unreasonable to burden students with such "breadth"
>requirements just to rake in a few more semester hour's worth of
>tuition.

What's pathetic is that some of these graduates think that a liberal
arts degree will get them a job at a technical level.

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2694. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
Message-ID: <6aqrb9$lo9$2@akron5.neo.lrun.com>
Source record: 180209
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com> says,

>>
>> Another misinformed guy wondering around in the dark!
>>
>> Walt.
>> CW FOREVER!
>
>
>Your statement and signiture file contradict each other, are you using
>someone else's computer?

He hasn't figured out how to hook up his Vibroplex keyer to his phone line.
That question wasn't on the exam.

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2695. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ka8tok1@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129211900.QAA10632@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180210

>I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
>not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
>learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
>designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
>the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
>know before I really mess something up.

you can learn it at 13 wpm and pass your test.. but who ever told you that 5
wpm is no code is absoultely wrong... 5 wpm is for novices and tech pluses...

2696. for sale mfj

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@mail.earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34D0517E.40AD@mail.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180211

For sale freq standard take $5 off posted price at
http://home.earthlink.net/~docky

2697. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <6aqvsq$p6p$1@uranium.btinternet.com>
Source record: 180212
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary,

I think you are a victim of your own Yankee propaganda.

You are one of the people who think the Japanese never invented anything but are very good copiers.

Wake up to the obvious facts. Obvious to the rest of the world if not to you.

Have a good look under the bed. Any Reds?

Of course not!

Who was the first man in space?

- and all the tens of thousands of other instances.

Reg.

Gary Coffman wrote in message
<34d0bed8.620107428@news.atl.bellsouth.net>...
>On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 11:48:50 -0700, Will White
<will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>>Gary Coffman wrote:
>>
>>> All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
>>> 160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and
data
>>> segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
>>> on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
>>> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was
amateur
>>> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
>>> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
>>> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>>
>>I saw some video on PBS recently (last month), can't say what
show, of
>>Russian military training communications ppl in Morse, using
straight
>>keys! What band *doesn't* permit CW operation?
>
>I'm not surprised. Russia is a third world economy which

attempted
>to field a first world military. But aside from the trappings of
nuclear
>weapons and missiles, it never succeeded. Much of its
infrastructure
>is still primitive. They even still make vacuum tubes over
there. But
>they do know better. Some of the best data algorithms have come
>from Russians. They just don't yet have the microelectronics
>infrastructure to field them properly on the necessary scale. We
>don't have that excuse.
>
>The 219 MHz amateur band is restricted to point to point data
emissions
>only.
>
>Gary
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>534 Shannon Way | We break it |
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2698. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129224800.RAA24105@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180213

In article <34D0AFE1.1216DC5E@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson
<silversq@ix.netcom.com> writes:

>CBRambo wrote:

> I've seen plenty. Some as low as a dollar or two.

Ever
>wonder why they would be getting rid of their CB for a buck?
>Probably
because they turned it on and found it was totally useless because
>of the
local lids on the band. Heck a dollar or two is still 10 times more
>than what
it is worth.

Only for people like you who are apparently too stupid to know how to convert
them to operate on 10 meters. Guess that makes you one of the "appliance
operators" that you beepers always gripe and complain about.

> People have them sitting in
> their basements or
>garages and just want to get rid of them.

Which just shows you that they
>have good taste. Heck CB maybe the
availability of so many cheep, used, CB
>radios in your area has something to
do with your operating style on CB?.

Uh, yeah...okay, whatever.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2699. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129224800.RAA24111@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180214

In article <34D0B16C.41C67EA6@carcs3.wustl.edu>, "Gary R. Hoffman"
<gary@carcs3.wustl.edu> writes:

>So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
If you can
>include your source it would be helpful. All stories
and their variants
>(except the patently ridiculous ones) will
be greatly appreciated.

Okay...how about "Hangingonto Ancient Methods" this time?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2700. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129224800.RAA12470@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180215

In article <34D0BE3B.DA018642@ix.netcom.com>, M Johnson
<silversq@ix.netcom.com> writes:

>Yup, I have already heard if from a few. They argue that with today's
>modern
HF rigs there is no longer a need for theory because, other than
>setting a
power level, they do not have to "tune" the transmitter.

It's called PROGRESSING TECHNOLOGY! Embrace it, adapt to it, or get out of the
way before you get run over by it!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2701. Re: Goodby

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129224800.RAA12481@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180216

In article <19980129151501.KAA15675@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cmjk2og@aol.com (Cmjk2og) writes:

>This will be my last check of this newsgroup. I'll just have to sacrifice >the
1 percent of intelligent messages that appear on this board. Please >don't cry
for me. I'll survive.

Don't let the modem disconnect hit you on the way out.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2702. QST Collection

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Bill Cann"
Message-ID: <6ar1ei$a6f$1@winter.news.erols.com>
Source record: 180217

I have an elderly ham friend who has a nearly complete collection of QSTs from 1916 to the early 1990s. They are clean and boxed.
Anyone interested in them? I can provide the name and telephone number of the person who is presently holding them.

Thanks!
Bill Cann W4PUH, Fairfax, VA

2703. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6aqteo$4o7$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180218
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34d0d313.625286840@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:

>Yeah, but Generals (and all others above Tech) just started expiring for
>the first time since 1984 in 1996. That's because the 10 year licenses
>started in 1984 and the FCC doesn't purge a station from the database
>until after the 2 year grace period. So we've gone a *long* time without
>purging the higher class license rolls.

Very true. This is one reason I suspect we will start to see a decline
in the number of licensed amateurs in the US. I also do not think that
the decline is necessarily a bad thing, given our numbers have been
artifically inflated for the past decade.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2704. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Howard and Kelly Lute <OptCamel@sj.bigger.net>
Message-ID: <34D10F19.841F97BA@sj.bigger.net>
Source record: 180219
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Common culture must be taght in order to insure a common morality, therefore all the "useless" English, Art, History etc. classes. It's insurance.
friend,
Lute

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> M Johnson wrote:
> > On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate.
> > Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they
> > graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they
> > don't plan to use.
>
> Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
> things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
> Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
> classes yet!!)
>
> > 73
> > Mark
> > WA0DCA

2705. WANTED: RTTY program for C-64 and AEA CP-1 Interface

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: te@4u.net
Message-ID: <34d314da.3740921@news.concentric.net>
Source record: 180220
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I am looking for either a Kantronics Hamtext cartridge or an AEA
MBA-TOR cartridge for the Commodore 64 computer. I would also be happy
just getting a copy of either program on a commodore floppy disk. I
want to get my old C-64 back running for RTTY use. I am also looking
for an AEA CP-1 RTTY interface with manual. Would also consider a
CP-100. Please reply via email.
--
Tim, K8TJ

2706. Yeasu FT-8100R

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwm@reidnet.com
Message-ID: <886042671.1098645526@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180221

Hello All,
After doing a deligent search I'm lost.
Can anyone help me with the mods for the ft-8100r.

Thanks

Al
KF4IBV
mwm@reidnet.com

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2707. Re: QST Collection

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Bill Cann"
Message-ID: <6ar7q1$r4n$1@winter.news.erols.com>
Source record: 180222

Regarding the QSTs, I can be reached on email at: billcann@erols.com
Bill Cann wrote in message <6ar1ei$a6f$1@winter.news.erols.com>...
>I have an elderly ham friend who has a nearly complete collection of QSTs
>from 1916 to the early 1990s. They are clean and boxed.
>Anyone interested in them? I can provide the name and telephone number of
>the person who is presently holding them.
>
>Thanks!
>Bill Cann W4PUH, Fairfax, VA
>
>

2708. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D12502.52FF@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180223

Gary R. Hoffman wrote:
>
> Yes, this is the same question that gets posted every few weeks.
> This time, however, I am going to take the replies and put
> them on a special page at my Web site. (I am collecting ham
> folklore.)
>
> So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
> If you can include your source it would be helpful. All stories
> and their variants (except the patently ridiculous ones) will
> be greatly appreciated.
>
> Gary
> KB0QGE
> gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

Hi Gary --- a collection of internet "Origin Of Ham" can be found at
URL:
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageal.html

ALSO HAM HUMOR * DX STORIES * PUZZLES * CLIPART * FAMOUS HAMS
* ORIGIN OF CQ, 73, HAM & LID * WOUFF-HONG * * RETTYSNITCH *
* SLIMS * PIRATES * BOOTLEGGERS
--
Fun Stuff
Rod in San Diego
AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

2709. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D12566.49D0@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180224
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

orion@xyznycap.rr.com wrote:

>>CW...it will NEVER die.
> >Walt.
>
> Yeah, right. If it's so efficient, why is it being phased out all over
> the world except in the ARS?
>

ANSWER: $$$$$$$$$$$$$$$

2710. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D14A92.483A@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

Reg Edwards wrote:
>
> I suggest the phone would only be line of sight if the door was
> opened and the phone user hung outside for the duration of the
> call.
>
> The aircraft fuselage is a very good radio screen. Very small
> windows.

In 1972, pre-HT days, I had a "Doublehandful Talkie", a Drake portable known as a TR22, one and a half watts, rigged for both portable operation with it's internal telescoping 1/4 wave whip and also used it as a mobile rig with a 1/4 wave whip mounted on the luggage rack of the station wagon. No repeaters in the area then,(very few anywhere) and all 2 meter work was simplex.

One day while out driving I heard W2SKE calling QRZ on 146.52 simplex. I called him and he came back to say that he was on an airliner at 33,000 feet 30 miles east of Dallas, Texas enroute New York City and he was using a rig identical to mine, while holding the antenna up to a window. He would have been at least 200 miles from me. The contact lasted only a few minutes before he dropped out but it was full quieting for that time. (this was in the days before the ban on such activity by passengers). He didn't say, but I'd bet he was seated on the side of the plane facing me. Like you, I would have expected the fuselage to be a pretty efficient screen room.

I recognized the callsign W2SKE, it was Bill Leonard, a well known radio and TV journalist, now SK. I'd heard him and read about him in the ham magazines.

I was always amazed at the distance I was able to work with the little Drake on simplex. Once I was on an automobile ferry crossing a lake about 80 miles from my hometown, when on a whim I gave a simplex call to a friend who I guessed might be on his base station, never expecting an answer. He came right back, near full quieting. The lake was 800 feet lower in elevation than my friends station and in hilly country, though he was using an yagi on a 60 foot tower. I still marvel over what we did in the pre-repeater days on 2 meters.

2711. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Will White <will.white@asu.edu>
Message-ID: <34D15148.12A@asu.edu>
Source record: 180226

SCO wrote:
>
> Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:

>1) Federal law does preempt state law in cases where the Constitution
>specifically addresses the issue. The Constitution does not address the
>issue of radio or telephony. Reference the Tenth Amendment.
>
> I would suspect that the Constitution does speak to the possible
> impeachment of the President. It does. Therefore it is possible to say
> that the tapes, if illegal (only one party was in MD at the time ...
> so i think they are legal) go the the point that the President may
> have committed a crime punishable by the Constitution (Bribing a

Yes, but again, illegally obtainined evidence is not admissable.
Besides, everything, including the tapes, at this point is hearsay.
Actually, most of that hearsay now suggests that Lewinsky fabricated the
whole thing.

--Will

2712. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D181FF.17C7@nb.net>
Source record: 180227
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Unfortunately, CW emergency communcation is rarely used (if
> you know one, please give us the example).
> Many of amateur emergency communications are handled locally such as
> the use of 2m repeater OR else VOICE HF.
> (Moreover,) in commercial industry, 99% of ships now do not use CW as
> a method of communicating SOS.
>

I hate to burst your bubble little Boy, but the majority of
NTS traffic is handeled via CW!

Walt.

2713. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D15C16.1594@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:
>
> I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
> not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
> learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
> designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
> the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
> know before I really mess something up.
>

By all means, start using the Farnsworth method, with character speed set to 15-18 wpm. You are fortunate to have this method available, it will speed your learning considerably.

Typically one learns the letter/character sounds at very slow speeds and slowly advances the speeds as he practices. Usually one hits a 'wall' around 10wpm that seems difficult to overcome. I'm convinced that this is because one must 'unlearn' the character sounds for slow apeed and 'relearn' tham at a faster rate. If you START at the faster rate the advantage is clear.

If you have a problem recognizing the characters at the speed you select, and cannot resolve it with some practice, reduce the speed some and try again.

Congratulations and good luck,
Dick W0EX

2714. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D15A2E.2F7@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Ed D USA Ret wrote:.

Even when milking cows it had to be in OOK. One nite
> while milking one of the mildest cows we had, she kicked me the bucket
> and the stool I was on back on my head. I looked up at her and she was
> just staring at me. I looked at the rest and they too were staring. I
> got the message then, NOOOO MOOOOO OOOOOK on my things.
>

Ed that's gotta be the funniest tale I've seen here yet!!! Laugh- I
thought I'd croak!

Only those with 'hands on' experience will fully appreciate it.

Dick W0EX

2715. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D15DAE.1FD@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

>
> Charlie wrote:
> > IMO, CHANGE is something that is total anathema to the elitists populating the
> > pro-code-test crowd. Why? IMNSHO, the pro-code-test crowd bases and places
> > much, if not all, of the credit for their initial as well as continuing
> > existence in the test. Additionally, it seems that many of those who demand
> > retention of the test are fundamental traditionalists who have "always done it
> > this/that way," who cannot tolerate change -- even when it is for betterment and
> > the benefit of all in Amateur Radio.

Charlie, all that makes good reading if one holds the preconceptions
that "avoidance of change" is the force driving the pro-code established
group.
Unfortunatley for your story, it is based on whim and not fact.
The "change" you have in mind is the elimination of code in ham
radio--yes I know you are saying "no, only the test". But eliminate the
test and eliminate the code. Not today, but too soon. That's what we are
fighting, simply because we are even more convinced that we are right
then you seem to be in you holy war.

Dick W0EX

2716. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D16398.3DB3@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

a small error crept into the story...it should have read "he was on an airliner at 33,00 feet 30 'minutes' east of Dallas, Texas ".....

> One day while out driving I heard W2SKE calling QRZ on 146.52
> simplex. I called him and he came back to say that he was on an airliner
> at 33,000 feet 30 miles east of Dallas, Texas enroute New York City and
> he was using a rig identical to mine, while holding the antenna up to a
> window. He would have been at least 200 miles from me. The contact
> lasted only a few minutes before he dropped out but it was full quieting
> for that time. (this was in the days before the ban on such activity by
> passengers).

2717. Reality check #1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed Legenza <atued@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34D167BC.77EE@earthlink.net>
Source record: 180232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Yes, one must put an effort for CW, but one must put an effort
> for written as well.
>
> I took three days to remember a half of question set (500
> questions).
>
> I took one day to pass CW. CW is just made up of dits and
> dahs. Remember 26 characters and 10 numbers. What a crap ? No
> wonder why CW doesn't make good hams on HF.
>
> ____
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
>
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
> ____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

It seems as if the CW requirment is doing exactly what it should,
keeping people like you off the air.

Ed Legenza
N6XA
atued@earthlink.net

2718. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <OQ3yZCATOL00Ew5T@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180233

In article <slrn6d0f7p.7hl.rah1@hopper.unh.edu>, Robert A Herschbach
<rah1@hopper.unh.edu> writes
>Hi...thought I would post this & see if anyone might be able to help. I
>appreciate any info. I have a good friend who I would like to introduce
>to ham radio. My friend is a graduate student from China. Can a
>foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S? If so, are there any
>unusual procedures? Or does she have to apply for a license given by her
>home country? Anyone know?
>
>Thanks and 73,
>
>KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach)
Hi Robert. Not only can foreigners get a U.S. licence they can get it in
any country where there are VEs. The only proviso is that they must have
a postal address in the States, yours will do. I took mine in the wilds
of Yorkshire, England.

Best wishes
--
Don Ward G0MDO/AA1FU

2719. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D17963.3BE8@nb.net>
Source record: 180234
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
>
>
> TTY is MUCH closer to modern communications methods than Morse ...
>
> Carl - wa6vse
> wa6vse@fast.net

Let's see...the machine I use for RTTY was made in 1942.
Yep, that's "modern" communications!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2720. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D18088.5FE2@nb.net>
Source record: 180235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 13:51:29 -0600, kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:
>
> >I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
> >not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
> >learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
> >designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
> >the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
> >know before I really mess something up.
> >
> >73,
> >John
>
> maybe you shouldn't do anything at all.
>
> or else start with 100 WPM and I am sure you can compete with lots of
> CWers in here.
>

John:

Don't listen to the Boy, he isn't a Amateur Radio operator.
5wpm is every much CW as 40wpm! After you learn the code,
get on the air and work as many stations every day to help
build you speed. Being on the air will build speed faster
than and tapes or computer programs. Even though I spend
99% of my time on the Extra portion of the CW bands, I go
to the Novice bands to help new CW operators gain experience.
Even though you are new and sending at 5wpm, you far outshine
any No-Code Tech!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2721. Re: Ask about Klingenfuss's books.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ingra-Beton@t-online.de
Message-ID: <6aqpjj$hd2$1@news01.btx.dtag.de>
Source record: 180236

Jiunn-jye Huang wrote:
>
> Hello,
> Recently I got a book named "Guide to Utility Stations", and I feel
> it very useful. And it mentioned some books as well.
> 1.Air and Meteo Code Manual
> 2.Guide to Facsimile Stations
> 3.Radioteletype Code Manual
> How could I find these books? How to buy or?
> Please e-mail to jjhuang@server.cm.nctu.edu.tw, 'coz I'm a soldier,

You can order the Book (or CD ROM version) from any
Ham store in Germany.

Greetings, ...

2722. Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cff515.1184564@news.total.net>
Source record: 180237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

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- Everything is based on what we get on the test !!

- Written professionally by whom holds Canadian Advanced and
CW qualification as well as all restricted class commercial
qualifications.

- "Evaluation" is free. By registering, you will receive
advanced qualification manual (when it becomes available) and
professional qualification full version manual (available now) free.

Again, the amateur study guide is available in PDF format at
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/study.pdf

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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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2723. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34cff406.914112@news.total.net>
Source record: 180238
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 16:59:40 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
wrote:

>> remembering the 500 questions for the written will require "someone"
>> to put some effort in to pass.

>But it does not require one to have any technical knowledge.
> Just about
>anyone can spend a couple of weeks (If that long) just going over the question
>pool and become familiar enough with it to associate the correct answer with
>each question.

yeah ?

doing CW doesn't require one to have anything except dits and dahs.
yeah ? I didn't take more than a day to practise, yeah ?

> Try it yourself. After you go through sections a couple of
>times you even stop reading the complete question.

> 2 meters and hear a lot more poor or illegal operators
> than on HF phone.
^^^^^^^^^^

if you say so... what at least I heard on 80m recent days was worse
than even CB. Ask someone.

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

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2724. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6ap2u6$qf1@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180239

Rigley L. Case wrote:
> If you outlaw contests that crowd the airwaves every weekend, your problem
> is solved.

You say that because you don't understand the benefits of contests.
Only the most efficient and robust equipment installations, from
radios, operating position, lead-in, to antenna, can be a serious
contender. Here, you'll find only the very best operators, knowledgable
of propagation conditions, international procedures, and operating tech-
niques who, when hearing something as simple as a single "dit", know how
to interpret such a cue.

These exceptional operators and the rock-solid stations they operate are
whom your community turns to when disaster strikes, for these communica-
tors voluntarily "train" themselves weekend after weekend, in the most
grueling mental and physical activity known to the amateur radio service.
No other operators are better prepared for the rigors of providing
emergency communications.

Jeff KH2PZ

2725. IMAGE reject mixers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: electron78@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129060001.BAA10405@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180240

I am a little confused as to what image reject mixers are capable of doing. Do they just reject a receiver's incoming image frequency from a signal that is at LO+IF, or do they also reject the undesired sideband when mixing down to the IF, such as the upper sideband (LO+RF), and keep the desired sideband (LO-RF)?

Many Thanks!

Mike

2726. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129061000.BAA22894@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180241

In article <6ao7l2ogb4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
(Rigley L. Case) writes:

>
"HEY OM. TNX FER THE CALL. UR 599 - WX HR IS WARM" followed by
>mindless
drivel about rigs and antennas. Loads of fun (NOT!)

I dunno, seems I spend a lot of time answering questions about my part of the country, my job, places I have been, even (gasp!) politics on extremely rare occasions. I have learned a lot about parts of the orld I have never been, too, and ways of life or jobs I would otherwise know nothing about.

UR right abt the WX. I don't really see what it matters. I like to break the ice talking about equipment, band conditions, etc. and I genuinely enjoy discussing antennas etc. Most hams do. I learn a lot about new techniques and design from other hams OTA. For Instance, it was an OM in Ecuador who first described the Hamcomm interface to me and sent me scrambling around for a copy of the program.

Exchanging MEANINGFUL RSTs is productive as transmit power, beam heading, etc can be optimized for conditions. I think a simple "QRK5" etc should be sufficiently detailed report for good RX, though, and these days we could well drop the "Tone" number alltogether.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2727. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6ap6lk$1i@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180242
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 20:42:25 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> posted:

>There is more public service communications taking
>place on the HF bands than the No-Code CB'ers do
>playing around on the FM repeaters.

To quote the Yo Doc, defender of the pro-code position:
Prove it.

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

2728. Re: Renewing Station License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Jennings <ki0eo@frontiernet.net>
Message-ID: <34D023A2.958@frontiernet.net>
Source record: 180243

Darin Vandecar wrote:
>
> I recently completed the standard FCC form for updating a station address.
> Upon receiving my new station license, I was surprised to see that my
> expiration was still only 2 years off. I expected my expiration to be
> extended for another 10 years. I even remember answering a question as to
> whether or not to renew the license.
>
> Can anyone tell me the appropriate form to extend the expiration...been out of
> amateur for several years and now finding the time to return.
>
> Darin
You can't extend the expiration. You should file your 610 abt. 90 to 60
days in advance of your expiration date for license renewal.
Whenever you have a change of address, change of callsign etc.. the
expiration will stay the same.

73's
Don Jennings..KI0EO..
VE ARRL/VEC

2729. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D02634.60C9@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180244
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

James W. KELLEY wrote:
> Everyone's license is expiring today Michael! All amateur licenses begin
> to expire on the date they are issued. They all have the same term (all
> licenses reach expiration 10 years from the date of issue, and a new one
> is issued when a license is renewed), therefore all licenses expire at
> exactly the same rate.
>

??????? 'Fraid not, James. *No* technician licenses will expire until the first one has been issued for ten years, *then and only then* will they begin to expire at same rate as all others have been and still do.

Only at that time will the statement 'all licenses expire at the same rate' be valid. They must *begin* expiring before the statement can be valid.

How many Generals expired this week? How many Technicians? Same rate?

Dick W0EX

2730. Re: "5wpm is NO CODE!?!??!?" :-(

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: gdfthr768@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129065401.BAA16000@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180245

Hey Tim-
Thanks for your kind words! In as much as I don't at ALL plan to stay at 5wpm, I take heart in knowing that it is not REALLY looked upon as "that bad", as your reply and other replies have indicated! Thanks again and "73"!!! :-)
Mike in MO.

2731. Armstrong Web Site - New material

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: mkatzdorn@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129065801.BAA16403@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180246

Several new documents and photos have been added to the E. H. Armstrong Web Site.

http://www.erols.com/oldradio

Radio's premier inventor, Armstrong was responsible for the regenerative, superheterodyne and superregenerative circuits and the complete FM system.

View hundreds of rarely (or never) seen documents and photos.

If you have been to the site before - be sure to refresh your browser - the new items are noted on the 'view by selected highlights' page.

Hope you enjoy!

Mike Katzdorn
oldradio@erols.com

2732. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129080601.DAA21585@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180247

In article <01bd2c4a$c69fb7c0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

>
RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote in
>article
<19980128230100.SAA02121@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
>
> It's not a
>hazing ritual.

Sure it is ...

Nope. I wasn't hazed... I sat down and took the 13. I missed by a question.
I stayed and took the 5 WPM and passed with the first minute being solid copy.
I was congragulated, not hazed.

> It's not a connection to "the good ol'
>days", though
> some of us do happen to wax nostalgic over CW.

Sure it is
>...

OK, maybe it IS. So?

> It's not necessarily the most robust mode either,

That is quite clear
>and quite correct ...

> with Pactor II for one giving it a good run for the
>money.

It's not a question of "giving it a good run for the money."
Pactor
>II (and Clover, and even simple BFSK) can handily
kick OOK Morse's ass in
>terms of spectral efficiency and
weak signal performance. That has been
>proven MANY, MANY
times through simple analyses presented in this forum
>by
several of us.

What good does it do to have a throughput of a kilobaud if I can only type
about 35 WPM? Computer-assisted digital modes are indeed superior for handling
messages, but the extra throughput is waaaay overkill for casual ragchewing.

Bandwidth is the benchmark for that
> But, it is the cheapest,

Sorry, but I'll pop the extra
>15-20 cents for a varactor and
do BFSK/MSK with the same simple rig. The
>receiver is no more
complicated, and I already have several computers on my
>(home)
LAN which could easily do the encoding and decoding (including
FEC)
>that will easily blow away OOK Morse ... not a bad investment
of that 15-20
>cents, I'd say ...

Not all of us have computers... all of us hams, that is.

Get over the hang=up of "copying by ear" ... it's most
>inefficient.

Doesn't seem inefficient to me. I hear and I understand, as long as the other op stays below 30 and sends decent code.

> it is not spectrum-hungry,

It is clearly not the most
>spectrally efficient mode available.
(The only VALID metric for spectral
>efficiency is bits/sec/Hz,
not just raw bandwidth ... and remember that if we
>slow better
digital modes WAAAAAYYYYY DOWWWWN to Morse thruput rates,
>they'll
take less bandwidth than Morse, too.)

Say WHAT? how do you figure less bandwidth? There are at least two distinct tones used, no matter how narrow the shift, so while it can indeed approach CW in narrowness of bandwidth, I can't see for the life of me how it could surpass it.

> and it encourages
>
>homebrewing requiring only simple designs.

Adding a 15-20 cent varactor is
>NOT a BFD in terms of complexity.
This argument for OOK Morse has long-since
>worn out ...

As a matter of fact, on the simplest of CW QRP transmitters, you will be nearly doubling the parts count, and requiring interfacing to a computer.

> It is a good beginning place for
> the newcomer. I don't

>need a $3000 station to copy CW, nor to send it.

You don't need a $3k
>station for better things either ... with some
creative construction, parts
>scrounging, etc. a suitable station can
be assembled for very little ... in
>fact, XT/AT and even 386 computers
that would be quite capable can be had in
>many areas simply by "dumpster-
diving" in industrial parks, as businesses
>upgrade to new Pentium machines
and to software that requires a minimum of
>W95 and a 486/Pentium CPU.

Believe me, there are no ccomputers in dumpsters down here in the valley.

> If it weren't for CW, I would never have
>become a ham. Couldn't have
afforded
> it.

Learn to scrounge better and
>upgrade your station to this century's level
of technology ... you might even
>learn some things in the process (and that's
the primary purpose of ham
>radio).

As a matter of fact, almost everything I have ever built has been largely with scrounged materials. I learn something even if I'm just building a new key or troubleshooting a power supply. My technology IS this century's technology. What century do you think CW was invented? or the Sperhet receiver? DSP? Even my keys are built with modern materials when appropriate.

I am not prejudiced against ANY mode. I have a computer, and I have worked several digital and a couple of image modes. I enjoy it, too, but I really like CW. You, on the other hand, seem to have a manic hatred for CW. instead of looking for common ground, you zero in on CW as a divisive issue.

By the way, the varactor for FSK is a pretty neat way to go, I'll give you that. I have often mulled the same idea over but haven't actually tried it yet. But for a first project, I would still recommend a simple crystal controlled single stage transmitter with minimal parts count, using discrete components for clarity. I'm afraid that still means CW.

If you think of any potential pitfals with the varactor FSK thing, which I assume you have used, fire me an e-mail if it is convenient. I don't remember ever seeing anything published on this. Actually, a complete project article would probably go good in QST.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley

In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2733. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129080600.DAA03164@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180248

In article <19980129004601.TAA01178@ladder03.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
Really? I find it hard to believe that you wouldn't have been able to
>afford
$5-10 for a garage-sale CB and convert it to 10 meters. This would
>have been a
much more useful skill for you to have learned, as opposed to
>Morse code.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK
>TOUGH!!"

10 meters wouldn't have done me much good, Drew. I needed a long-haul band as I spent a lot of time at sea. I didn't have access to garage sales either, nor have I ever seen a $5 CB. With my homebrew rig I had 15 in the afternoon and 40 in the evening and morning, and my little pebble-polisher did make a lot of near-transatlantic contacts before I graduated to a 100 watt allband wonderbox. Furthermore, with the resources I had at hand, it was still easier to build a transmitter than convert a CB. Cheaper, too, in the case of the old crystal controlled CBs. Also, I wanted to do more with radio than just pick up a mic and ratchet jaw with all the good buddies, and what fone traffic I heard in my pre-license days sometimes didn't appeal to me. CW was not particularly hard to learn, either, though I admit that the elusive 30 WPM barrier is gonna be a long struggle for me, and I'm not certain now that even if I had the time on my ticket, I could get a minute of solid copy at 25 for my 1st Class ticket.

I guess you think converting CBs to 10 is a more useful skill than CW or the ability to build oscillators, PAs and filters from scratch?

Admit it. You're prejudiced against CW because you had a tough time with it. Unless you have a learning disorder of some kind, the right approach will make a lot of difference. You probably just got steered in the wrong direction and learned using the "count' method. Download one of the many shareware morse programs and mess with it using the Farnsworth-style timing. You don't have to tell anybody... you can keep it a secret if you don't want anybody to know you are finally taking your medicine.

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2734. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129080600.DAA21587@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180249

In article <19980129004600.TAA01188@ladder03.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
No. YOU'RE missing the point. If you wish to hold on to outdated
>and
irrelevant requirements, pick another mode of transmission. Attempting
>to keep
a "private club" on publicly-owned radio frequencies just doesn't cut
>it.

It's not a private club. ANYBODY can get a license. You don't have to be a citizen. you can be blind, deaf, whatever. There are no age limits, You have a license. If HF were my private club, do you think you would have a ticket? You studied and learnt the code. You earned your license the same way I did. If you did it, Drew, nobody can use the excuse that it is too hard. Pretty cosmopolitan bunch, us hams.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
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dit diddy-dit dit.....

2735. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129080600.DAA03167@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180250

In article <6ap2u6$qf1@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
writes:

>
These exceptional operators and the rock-solid stations they operate
>are
whom your community turns to when disaster strikes, for these
>communica-
tors voluntarily "train" themselves weekend after weekend, in the
>most
grueling mental and physical activity known to the amateur radio
>service.
No other operators are better prepared for the rigors of
>providing
emergency communications.

Jeff KH2PZ

Well said, Jeff. Excellent arguments.

73 de AB5VH
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
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dit diddy-dit dit.........

2736. ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: rah1@hopper.unh.edu
Message-ID: <slrn6d0f7p.7hl.rah1@hopper.unh.edu>
Source record: 180251

Hi...thought I would post this & see if anyone might be able to help. I appreciate any info. I have a good friend who I would like to introduce to ham radio. My friend is a graduate student from China. Can a foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S? If so, are there any unusual procedures? Or does she have to apply for a license given by her home country? Anyone know?

Thanks and 73,

KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach)

2737. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34D0460B.6FC8@idog.com>
Source record: 180252
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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M Johnson wrote:
>
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
> > things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
> > Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
> > classes yet!!)
> >
>
> Not a topic I want to get started on this group but I can't help but think of
> how shallow someone's life must be without History and Literature.
>

For those people who WORK for a living, it is of no use.
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2738. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34D046D3.4C2F@idog.com>
Source record: 180253
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Charlie wrote:
>
> On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 01:29:06 -0600, "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com> posted:
>
> >Rigley L. Case wrote:
> >>
> >> The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
> >> the pike since compound interest. It's just an excuse to get a few extra
> >> bucks in tuition out of students who already up to their arses in student
> >> loans.
> >>
> >>
> >Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
> >than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
> >not be used in real life.
>
> I agree. However, would you not also agree that it is valuable to have
> AWARENESS of the existence of that "worthless information"? This is NOT to say
> that one must then study that information in detail. If for no other reason,
> such awareness, simplifies knowing and searching for more, IF and ONLY IF one at
> some future time wishes to possess more detailed knowledge in a particular area.
> Comment?
>

You can be aware that something is worthless without having to study it
for weeks!

It only takes a few seconds to know if something is a waste of your
time.

2739. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34D048BC.146A@idog.com>
Source record: 180254
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

>
> Another misinformed guy wondering around in the dark!
>
> Walt.
> CW FOREVER!

Your statement and signiture file contradict each other, are you using
someone else's computer?

2740. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34D04974.5B98@idog.com>
Source record: 180255
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

Rigley L. Case wrote:
>
> jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman) says,
>
> >>No, the correct analogy would be...
> >>Why learn a foreign language if you have no intention of ever USING it.
> > >
> > >Bad analogy. When about half the people speak that foreign language,
> > >then that's reason enough for you to learn it. You might not have
> > >any intention to speak that language yourself, but because that language
> > >can be spoken anywhere you intend to go (operate), you should be
> > >knowledgable of it.
> > >
> > >Jeff KH2PZ
>
> You should be more specific and say that half the people speak that
> language, but only in certain portions of the band. They're rarely heard
> in the phone sections of HF.
>

And actually, it is not even a language, just a more slow and
complicated way to speak the SAME language! It would sure suck to have
to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
to talk letter by letter in code!!

2741. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
Message-ID: <34D04B91.6943@idog.com>
Source record: 180256
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:

>
> But it does not require one to have any technical knowledge. Just about
> anyone can spend a couple of weeks (If that long) just going over the question
> pool and become familiar enough with it to associate the correct answer with
> each question. Try it yourself. After you go through sections a couple of
> times you even stop reading the complete question. You only read far enough
> to trigger the association and then jump to the correct answer.

Isn't this the same about memorizing morse code?! What is your point?
At least memorizing the technical stuff will be USEFULL later.

2742. 29MHz AM.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Anders Janis <94adj@mail.ryp.umu.se>
Message-ID: <6aplce$kc7$1@studium.student.umu.se>
Source record: 180257

Anyone run any AM on 28-29MHz. Is there any calling frequensy or channels?

/SM4RNA

2743. New Radio Nesgroup

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: bry@REMOVETHIS.mnsinc.com
Message-ID: <34d06402.3510082@news.mnsinc.com>
Source record: 180258
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

For some GREAT on-line pictures of various radios, see the NEW
NEWSGROUP:

alt.binaries.pictiures.radio

If your ISP is not carrying it on their NEWS SERVER, ask them to!!

They can get it for you easily but they have to be ASKED to turn it
on!!

See http://www.mnsinc.com/bry/hamfiles.htm
for a great variety of radio files and information.
AF4K / G3XLQ

2744. Re: THIS IS WHAT YOUR LOOKING FOR!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129121401.HAA01340@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180259

In article <6apo0r$888$5041@post.servtech.com>, jaclacjh@thisisit.com writes:

>**
* This Article
>was Posted By Newsgroup AutoPoster 95!! *
* The worlds most effective Auto
>Poster to Newsgroups!!! *
* Download your own copy from:
>*
* http://www.ustudent.com/bigprofit/
>*
****

Great! AUTO-SPAM that even brags about it's ability to spam multiple
newsgroups effectively.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2745. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129121400.HAA12781@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180260

In article <19980129080600.DAA21587@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>It's not a private club. ANYBODY can get a license. You don't have to be
>a
citizen. you can be blind, deaf, whatever. There are no age limits, You
>have
a license. If HF were my private club, do you think you would have a
>ticket?
You studied and learnt the code. You earned your license the same
>way I did.
If you did it, Drew, nobody can use the excuse that it is too
>hard. Pretty
cosmopolitan bunch, us hams.

You don't get it, do you? The point is that the testing requirements must be relevant when it involves authority to do something as granted by the government. Morse code is no longer relevant. Ultimately, the code issue will end up in the courts and will likely be struck down as a result of this.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2746. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129121500.HAA01341@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180261

In article <19980129080600.DAA03164@ladder03.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>10 meters wouldn't have done me much good, Drew. I needed a long-haul band
>as
I spent a lot of time at sea.

That's not what you said in the previous post. You said that you just couldn't possibly have afforded to get started in ham radio, if not for that precious Morse code.

>I didn't have access to garage sales
>either, nor
>have I ever seen a $5 CB.

I've seen plenty. Some as low as a dollar or two. People have them sitting in their basements or garages and just want to get rid of them. I have picked up SSB rigs for as low as $5, with PLLs that are easilly modifiable for freeband and/or 10-meter coverage. You really need to get out more.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2747. Re: Transmit from 30000 ft high

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d075f4.532146@news.total.net>
Source record: 180262
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur

On Wed, 21 Jan 1998 16:53:23 GMT, orion@xyznycap.rr.com wrote:

>In case you didn't know, masacutieboy does this alot. He posts some
>outrageous question or statement and then sits back and watches,
>hoping for a flame war. Best to ignor him.

I was curious about the range of transmitting from 30000ft high but
the topic seemed to change... I didn't change the topic...

I know you don't like me, but please don't offend me for "no reason".

I know pro-CWers want to keep CW requirements, but please don't force
or offend others by doing so.

Sincerely,

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
C&#65533;: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

2748. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: alcue@xalbany.net
Message-ID: <34d07861.36634394@news.albany.net>
Source record: 180263
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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Take this crap to rec.radio.amateur.misc, you idiots.
Remove "x" in reply-to address to reach me.
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2749. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <6apvee$f37@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180264

All the student needs to do is take the appropriate U.S. amateur exams and s/he will get a U.S. license. There is no requirement to have a license from the "home" country. A stateside address for the U.S. license to be mailed to is required. Contact your local VE team for more info.

Glenn, AA5PK

KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach) wrote:
> Can a foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S?

2750. Re: First Two Meter Rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Jim (N8XYN)" <jim.n8xyn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6apvkt$o5i@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180265
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.scanner

They ALL work very well! I'm sure someone will tell you this radio or that radio is better. Its been my experaince that the makers of commercail ham gear all have a fine product. Just pick the radio with the features and a price you like. Radioshack has one advantage in that you can just walk the radio into a local store for repairs. 73 DE N8XYN
bk42047@swt.edu wrote in message <886036579.848429068@dejanews.com>...
>I am new to the world of ham radio and am hoping to recieve my technician
>license soon. Since I am new to ham radio, I am not sure what brands of
>radios are better than others and which models are best. I would like to
>buy a 2 meter mobile rig, preferably one that is under $300 dollars. I
>have thought about the radio shack htx-242, the icom ic-2000h, the alinco
>dr-140, and the kenwood tm-261a because they are all under $300 dollars.
>I was wondering if anyone could tell which of the above listed radios, or
>any other radio for under $300 would be best for a beginner. Any help or
>comments would be greatly appreciated.
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>
>Thanks
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>Brian
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>
>--------------------==== Posted via Deja News ====-----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2751. Re: First Two Meter Rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Jim (N8XYN)" <jim.n8xyn@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6apvo1$ohf@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180266
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.scanner

They ALL work very well! I'm sure someone will tell you this radio or that radio is better. Its been my experaince that the makers of commercail ham gear all have a fine product. Just pick the radio with the features and a price you like. Radioshack has one advantage in that you can just walk the radio into a local store for repairs. 73 DE N8XYN
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>Brian
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2752. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <6apvr4$ghl@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180267

All the student needs to do is take the appropriate U.S. amateur exams and s/he will get a U.S. license. There is no requirement to have a license from the "home" country. A stateside address for the U.S. license to be mailed to is required. Contact your local VE team for more info.

Glenn, AA5PK

KB4ZGU (Robert Herschbach) wrote:
> Can a foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S?

2753. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6apq24$3j3$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180268

In article <6ap2u6$qf1@news.Hawaii.Edu>,
Jeffrey Herman <jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu> wrote:

>You say that because you don't understand the benefits of contests.
>Only the most efficient and robust equipment installations, from
>radios, operating position, lead-in, to antenna, can be a serious contender.

I'm sorry Jeff, I have to disagree with you.

In most respects, contests are little more than a dick-size war. Serious contesters spend tens of thousands of dollars on setting up elaborate stations with SOTA radios, amps, towers, etc. "Joe Ham" can't compete, that's why if you examine the "results" section of QST you'll see many of the same callsigns over and over again. For instance, here in RI we have one guy (KM1X, a fellow member at W1AQ) who is *always* in the top finishers for RI. Another club member and serious contester, W1RR, just spend major dollars setting up a new contest center in his basement. Yet another very good friend of mine (NM1Z) lived in DC for a couple of years, and has told me several times about a fellow in MD (can't recall the callsign) who has a "contest center" -- a building with several 200' rotating towers, stacked yagis, Alpha amps, etc. Regardless, my little FT900 barefoot into a dipole ain't gonna compete.

For the most part, I despise contests, although I usually participate in them for a short period of time, to give people a chance to work a RI or HI station, depending on where I am anchored at the time. I certainly would never consider eliminating or restricting them. However, I do think that contest promoters should have "proctors" monitor the bands during major contests, and disqualify or deduct points from those operators on the bands who operate discourtiously.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2754. Goodby

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cmjk2og@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129151501.KAA15675@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180269

This will be my last check of this newsgroup. I'll just have to sacrifice the 1 percent of intelligent messages that appear on this board. Please don't cry for me. I'll survive.

2755. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D09C86.664B@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180270
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

Rigley L. Case wrote:
>
> DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> says,
>
> >You people are missing the point...
> >If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
> >Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!
> >
> >Walt.
> >CW FOREVER!
>
> I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements.

There are always some who hate the requirements *whatever* they
are....it will still be so when code is long gone.. GIMME, GIMME, GIMME

2756. I would like to get in touch with Kevin KW5Q

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Message-ID: <34d0ab27.1083396@news.interbusiness.it>
Source record: 180271

Hallo to All.
I would like to get in touch with : Kevin J. McWilliams, KW5Q.
I have tried also his e-mail but it is an old one.
Does anyone of you in USA know him ?
Thank you.

Buon divertimento e saluti da Filippo
fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Insula Capri
Mare_Nostrum

Remove : -key* to send e-mail

2757. Retests and CW/CB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: tech <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.3.95.980129104141.18740A-100000@home.dp.net>
Source record: 180272

I have an idea.......

Why not just eliminate the Ham and CB bands altogether and then MAYBE we can talk about something a little more important. This then JUST MIGHT end the continuous thrashing of insults and blame back and forth between CBers, Hams and those who dislike any facet of either function, be it CW or whatever.

No retest is going to cure ALL, if any, of the problems. It certainly won't take out the "crazies" who willfully and defiantly go against all rules. So, either we learn as a radio society to live with each other, or someone else be it the FCC, big business or who ever or a combination will end it all for us. Can't we just enjoy the hobby and try to get along???????

As they say, money talks and bull shit walks. And all of the problems, fighting, casting blame, cheating on exams, not respecting the rules of the land so far as radio, etc, is nothing but BULL SHIT.
WE better enjoy it, while it's still had to be enjoyed. And as we all know, there are those, who are at this very moment, working towards an end to the hobbies to an extent. So we better wake up BEFORE it's too late.

I am a Ham operator. Once proud of the hobby, but dismayed over the dismal outlook. I am also a past CBer. I left that band because all I ever heard when I turned it on toward the end was, Hey John I'm coming over there to kick your ass, and so on and so forth. Nine times out of ten, the parties were drunk or sure sounded like it. I bought my radios to talk on, not to hear a night at the fights via radio. And the worst part is, it was like being chained to the same channel, as that's about all you hear now a days. In the last week, I turned on the CB after about a year. AGAIN, all I heard was threats of people doing harm to others. It hasn't changed.

Come on people........ Lets start acting like humans with intelligence. If any aliens heard this stuff, they'd have no problem knowing or thinking, we have NO INTELLIGENCE. There is a lot of radio spectrum to be had and enjoyed, if we just learn to appreciate each other and mind the rules. Instead of drawing a battle line, this is a hobby, which SHOULD be viewed as a MUTUAL INTEREST. WE MUTUALLY can save and ENJOY the hobbies. INSTEAD of destroying them as we are.

If you think radio is bad, Internet is next. Look at how many people are sending Spam XXX e-mail to all N.G.s. It isn't needed or wanted, by most. And, kids, women and even men to some extent aren't safe on here anymore. That is a proven fact. So, unless we start acting as a civilized society, whether on radio or computer, where ever, we are ALL in trouble. These atrocites can only spell restrictions if not deletions from our present

right(s) to have these hobbies/interests.

Just an opinion.

IF you disagree, save your flames. Everyone is entilted to their own.
If you agree, then pray for a better radio/computer tomorrow. WE'll need it.

Tech@DP.NET

2758. Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Gary R. Hoffman" <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Message-ID: <34D0B16C.41C67EA6@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Source record: 180273

Yes, this is the same question that gets posted every few weeks.
This time, however, I am going to take the replies and put
them on a special page at my Web site. (I am collecting ham
folklore.)

So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
If you can include your source it would be helpful. All stories
and their variants (except the patently ridiculous ones) will
be greatly appreciated.

Gary
KB0QGE
gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

2759. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0AFE1.1216DC5E@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180274

CBRambo wrote:

> I've seen plenty. Some as low as a dollar or two.

Ever wonder why they would be getting rid of their CB for a buck? Probably because they turned it on and found it was totally useless because of the local lids on the band. Heck a dollar or two is still 10 times more than what it is worth.

> People have them sitting in
> their basements or garages and just want to get rid of them.

Which just shows you that they have good taste. Heck CB maybe the availability of so many cheep, used, CB radios in your area has something to do with your operating style on CB?.

> I have picked up
> SSB rigs for as low as $5,

And then when you tried to get out of the store they busted you for shoplifting.

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Still hiding in that trailer court using mommy's aol account

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

But all we hear is the same whimpering from behind mommy's skirts

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2760. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0B29E.E320C7A6@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180275

CBRambo wrote:

> No. YOU'RE missing the point. If you wish to hold on to outdated and
> irrelevant requirements, pick another mode of transmission. Attempting to
> keep
> a "private club" on publicly-owned radio frequencies just doesn't cut it.

So tell us O wise and all knowing CB, just what are the members of this private club doing to prevent you from learning CW? Are they focusing some kind of mind numbing brain wave at you that erases your CW learning abilities? There is nothing any hf operator can do to prevent you from upgrading and using hf. Your private club theory just does not exist.

In fact you are probably the proof that CW requirements do act as a filter.

Heck, if you think you have the "right" to use any public frequency then why don't you just start transmitting on your local public safety frequencies and then tell those big men in blue suits with big sticks about your rights...

> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Still hiding in the trailer park using mommy's aol account

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Still whimpering behind mommy's skirts

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2761. Computer control of Yeasu HF--Comments?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: jonk <jonk@moonlink.net>
Message-ID: <34D0B60D.661EBD60@moonlink.net>
Source record: 180276
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: vcard.vcf

Hi all,
I'm looking for recommendations/ comments on any software designed
to use the CAT function of the Yeasu HF rigs(mine is FT-840). It would
be nice if this control software also functioned as a DX logger. Any
such animal out there?

Thanks for your help.

73s de Jonathan ko6xs

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

2762. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0BA47.558BEAF4@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180277
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> >
> > Not a topic I want to get started on this group but I can't help but think
> of
> > how shallow someone's life must be without History and Literature.
> >
>
> For those people who WORK for a living, it is of no use.

That's strange. In the 35 years I have been working I have found that the most successful people were the ones who had an expanded education with a wide view and range rather than one based on tunnel vision. How sad to have to miss so much in one's life.

If the only things that you should learn about are those related to your work why are you interested in ham radio?

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2763. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0BE3B.DA018642@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180278
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:

> Rigley L. Case wrote:
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> >
> > I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements.
>
> There are always some who hate the requirements *whatever* they
> are....it will still be so when code is long gone.. GIMME, GIMME, GIMME

Yup, I have already heard if from a few. They argue that with today's modern HF rigs there is no longer a need for theory because, other than setting a power level, they do not have to "tune" the transmitter.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2764. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0BC25.945AA569@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> It would sure suck to have
> to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> to talk letter by letter in code!!

How Big of you to have just insulted the thousands of people who have to
use tty on the phone to communicate. But I guess we should not have expected
you to know that with your tunnel vision education.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2765. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0ba13.618885581@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

From: Ed Soniat <ed@texas.gtri.gatech.edu>
>
>Gary:
>
>An excellent response on the value of code as a low SNR mode. One thing that
>I didn't read was what are the low tech solutions to low SNR communications?

Coherent is low tech by today's standards. It only requires what amounts
to downright primitive equipment.

>Should Morse code be replaced by anything that a human with a simple radio
>transmitter and an even simpler radio receiver can use.

Realize that the simplest practical transmitters for OOK Morse
can also be used for FSK with only the most trivial of modifications
(a shift capacitor and keying transistor). And any receiver practical
for copying OOK Morse can also copy FSK. And it has been proved
that, when sent slowly enough for manual human interpretation, FSK
is more reliably discerned by ear than is OOK. Early arc transmitter
operators did this because making and breaking the arc wasn't
practical, so they FSKed it instead. Even when using Morse, FSK
is better than OOK. Today's amateurs generally don't know that
because they've never thought of doing it.

By ear copy of uniform codes is also possible. For example, I can
copy some words and phrases sent in 60 WPM Baudot by ear simply
from long exposure to RTTY. If sent more slowly, and if one had good
reason to practice, there's no reason it couldn't be solid by ear copy.
Of course machine decoders are even better, and much faster, and
can also be quite simple. The simplest high performance decoder is
the old Hoff TU from 1963. It uses 88mH toroid passive filters and a
simple 12AT7 vacuum tube slicer. Today we'd use a garden variety
opamp for the slicer. This unit is about 70% to 80% as good as today's
DSP units at a fixed speed, and that still makes it better than what can
be done by ear. But we can do DSP with as few as 2 chips, and that lets
us dynamically adapt to channel conditions, so there's no reason not to
use them instead.

>When the fecal matter hits the impeller KISS is best.

That's often true, and the most important thing to be KISS
is the most unreliable component, the operator as decoder.
Fatigue, stress, and injury can cause operator performance
as a decoder to deteriorate dramatically. Machines don't
become fatigued, aren't subject to stress, and have infinite

patience to deal with any poor communications channel.
They are better than the human operator is at his best.
They also allow those without much training to use them
effectively in situations where the primary operator may
be incapacitated. This can be critical in an emergency.

Machine decoders are at least as reliable as the radios
to which they are attached, and as easily repaired if
necessary. The same can't be said in general about the
operator. His wetware modem is exceedingly complex.
Our best neuroscientists don't fully understand how it
works, and are frequently unable to affect repairs on it
when it malfunctions. We do understand machine
decoders, and we can repair them if necessary.

>If you feel this question is worthy of response and will enhance the
>dialogue feel free to post it to the group.

It has all been said before on the groups, but it bears repeating.

>I for one as a Tech No code, with aspirations for HF privilages don't
>feel held back by the code. I am very glad that there is a no
>code entry point. I wouldn't be an operator with out it, and at the very
>least I am a voice helping preserve frequency allocations.

Indeed, and at least some of us are happy that you've had the opportunity
to become an amateur in that fashion. Realize that wasn't always the case.
A number of us fought for a decade to make it happen. Its fine that you
don't find code speed testing a barrier to full amateur privileges, but
many do. Now if there were any reason to believe that Morse speed was
essential to being a full privilege amateur, I'd say "tough" to those who
want to avoid it. But that isn't the case.

There is no compelling reason remaining for an amateur to be able to
receive Morse at a certain speed. Once, a very long time ago, there was
a compelling reason. That was interoperability with life safety stations
sharing our allocations who only used Morse. Amateurs needed to know
Morse so that the life safety stations could tell them to QRT when they
interfered with life safety communications.

But life safety services don't use Morse anymore, and they don't
share frequencies with amateurs either. So the rationale for the test
requirement has become a moot point. Morse speed testing no longer
addresses any compelling government regulatory concern. And its
testing has become a regulatory artifact which needs to be removed.
Morse is just one of many modes an amateur may voluntarily choose
to use. And if he chooses to do so, he perforce must become competent
in its use. No formal test is required, only the real test we all pass or
fail every day with any amateur mode, that of making a contact on the
air.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net

534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2766. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d0bed8.620107428@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180281
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 11:48:50 -0700, Will White <will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>
>> All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
>> 160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and data
>> segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
>> on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
>> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was amateur
>> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
>> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
>> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>
>I saw some video on PBS recently (last month), can't say what show, of
>Russian military training communications ppl in Morse, using straight
>keys! What band *doesn't* permit CW operation?

I'm not surprised. Russia is a third world economy which attempted
to field a first world military. But aside from the trappings of nuclear
weapons and missiles, it never succeeded. Much of its infrastructure
is still primitive. They even still make vacuum tubes over there. But
they do know better. Some of the best data algorithms have come
from Russians. They just don't yet have the microelectronics
infrastructure to field them properly on the necessary scale. We
don't have that excuse.

The 219 MHz amateur band is restricted to point to point data emissions
only.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2767. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0C20A.37755B3@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180282
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> yeah ?
>
> doing CW doesn't require one to have anything except dits and dahs.
> yeah ? I didn't take more than a day to practise, yeah ?

What kind of medication do they have you on Cutie?

> > 2 meters and hear a lot more poor or illegal operators
> > than on HF phone.
> ^^^^^^^^^^^
>
> if you say so... what at least I heard on 80m recent days was worse
> than even CB. Ask someone.
>

Well, for one thing when you listen to the 80 meter trash operators you are hearing most of them in the whole country. When you listen to 11 meters or 2 meters you usually only hear the local yokels. I really doubt there is anyone here that can prove that there local 11 meter band has fewer lids than all of the 80 meter trash gang. Unless of course they live in a rural area that has very few CBers or hams in the first place.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2768. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: jwkelley@e4e.oac.uci.edu
Message-ID: <6aqgbr$i01@news.service.uci.edu>
Source record: 180283
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34D02634.60C9@scan.missouri.org>,
Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote:
>James W. KELLEY wrote:
>> Everyone's license is expiring today Michael! All amateur licenses begin
>> to expire on the date they are issued. They all have the same term (all
>> licenses reach expiration 10 years from the date of issue, and a new one
>> is issued when a license is renewed), therefore all licenses expire at
>> exactly the same rate.

>??????? 'Fraid not, James. *No* technician licenses will expire until
>the first one has been issued for ten years, *then and only then* will
>they begin to expire at same rate as all others have been and still do.

Everyone's license expires after 10 years Dick. Most obtain a renewed
license within 60 days of the end of that term. The renewed license is a
new license with a new expiration date, and it expires at the same rate
as the old one.

> Only at that time will the statement 'all licenses expire at the same
>rate' be valid. They must *begin* expiring before the statement can be
>valid.

The term of license can be viewed either as a step function (which is the
only way you and MD evidently are able to view it), or it can also be viewed
as a ramp function, as I suggested in my example. It was MD's use of the
expression "expiration _rate_" which implied the latter, and lead me into
this discourse.

Either a license begins to expire on the date it is issued and expires at
a constant rate until it's term is complete, or it's term is put on hold,
and the entire 10 year period is compressed into a single instant of time
at 12 midnight on the date of expiration. It has to be one way or the
other (and the latter seems the less likely of the two).

This was really just an exercise in semantics and mathematics - an exercise
in which you and MD have not done particularly well.

>How many Generals expired this week? How many Technicians? Same rate?

I don't really follow the obituaries much. Kinda depressing to me
sometimes. Prolly the oldest guys expire in the greatest numbers I should
think. I suppose their individual rate of expiration could be determined
by dividing their age in years at the time of death into 1, resulting in
units of life/year. Their licenses all have the same expiration rate
though. The rate of expiration of an amateur radio license is .1
license/year.

It's a joke man! I'll bet you guys are a real riot at parties.

Jim, AC6XG

2769. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0C300.1EB5EE8E@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Mark Morgan wrote:

> More or a higher proportion I note that you say CB is wrose than 2M
> proof that CW is needed to produce a better operator
>
> Mark Morgan
> KB9RQZ

Hi Mark,
Not at all. This shows the the effort to take the theory test does weed out
some of the bad operators just as the CW test weeds out even more.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2770. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D0C5AE.C0035B4A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180285
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:

> Isn't this the same about memorizing morse code?! What is your point?
> At least memorizing the technical stuff will be USEFULL later.

There is a lot of memorization done to first learn the code as in a lot of things we learn. But at least after you do this you will be able to do something useful with the knowledge such as receive a message sent in CW.

Please tell me how memorizing the correct answer on a question solving the phase angle of a series XC, XL, R circuit is going to help you later when you need to find the phase angle for another series circuit. Memorizing the answer does not require you to know anything about the formulas used or the theory involved.

73
Mark
WA0DCA

2771. Re: Renewing Station License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: LHS <c3p0@starwars.com>
Message-ID: <#kkM3JOL9GA.164@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>
Source record: 180286

Not completly true...

I just got a call sign change and my expiration date was changed to 10 years
after the issuance of my new call.

Lawrence K5LHS

****
****
Don Jennings wrote in message <34D023A2.958@frontiernet.net>...
Darin Vandecar wrote:
>
> I recently completed the standard FCC form for updating a station address.
> Upon receiving my new station license, I was surprised to see that my
> expiration was still only 2 years off. I expected my expiration to be
> extended for another 10 years. I even remember answering a question as to
> whether or not to renew the license.
>
> Can anyone tell me the appropriate form to extend the expiration...been
out of
> amateur for several years and now finding the time to return.
>
> Darin
You can't extend the expiration. You should file your 610 abt. 90 to 60
days in advance of your expiration date for license renewal.
Whenever you have a change of address, change of callsign etc.. the
expiration will stay the same.

73's
Don Jennings..KI0EO..
VE ARRL/VEC

2772. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c4a$c69fb7c0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180370

RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980128230100.SAA02121@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
>
> It's not a hazing ritual.

Sure it is ...

> It's not a connection to "the good ol' days", though
> some of us do happen to wax nostalgic over CW.

Sure it is ...

> It's not necessarily the most robust mode either,

That is quite clear and quite correct ...

> with Pactor II for one giving it a good run for the money.

It's not a question of "giving it a good run for the money."
Pactor II (and Clover, and even simple BFSK) can handily
kick OOK Morse's ass in terms of spectral efficiency and
weak signal performance. That has been proven MANY, MANY
times through simple analyses presented in this forum by
several of us.

> But, it is the cheapest,

Sorry, but I'll pop the extra 15-20 cents for a varactor and
do BFSK/MSK with the same simple rig. The receiver is no more
complicated, and I already have several computers on my (home)
LAN which could easily do the encoding and decoding (including
FEC) that will easily blow away OOK Morse ... not a bad investment
of that 15-20 cents, I'd say ...

Get over the hang=up of "copying by ear" ... it's most inefficient.

> it is not spectrum-hungry,

It is clearly not the most spectrally efficient mode available.
(The only VALID metric for spectral efficiency is bits/sec/Hz,
not just raw bandwidth ... and remember that if we slow better
digital modes WAAAAAYYYYY DOWWWWN to Morse thruput rates, they'll
take less bandwidth than Morse, too.)

> and it encourages
> homebrewing requiring only simple designs.

Adding a 15-20 cent varactor is NOT a BFD in terms of complexity.
This argument for OOK Morse has long-since worn out ...

> It is a good beginning place for
> the newcomer. I don't need a $3000 station to copy CW, nor to send it.

You don't need a $3k station for better things either ... with some creative construction, parts scrounging, etc. a suitable station can be assembled for very little ... in fact, XT/AT and even 386 computers that would be quite capable can be had in many areas simply by "dumpster-diving" in industrial parks, as businesses upgrade to new Pentium machines and to software that requires a minimum of W95 and a 486/Pentium CPU.

> If it weren't for CW, I would never have become a ham. Couldn't have
afforded
> it.

Learn to scrounge better and upgrade your station to this century's level of technology ... you might even learn some things in the process (and that's the primary purpose of ham radio).

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2773. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129003800.TAA29570@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180371

>
>Rigley L. Case wrote:
>>
>> The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
>> the pike since compound interest.

Yrac observes:
Compound interest has been called "the eighth wonder of the world." It can make your money double in just a few years. At the same time, using a "banker's secret", you can keep it from working against you on your home mortgage. I regularly show folks how to save hundred's of thousands of $$$$ by making a simple change to the way they make their house payments.

(Just wanted to slip that in.....now back to the original topic).

Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
>Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
>than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
>not be used in real life.
>

Many decades ago, I was a freshman at a large university which had a great school in my target field, Radio, Television, and Motion Pictures. I was "chomping at the bit" to get into some of these special courses. I complained to the head of the department about being stuck in the general courses required of underclassmen.

His response was, "Son, I'm a lot older than you, and I have taken many courses of all kinds. And what I want to share from my experience is that NO course, not matter how non-revelant it seemed at the time, has been a waste. Somewhere, somehow, I have used each and every one to my advantage."

In the thirty-plus years since he told me that, I have seen how true it is. I agree that this is an age of specialization and that it's hard enough to keep up in any one field with everything changing so rapidly. Yet, it is sad if we go through life with blinders on and don't keep current on things we encounter in daily life.

Samples:
Cash Cards are making great headway in Europe, and are beginning to appear in this country. Are they right for you? How will you know if you don't keep up with their progress and potential?

Many telephone companies will give you the cheap evening rate at some point in the middle of the day--usually between Noon and 1 PM. The info is right at your fingertips. Do you know where to find it?*

There is a puddle of fluid under your car. It is red in color. Do you know the likely source?**

Where is Channel One on the television set? How could knowing this help you make a entertainment center purchasing decision?***

What does a triangle-shaped sign, turned on it's side, indicate?****

You are driving and come to Highway 75. Does it run generally east-west or north-south? How can you tell?*****

ANSWERS
* The front section of the telephone directory gives rate charts which might surprise you. It also tells you the laws in your state concerning recording conversations, etc.

**If you said "transmission fluid", you're probably right. But some newer cars uses a special coolant in the radiator and cooling system which is red in color.

***The 6-MHz that once was Ch. 1 was given to other radio services, back in the early days of television. The same thing happened with the upper UHF channels a few year ago. The precedent has been set for making major changes to TV service. Probably all analog sets will be obsolete in 15 years. Don't invest TOO much in the old technology.

****This sign, facing your lane of traffic, but on the left side of the road, indicates the end of a passing zone. Get back into the right hand lane quickly. This is a valuable tool for motorists who drive two-lane roads, especially at night.

*****North-South. You know because even numbered highways run east-west. Odd numbers are north-south.

Hope you enjoyed these. I keep remembering an old gentleman who was in a community college accounting course with me, years ago. One day, I spoke with him during a break, and was surprised to learn that he was in the import business and owned seven warehouses. I asked him why he was taking this beginning class in accounting. He replied it was so he would know if his accountant was cheating him! Maybe it DOES pay to know a little about a variety of subjects! By the way, Dr. Bellows, the correct spelling is "useful", not "usefull". Now, let's all get back to Channel 35......

2774. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: yodoc@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129003800.TAA18225@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180372

In article <6amaos$jca@bgtnsc01.worldnet.att.net>,
plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM (Charlie) writes:

>2.) Please note that anyone who has passed any Amateur Radio
>licensing test is a real ham.

Charlie:

Sooo...someone who has passed his 5 WPM code test, but no
other tests, is a "real ham?" In spite of the fact that he hasn't
yet qualified for a license?

(Just using no-coder "logic" and nit-picking; I'm sure you'll
recognize and appreciate it!)

73 de Larry, K3LT
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2775. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c4b$be498320$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180373
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

xxx@nb.net wrote in article <34CFA077.6CE8@nb.net>...

> Another misinformed guy wondering around in the dark!
>
> Walt.
> CW FOREVER!

Yes, Walt, it would appear that you are ... but why
announce it in your sig file? :-)

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2776. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c4c$d0bb14a0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180374
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows <abellows@idog.com> wrote in article <34CEDE42.4613@idog.com>...
> Rigley L. Case wrote:
> >
> > The "well-rounded education" argument is the biggest rip-off to come down
> > the pike since compound interest. It's just an excuse to get a few extra
> > bucks in tuition out of students who already up to their arses in student
> > loans.
> >
>
> Exactly!! Being an expert in one area that is USEFULL, is a lot better
> than being "well rounded" in a bunch of worthless information that can
> not be used in real life.

That is exactly why many engineering schools are dropping bullshit
"make-work" requirements like foreign languages, etc. that are not
relevant to the student's major ... there is so much to learn in
one's chosen field of endeavor these days (particularly in the
technical arenas, where so much dramatic change is taking place)
that it is unreasonable to burden students with such "breadth"
requirements just to rake in a few more semester hour's worth of
tuition.

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2777. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: yrac@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129004301.TAA19195@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180375

> the question I want answered has to do with content. Most of the
>"information" I find on the Web and on TV, cable, etc. is not worth the
>time. In our culture it is 'faster,faster,more,more.' Less is more.

Society is confusing "information" with knowledge and wisdom. They are not the same. Buckets of information can be useful, but information is not an end unto itself.

Yrac

2778. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129004601.TAA01178@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180376

In article <19980128230100.SAA02121@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>
If it weren't for CW, I would never have become a ham. Couldn't have
>afforded
it.

Really? I find it hard to believe that you wouldn't have been able to afford $5-10 for a garage-sale CB and convert it to 10 meters. This would have been a much more useful skill for you to have learned, as opposed to Morse code.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2779. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129004601.TAA19669@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180377

In article <6ao7l2ogb4@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
(Rigley L. Case) writes:

>*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *

FINALLY, someone gets it!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2780. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129004600.TAA01180@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180378

In article <6ao7o0ogb5@akron5.neo.lrun.com>, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com
(Rigley L. Case) writes:

>I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements. I just
>didn't
feel like waiting for a bunch of olde fahrtz to die off.

Can't happen fast enough as far as I'm concerned.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2781. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980129004600.TAA01188@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180379

In article <34CF724C.659A@nb.net>, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> writes:

>You people are missing the point...
If you don't like the requirements to
>obtain a
Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!

No. YOU'RE missing the point. If you wish to hold on to outdated and
irrelevant requirements, pick another mode of transmission. Attempting to keep
a "private club" on publicly-owned radio frequencies just doesn't cut it.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2782. Re: No Code

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c4f$c0dba2e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180380

Stephen Eagle <LkBlackburn@worldnet.att.net> wrote in article
<6ahhhb$bda@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>...
> You ever notice how folks with no balls, brains, or ambition sit around and
whine
> and mince excuses after excuses, expending in the process more effort and
> resources than if they had just got up and preformed. Reinstitute the one
year
> no-code requirement. Advance and upgrade or get the hell out of radio(real
radio)
> and go pick up another hobby more suited to your limited abilities. Write a
book
> on procrastination and get reasonably rich, rape a kid, whatever your
personal
> inclinations are, just do it.

Spoken like an amoral, no-brain, pro-code idiot ... you, sir, are a disgrace
to the ARS ...

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2783. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c4e$efd31020$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote in article
<34CD2394.3BFA@scan.missouri.org>...
> Gary Coffman wrote: >
> RC> > OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses
> Mouth.
> > >Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
> > >all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
> > >tapeworm can do it.
> >
> > I don't know that tapeworms could do it, but it is Pavlovian conditioning.
> > If you've ever attempted to condition a flatworm or dog, however, you
> > know it isn't easy. And the higher the intelligence of the subject, the
> > harder it becomes. Conditioning requires *unthinking* response.
>
>
> You're saying the dumber the dog, the easier he is to train.

Not exactly Dick ... if that were true, you'd be exceptionally trainable,
and that's clearly not the case ... there's a difference between
"conditioning"
and "training" ... Morse requires conditioning, training requires intelligence.

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2784. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2c50$9ee2a020$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180382
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Larry A. Warsinski <lwarsins@up.net> wrote in article
<6agmc0$dvu@btc3.up.net>...
> Michael P. Deignan wrote in message <6agbfg$5lq$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> >In article <34CB4B1F.2B7C@ibm.net>, W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net> wrote:
> >
> >>Why do you continue to make the mistake of using the
> >>totally inaccurate expression, "No-Code Agenda"?
> >
> >As the person who invented the phrase "No-Code Agenda" (if you don't
> >believe me, go look it up in the DejaNews archives), I believe it is
> >my right to also create its definition.

In other words, Mike believes that he's free to say anything, no matter
how distorted and outright dishonest it may be, in support of his side
of the debate.

> The problem with the phrase "No-Code Agenda" is that the term "agenda"
> implies a concerted, co-ordinated effort and a definite series of steps, a
> planned effort. Using it with the term "No-Code" asserts that the forces on
> the opposite side of the issue from you have conspired together to define a
> planned attack to remove all use of code from the amateur bands.
>
> While you might believe that you see such a conspiracy, the mere opposition
> to the code test does not constitute such.
>
> Your right to define phrases is somewhat limited to the normal meaning of
> the words involved.

Mike has no problem with bending, stretching, or even breaking the truth
when it suits his purpose ... I am sure he will take exception with your
suggestion that "(his) right to define phrases is somewhat limited to the
normal meaning of the words involved," since that would tend to force him
to constrain his comments to accurate (even truthful) descriptions of
people, events, and (alleged) "motives."

That is to much to expect of Mike, based on experience with him here in the
newsgroups ...

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2785. Re: Mod for ADI AT600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Scott KE4VGN <rlscott@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <TpRz.2056$mL4.1783184@news1.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180383

MOD FOUND Thanks so much. 73 KE4VGN...

2786. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: karnold@jps.net
Message-ID: <34cfefac.1628458@news.jps.net>
Source record: 180384
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Wed, 28 Jan 1998 01:22:58 -0600, "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idog.com>
wrote:

>Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
>things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
>Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
>classes yet!!)
>
=======>
No imagination, huh?

ï¿½ï¿½ï¿½ - Keith - 182L/STOL N3431R - Chino, California
N33ï¿½ 58' 46" W117ï¿½ 38' 41"

2787. FS/SWAP for Tube Tester Telectro Tube Reel to Reel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-29 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6aoql0$74g$4@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180385

TELECTRO STEREO TUBE POWERED REEL TO REEL

Apparently has dual separate internal amps. Each amp has
an "On"

Plays and rewinds however it has one problem. The right
amplifier does not work. I don't wish to waste the time to
take it apart and check the tubes.

The interior is fair to good. The case is okay, but has
pitting/mild rust on the chrome part from sitting in a humid
musty cellar at some point during its life. The stereo spkr
grilles on either side of the unit are fine. They might be
aluminum or some other non-ferrous metal.

If you want a quality inexpensive reel to reel tube portable
if you are a bit handy--this is it.

Have photos to email if you're interested. $35 "AS IS" plus Shipping.

2788. musta stepped on some toes..... good!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <6au9qv$8fj$1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 179987

I'm not yet a "vet" of this NG. Only been "readin' the acid" for about a month now. But I AM impressed!
I see two forces here... obviously code vs. no-code. The proponents of each group range from those who proffer an opinion and listen for value in the response --- to those who would simply prefer to shoot all who disagree. At times it is almost comical.... the human version of the two rams locked in head-butting combat.
You men can't tell me that you believe you can change another's opinion through your arguments, logic or words. Hell, I not even sure you *want* to change anyone. For if you did, whom would you rail against? So, even though you defend your position with the greatest show of passion, the motives of some of you are greatly suspect.
I have seen no NG written evidence (postings) of a conspiracy to eliminate or ban code. The no-code efforts I have observed have been aimed at a no-code test. If that is what you believe, then go for it. But I for one find little kinship with anyone (on *either* side of the code fence) who feels it is their duty to belittle, flame, heckle, curse, defame, etc..... all in the name of defending their position. One of the great ironies of history is that the Christians killed millions of people during the Cruades..... all in the name of God. Perhaps this is just as worthy a cause.
There have been MANY good ideas posted to this newsgroup. I have seen sincere requests for help go virtually unanswered. But let one of the Big 12 posters hiccup and the thread spans a full two pages.
I came to this NG looking for ideas and views.... not necessarily confirmation of my own opinions. And I found both: those I agree with and those I don't. But I also found the NG to be a haven for discord, intolerance and hate. Hey... its pretty obvious that *nothing* will ever change VSE's mind... or CBRambo's.... or MD's.... or RCA's.... or those of many others for that matter! And there is actually nothing wrong with that -- that is their right. But each of the combatants on this NG must feel that the salvation/conversion of 'the other side' is their personal mission in life. As for me... I'm kinda ashamed of how you guys act sometimes. I just hope the younger hams don't tune into this NG and think this is the way you're supposed to act when you get licensed or when you grow up. Maybe someone can delineate the difference between "road rage" and "NG rage".
Having been licensed for thirty years I have found that my interest in ham radio has declined steadily over the years.... just as the level of respect, willingness to help and camaraderie have declined. Unfortunately, it looks like this is the electronic trend, also.

2789. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34d136e2.2599211@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 179988
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 13:51:29 -0600, kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:

>I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
>not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
>learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
>designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
>the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
>know before I really mess something up.
>
>73,
>John
>
>----------------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------------------
> http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

There is absolutely nothing wrong with learning code and passing a
code test at 5 wpm. Most of my initial contacts were with novices at
5 wpm. We all need a starting point. Who knows what your code speed
will be in 6 months/one year. It is more inportant that you have a
good relationship with cw than what speed you start out with.

Larry ve3fxq

2790. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34d1386f.2995513@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 179989

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 10:42:20 -0600, "Gary R. Hoffman"
<gary@carcs3.wustl.edu> wrote:

>Yes, this is the same question that gets posted every few weeks.
>This time, however, I am going to take the replies and put
>them on a special page at my Web site. (I am collecting ham
>folklore.)
>
>So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
>If you can include your source it would be helpful. All stories
>and their variants (except the patently ridiculous ones) will
>be greatly appreciated.
>
>Gary
>KB0QGE
>gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

If you plan to put these stories on your website would you consider
letting us know your website address, so if we like the stories with
can link to them?
Larry

2791. Re: Goodby

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: lar01@sprynet.com
Message-ID: <34d138f2.3127270@news.sprynet.com>
Source record: 179990

On 29 Jan 1998 15:15:35 GMT, cmjk2og@aol.com (Cmjk2og) wrote:

>This will be my last check of this newsgroup. I'll just have to sacrifice the
>1 percent of intelligent messages that appear on this board. Please don't cry
>for me. I'll survive.
>
>
Ya know, often times I feel the same way and then, a few days later, I
read a message that uplifts my faith in the system.
Don't quit.
Larry ve3fxq

2792. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: wcovexip@NO_SPAMMptialaska.net
Message-ID: <6atf9ekdo1@news.ptialaska.net>
Source record: 179991
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

In article <34D181FF.17C7@nb.net>
DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> writes:

> I hate to burst your bubble little Boy, but the majority of
> NTS traffic is handeled via CW!

I hate to burst your bubble, but just when did NTS Traffic get
classified
as Emergency Communications. Read the Headed, and what the gentleman
wrote,
then, consider just how does your piece of trivial information fits
into this discussion? Bruce

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**** Have bandwidth and connection Will communicate ****

2793. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: konstans@geocities.com
Message-ID: <34d26718.67819254@news.concentric.net>
Source record: 179992
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 1 Feb 1998 21:36:14 GMT, rlcSPAM@SPAM.neo.lrun.com (Rigley L. Case)
wrote:

>cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) says,
>
>>I for one would be willing to put my money where my mouth is and contribute
>to
>>such a legal "war chest" to bring the Morse issue before the courts. Anyone
>>else game?
>>
>>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
>> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
>I don't know if this would work or not. I would think that the courts would
>side with the FCC in the fact that they have a right to determine what
>qualifications must be met before issuing a license. As long as those
>qualifications don't violate the constitution or other federal law, they
>can set whatever standards they want.

The basis for legeal would roughly the fact that 1) part 97
deos not say one of the purposes of ARS is to preserve Code. 2) since
skill at learning code is different for different people, an ADA
augement can be advanced against any code speed highly than the base
code level (5wpm) since that is allegeitly there for treaty
requirement. The acceptance of 5 WPM as meeting the traety rules
wouyld it make very hard to rasie that limit. These Facts added to
the fact these are Public Airwaves would give such an action a fiar to
good chance of suceeding against the higher code speeds
>
>When you think about it in this way, the FCC could set a code requirement at
>100 wpm and no one would pass it. This would give them an excuse to auction
>off spectrum to the highest bidder.
>
>**
>*Remove the "SPAM" from both sides of the @ for my e-mail address*
>**
>*A callsign is only needed on the air, not on USENET. *
>**
>*For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
>*http://www.garynorth.com for a worst-case scenario *
>**
>

2794. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: konstans@geocities.com
Message-ID: <34d26597.67434319@news.concentric.net>
Source record: 179993
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

At the risk of putting words in someones mouth, Ill venture to
suggest that he would (certainly would) use hand morse or voice,
I'd either let my Computer send morse which I will bet would beat rate
your even if I rely on a noncomputer equiped station to receive, or
use data based modes (not a user of HF I don't know which one right
off.

On Sun, 01 Feb 1998 08:30:27 -0600, Curtis M LaFon <n5hdq@wf.quik.com>
wrote:

>Dwight I would bet you that someone such as Hans and myself, at 20 WPM, can
>pass
>record traffic faster than you and whoever is the next staunchest anti coder
>after yourself
>can with you two using voice on a HF circuit.
>
>You not being a traffic handler I will explain what record traffic is .. you
>have to record
>everything sent verbatim with exact spelling.
>
>While you two are busy sending phonetics to get the spelling right and
>repeating yourselves Hans and I would be rocking and rolling right along.
>
>Curtis .. N5HDQ .. http://wf.quik.com/n5hdq

>
>Dwight Stewart wrote:
>
>> > mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) wrote...
>> >
>> > <snip> It just so happens that there are more of these considerate,
>> > respectful types on CW.
>>
>> REPLY...
>>
>> With CW, its pretty hard not to be. It is rather difficult to carry
>> on a heated debate using the incredibly slow CW mode. Instead, you're
>> left with short conversations, with little real exchange of information.
>>
>> With voice, I can communicate in 5 minutes what would take you a
>> couple of hours to communicate with CW (20wpm? I can say 20 words in
>> five seconds). Not only that, but I can better communicate the meaning
>> of my words with the tone of my voice (a raised voice for anger, a low
>> voice for sadness, etc.). Those concepts are very difficult to

>> communicate with CW.
>>
>> Using voice is the most natural means of conversation. It is what we
>> humans do. We stopped banging on rocks as a means of communications
>> thousands of years ago, shortly after we learned to use our voice.
>> Perhaps amateur radio will eventually advance far enough for operators
>> to stop banging on a "key" as a means of communications.
>>
>> In the meantime, at least we can drop the morse code test so that the
>> other operators, who have advanced beyond banging on rocks, can fully
>> enjoy the entire amateur radio service.
>>
>> Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)
>
>
>

2795. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34D27F4D.381D@icss.net>
Source record: 179994
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> > Rigley L. Case wrote:
> >
> > >
> > > I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements.
> >
> > There are always some who hate the requirements *whatever* they
> > are....it will still be so when code is long gone.. GIMME, GIMME, GIMME
>
> Yup, I have already heard if from a few. They argue that with today's modern
> HF rigs there is no longer a need for theory because, other than setting a
> power level, they do not have to "tune" the transmitter.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

So who are the owners of the no-tune Alpha amplifiers, broken down by
license class?
Brian/N0iMD

2796. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34D2898A.6716@icss.net>
Source record: 179995
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34d0d313.625286840@news.atl.bellsouth.net>,
> Gary Coffman <ke4zv@bellsouth.net> wrote:
>
> >Yeah, but Generals (and all others above Tech) just started expiring for
> >the first time since 1984 in 1996. That's because the 10 year licenses
> >started in 1984 and the FCC doesn't purge a station from the database
> >until after the 2 year grace period. So we've gone a *long* time without
> >purging the higher class license rolls.
>
> Very true. This is one reason I suspect we will start to see a decline
> in the number of licensed amateurs in the US. I also do not think that
> the decline is necessarily a bad thing, given our numbers have been
> artifically inflated for the past decade.
>
> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.
> --
> -- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

How have they been "artifically (sic) inflated for the past decade?"
Don't you trust government figures?
Brian/N0iMD

2797. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D1EB41.E30E4F77@flash.net>
Source record: 180037
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> CW:
>
> Also some say you can communicate who doesn't know English (or simply
> between different languages) very well. This is a false statement.
> You may be able to make "QSL" (just exchanging the call signs and
> that's it) but whatelse you can do if she doesn't know "any" English
> and you have no idea about her language ?? CW will not eliminate
> language barrier. If you have no idea what " J'ai 18 ans. " (if
> someone transmits in CW) means, you are deadend !!
>

Cutie Boy, before you go spouting off about language and CW I'd like to know just how many CW contacts you have made yourself? You seem to want to share a lot of information about CW, I'm wondering if you have any credentials? I've had lots of good RC's, do you know what that means Masa? Probably not. I'd bother to explain to you just how we pulled off some really nice QSO's on CW with two different languages being spoken but I'm sure you wouldn't have a clue what I was talking about.

> Some additional comments about CW:
>
> - Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)

Speed was never an issue, RTTY was much faster than CW and that was 50 years or more ago. Yet they continued using CW long after RTTY was developed, why?

> - Obselete, Outdated

Old, not obsolete.

> - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation

Again, how many CW contacts have you made Masa?

> - Not many people in the world know it.

Wrong again dickbrain, tune in CQ WW CW and LISTEN instead of professing what you don't know about CW.

Tim, ka8ddz

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2798. FS: Wilcox-Gay Recordio #3F.10 Reel to Reel tube portable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6aspgummu9@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180038

WILCOX-GAY RECORDIO (Recordio not a spelling mistake) MODEL 3F.10
Reel to Reel Mono TUBE PORTABLE. Full-sized very old (early
1950's??) portable that handles 7 inch reels. Has the 1950's
styling.

Made by Wilcox-Gay of Charlotte, Mich./Brooklyn, New York.

The unit is in fair condition and would be better if given some
TLC. The leather handle is missing, but metal cabinet mounts are
still there. The plug-in power cord is missing, so I am totally
unable to test it. The unit is sold "as is." $25 or b/o plus
shipping. Pack it free.

2799. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D1F234.A10@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180039
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Rigley L. Case wrote:
> Take the 13 wpm test. When you pass it and get your ticket, take a sledge
> hammer and smash your Bencher keyer paddles in front of the the most
> die-hard code advocate you know. This ought to show them what you think
> of their antiquated hazing ritual.

You poor devil, if that's all it takes to "haze" you , your psyche must
be in terrible shape.

2800. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <886175744.1964572677@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180040

Robert A Herschbach wrote:

> Can a foreigner apply for a ham license here in the U.S?

--Yes.

> If so, are there any unusual procedures?

--No. Only needs to have a US mailing address.

> Or does she have to apply for a license given by her home country?

--No.

Good luck to your friend.

73, de Hans, K0HB

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2801. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <886175926.1966145539@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180041

Masa wrote:

> Once someone gets the US license, she cannot use her reciprocal
> license in the US...

So?

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2802. HAM RADIO NEWS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Daniel Hicks, Jr." <dan@kb8uyz.com>
Message-ID: <34d212ef.0@news7.kcdata.com>
Source record: 180042

January 30, 1998

For ham radio news and information, as well as links, downloads, and more,
visit the KB8UYZ Amateur Radio Page at http://kb8uyz.com.

We welcome your comments and suggestions, as well as additions to the site,
such as links and news.

73's
Dan KB8UYZ
dan@kb8uyz.com

2803. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d1f83c.1124963@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180043
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 22:29:33 -0000, "Reg Edwards" <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com>
wrote:
>Gary,
>
>I think you are a victim of your own Yankee propaganda.

And I think you don't read very well.

>You are one of the people who think the Japanese never invented
>anything but are very good copiers.

I am well aware of Japanese inventive prowess, and more pertinently
to this topic, I am well aware of Japanese technical manufacturing
prowess. What does that have to do with the poor technical infrastructure
of the economic components of the former Soviet Union?

>Wake up to the obvious facts. Obvious to the rest of the world if
>not to you.

What "obvious facts" are those? Are they that the Soviet Union
self-destructed because its economy couldn't bear up under the
demands of a technological world?

>Have a good look under the bed. Any Reds?

More mindless drivel.

>Who was the first man in space?

Yuri Gargarin of course. Now what does that have to do with the
poor technical infrastructure of the former Soviet Union? Did the
average Soviet soldier have access to the technology used in the
Soviet space program? No he did not. It was basically handcrafted
specifically for the space race.

It was not widely deployed enough to equip even front line Soviet troops
with modern communications, much less the reserve formations. Thus
it is unsurprising that they still use primitve methods. Their technical
infrastructure isn't up to mass producing the better technologies. And
that's because they've operated with what amounts to a third world
economy.

>- and all the tens of thousands of other instances.

Indeed, Reg. Just what is the Russian wafer fab capacity?
How many VLSI chips do they produce per annum? And
at what cost each? And why is there a big Hewlett Packard

banner prominently displayed in Russian mission control?

As Bill Clinton proclaimed in the last election, "It is the economy, stupid!" We have a robust advanced technical infrastructure because we have a robust economy to drive it. The ex-Soviets don't because their economy has operated at third world levels.

During the Apollo-Soyuz rendezvous mission, the cosmonauts were astonished to see the handheld scientific calculator our astronauts carried as backup for the navigation computer. They had nothing like it. But they were much more astonished when they were told that anyone could walk into a store in America and buy one off the shelf. That was unbelieveable to someone familiar with the Soviet economy.

It isn't a matter that the Soviets couldn't design such a device, it is that they didn't have the productive capacity to mass produce it so that it could be widely deployed. And that's necessary to equip an army, or a population, with advanced technology.

What is it about that you can't comprehend?

Gary

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>----------
>Gary Coffman wrote in message
><34d0bed8.620107428@news.atl.bellsouth.net>...
>>On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 11:48:50 -0700, Will White
><will.white@asu.edu> wrote:
>>>Gary Coffman wrote:
>>>
>>>> All amateur bands but one permit CW (OOK Morse) operation.
>>>> 160m isn't partitioned (formally) into separate voice and
>data
>>>> segments as most other HF bands are. Any mode can be used
>>>> on any part of 160m. (There are voluntary bandplans in use,
>>>> however.) So it is very likely that what you heard was
>amateur
>>>> operation since the amateur service is practically alone in
>>>> still using OOK Morse. Virtually all other services have
>>>> abandoned it, or are rapidly phasing it out of regular use.
>>>
>>>I saw some video on PBS recently (last month), can't say what
>show, of
>>>Russian military training communications ppl in Morse, using
>straight
>>>keys! What band *doesn't* permit CW operation?
>>
>>I'm not surprised. Russia is a third world economy which
>attempted
>>to field a first world military. But aside from the trappings of

>nuclear
>>weapons and missiles, it never succeeded. Much of its
>infrastructure
>>is still primitive. They even still make vacuum tubes over
>there. But
>>they do know better. Some of the best data algorithms have come
>>from Russians. They just don't yet have the microelectronics
>>infrastructure to field them properly on the necessary scale. We
>>don't have that excuse.
>>
>>The 219 MHz amateur band is restricted to point to point data
>emissions
>>only.
>>
>>Gary
>>Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
>>534 Shannon Way | We break it |
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2804. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dick sander <sander@aud.alcatel.com>
Message-ID: <34D207C6.41C67EA6@aud.alcatel.com>
Source record: 180044
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Gary Coffman wrote:
>

> Much better techniques exist, and are in everyday use by amateurs
> and non-amateurs. Clover 2000 is an example of the latter. It has
> displaced much of the HF maritime CW communications traffic
> which hasn't moved to satellite. It is small enough, simple enough,
> and cheap enough that any HF radio equipped vessel can afford to
> use it. That a few third world flagged vessels still don't is testimony
> to their backwardness, not to their perspicacity.
>
> CW will probably be around for years to come in a hobbyist role,
> for those who do not wish to do better, but its days as a mission
> critical communications method are rapidly drawing to a close
> precisely because it *isn't* the mode that gets through when
> nothing else will.

Gary as all your posts reveal, you're definitely pro digital
communications.
As a ham that has never used anything but
an old homebrew ST-5 and model 15 on RTTY in the 70s, I have
a couple of questions:

Please discuss digital modes from a "pileup" standpoint, not from a
single point-to-point contact in deep space wheareas SNR is the only
critera.

From a practical point of view, If I'm in a "real" 20m DX pileup with
the big guns (all using a 21st century digital mode) will the digital
modes be any better to work the DX station; ie, will they "capture" like
FM? Does the DX station have to be exactly on freq to lock in? How does
all the digital stuff keep from colliding in the pileup and going
bananas?
Is digital only good for one-on-one contacts without 200 stations trying
to make contact?

Thanks, Dick -K5QY

2805. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d20706.4911189@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 18:57:10 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
wrote:
>orion@xyznycap.rr.com wrote:
>
>>>CW...it will NEVER die.
>> >Walt.
>>
>> Yeah, right. If it's so efficient, why is it being phased out all over
>> the world except in the ARS?
>>
>
>ANSWER: $$$$$$$$$$$$$$$

Indeed, that's exactly right. The economic consequences of poor
communications can be very high. And the military and life safety
consequences of poor communications can be very grave as well.
That's why OOK Morse is being phased out around the world. It
doesn't have the capacity, availability, or reliability to keep up with
the information demands of a modern battlefield or modern commerce
or modern traffic flows and volumes.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2806. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc5egg@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6at2o8$sm5@sjx-ixn4.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180046
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

In <34d1f83c.1124963@news.atl.bellsouth.net> ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman) writes:
>
>On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 22:29:33 -0000, "Reg Edwards" <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com>
>wrote:
>>Gary,
>>
>>I think you are a victim of your own Yankee propaganda.
>
>And I think you don't read very well.
>
>>You are one of the people who think the Japanese never invented
>>anything but are very good copiers.
>
>I am well aware of Japanese inventive prowess, and more pertinently
>to this topic, I am well aware of Japanese technical manufacturing
>prowess. What does that have to do with the poor technical infrastructure
>of the economic components of the former Soviet Union?
>
>>Wake up to the obvious facts. Obvious to the rest of the world if
>>not to you.
>
>What "obvious facts" are those? Are they that the Soviet Union
>self-destructed because its economy couldn't bear up under the
>demands of a technological world?
>
>>Have a good look under the bed. Any Reds?
>
>More mindless drivel.
>
>>Who was the first man in space?
>
>Yuri Gargarin of course. Now what does that have to do with the
>poor technical infrastructure of the former Soviet Union? Did the
>average Soviet soldier have access to the technology used in the
>Soviet space program? No he did not. It was basically handcrafted
>specifically for the space race.
>

As a side note poor Yuri is now buried in the Kremlin wall after succuming to the wonderful Russian medical system. He died while

undergoing a hemroid operation. First in space only to be killed by a third world infrastructure.

Jerry

2807. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D21399.53787C2A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Howard and Kelly Lute wrote:
>
> Common culture must be taght in order to insure a common morality, therefore all
> the "useless" English, Art, History etc. classes. It's insurance.
> friend,
> Lute

Howard & Kelly,

If it were only so. This is not the place for this but we all know the sitting pres B. Clinton is well educated even a Rouge S--------, (don't remember how to spell that second word and the first is not right either, but Bill would think so. I understand what you mean but in todays world there is little diference in morality found in the educated vs the uneducated.

Regards,

Ed
d

2808. 9M0C

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <886182690.89456653@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

CDXC
(Chiltern DX Club)
The UK DX Foundation
Spratly Islands 1998
12-24 February 1998

This will probably be the last Press Release before our operation. Everything is still on schedule, and much of our equipment has already reached the island to await our arrival. We look forward to working everyone from 9M0C. We want to extend particular thanks to intrepid adventurers 9M6MN, 9M6HJ, 9M6II and 9M6SU who recently endured high seas and bad storms to make the sea journey to Layang-Layang with our heavy equipment. While on the island they achieved what we believe to be a "first", by setting up some 2m equipment and working through the 9M6RGK repeater on Sabah to make QSOs with 9M6JY & 9M6BZ. As far as we know, this is probably the first time that VHF QSOs have taken place between Spratly and another DXCC country. Note that for the propagation predictions to be readable, you need to view this document in a non-proportional font. Please let me know if you need copies of either of the previous two press releases.

Operators Unfortunately Aki VK2BEX has had to withdraw from the operation, but we are pleased to say that his place has been taken by not one but three new operators:

John Krzymuski N2QW (ex-AB2EC). John is an experienced contest and DX operator who until his recent transfer to New York was active as G4DQW. John is a British citizen and has participated in numerous team efforts both domestically and overseas. John works in the USA as a Product Manager in a division of a global telecommunications co-operative.

Jeff Morris 9H1EL. Jeff is a holder of several European CQWW/WPX contest records on SSB and CW, and is also active in RTTY contests. He won BARTG RTTY spring contest last year, for example. Jeff is a retired Electronics/Systems Engineer working in the oil industry on positioning of Drillships by computer.

Kazuo Ogasawara JA1RJU. Kazuo is a Japanese national and an experienced operator who was most recently involved in the last BS7H DXpedition.

This takes our final team to 13, as follows:

Leader - Neville G3NUG
Deputy leaders - Don G3OZF & John G3WGV
Others - Ray G3NOM/9M2OM, Mike G3SED, Don G3XTT, Steve G4JVG, Tony G0OPB,

Kazuo JA1RJU, Vince K5VT, John N2QW, Jeff 9H1EL, Donald 9M6SU.

Shipping/Logistics The nine cases shipped from the UK were successfully landed on Pulau Layang-Layang by a fishing trawler on 21 January (see above). All the Yaesu equipment is now in Kota Kinabalu - we will take this with us on our flights to the island on 8 and 10 February. A final air-shipment comprising mainly the hand-helds and TNCs for the newly developed DXpedition cluster leaves the UK during w/c 26 January. The Battle Creek will arrive in KK in the next day or so. Everything has gone to plan so far..... John G3WGV has also compiled an extensive Operating Manual which will be the basis for our activities on the island. It covers everything from shipping lists and antenna layouts, to pile-up handling. In compiling it, we have taken a lot of good material from the VK0IR operating handbook, as that expedition did a lot to set standards for others to follow.

Pilot Stations
As we said in the last set of information, three pilot stations have been appointed. These are:

Europe: Martin G3ZAY (spratly@dial.pipex.com)
North America: Don N1DG (n1dg@aurumtel.com)
Japan: Yoichi JP1NWZ (jp1nwz@cqpub.co.jp)

Their role will be to channel communications to and from the team on the island (which will be equipped with a satellite telephone, as there have been some problems recently with incoming telephone calls to the Layang-Layang resort). Typically, they will receive comments about band openings, the suitability of the announced frequencies, brickbats and bouquets from the amateur community at large, and will summarise the key messages to forward to the island. This is to avoid information overload on the expeditioners, and yet ensure that we have a good idea of what we are doing right and what we are doing wrong. We will also be able to pass information out to the pilots and Martin, G3ZAY, as Chief Pilot, will have the job of keeping our Web site (http://members.aol.com/spratly98) updated. Hopefully, this will also include photographs (we are taking a digital camera).

Log checking via the Web
We plan to upload logs to the Web on a daily basis. This will not include full QSO information, but will allow you to check that your QSOs were OK. The service will be organised for us by Don N1DG (ex-WB2DND) who did the same for the Heard Island expedition, and by Richard, G4ZFE who has also run servers for DXpeditions. To check the logs, you need to go to the DXpedition home page at http://members.aol.com/spratly98 and select one of the two "am I in the log" servers. Generally you should select the one that is nearest to you. There are servers in the UK and in USA. Once at the server screen, simply type in your callsign and a list of QSOs will appear.

News on Sponsors
We are delighted that there are several new sponsors since our last press

release. The list as of 28th January is as follows:

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AEA Timewave
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Central Arizona DX Association
Clipperton DX Club (France)
Dateline DX Association
EuDXF (Germany)
German DX Foundation
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G3OFW
G3PMR
GW4VEQ
JH1AJT
NI6T
VK5WO
XE1CI

And, of course, the Layang-Layang team members themselves who are all making significant contributions to the overall cost of the operation.

We also want to thank the following off-site team members for undertaking a range of duties, missing out on the glory but taking on the chores! BRS32525 Bob - SWL QSL Manager G3SWH Phil - QSL Manager G3ZAY Martin - Chief Pilot, EU Pilot and Web Master G4PDQ John - EU PacketCluster Server G4ZFE Richard - EU QSO Server JP1NWZ Yoichi - JA Pilot N1DG Don - NA Pilot and NA QSO Server

Given the higher-than-anticipated shipping costs, we are continuing to seek funding. Contributions may be sent to G3WGV (g3wgv@aol.com), JP1NWZ (jp1nwz@cqpub.co.jp) or K5VT (vince@getnet.com). G3WGV's mailing address is Canberra Lodge, Heath Ride, Finchampstead, RG11 3QJ, England.

QSLing policy
Much of the design work for the QSL card is complete, and we hope to get cards out soon after the operation is over. All QSL requests go to G3SWH. As we have said before, the expedition will respond 100% to QSLs received, both direct and via bureau. E-mail QSL requests may also be sent to phil@g3swh.demon.co.uk (give full QSO details please). Phil's mailing address is Phil Whitchurch, 21 Dickensons Grove, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5HQ, United Kingdom.

The Expedition plans to adopt the following policy with regard to direct QSLs, and encourages all direct QSLers to adhere as closely as possible to speed things up:

a) A self addressed envelope (SAE) should be provided. b) Applications from EU and non EU countries should enclose at least one IRC. c) Applications from non European countries should enclose at least $1 or two IRC's. d) Cards for applicants not enclosing an SAE and adequate reply paid postage will be answered by surface mail or via the bureau as appropriate

Awards
Amateurs chasing the RSGB Supreme Commonwealth Award might like to note that this requires at least one contact with every Commonwealth call area. This includes Spratly under the 9M prefix, as this is a separate call area to 9M6.

And the latest Press Release from ARRL, regarding the revised rules for DXCC, included the following:

"The Spratly Islands, due to the nature of conflicting claims, and without recognising or refuting any claim, is recognised as a Special Entity. Operations from this area will be accepted with the necessary permissions issued by the occupying Entity. Operations without such permissions, such as with a self-assigned (e.g. 1S) callsign, will not be recognised for DXCC credit."

This emphasises the importance of obtaining operating permission from the relevant authority, in our case the Malaysian licensing authority.

After it's over.. Once we are home again, I will be sending out some further information to those on my mailing list, and we will be writing articles for the major ham radio publications including the Japanese CQ

Magazine, the German Funk Amateur and, of course, RSGB's RadCom. We are also scheduled to present at the Visalia Convention, the RSGB Convention in October, and no doubt at many other venues too including, we hope, Dayton. Nevada Publications of the UK have also commissioned us to write the book of the expedition. Guess we're going to be busy for some months yet!

See you from Spratly!

73 Don G3XTT, NK1G
g3xtt@lineone.net
29th January 1998

Propagation Predictions
UTC 00-03 03-06 06-09 09-12 12-15 15-18 18-21 21-24

28 WNA VK EU(E) E/A Am/LP SA - -
VK E/A AF

24 WNA VK EU(E) SA/LP Am/LP Am - -
Pac Pac E/A E/A E/A

21 WNA EU(E) EU(E) SA/LP SA/LP NA AF VK
SA Pac Pac E/A E/A SA
Pac Pac VK E/A

18 SA EU(E) EU(E) SA/LP ENA Am WNA ENA/LP
Pac Pac Pac E/A SA/LP E/A VK VK
Pac E/A

14 SA JA Pac SA/LP ENA NA Am SA
AF EU E/A E/A E/A E/A
JA Pac Pac VK Pac

10 E/A - JA NA NA WNA SA SA
SA/LP Eu E/A E/A E/A
Pac Pac Pac Pac Pac

7 - - - ENA NA WNA SA SA
Pac EU(E) E/A E/A E/A
Pac Pac Pac Pac

3.5 - - - ENA WNA E/A E/A SA
Pac EU(E) Pac Pac E/A
Pac

1.8 - - - ENA WNA EU(E) E/A JA
Pac Pac Pac Pac E/A

Key:
ENA Eastern North America WNA Western North America
NA North America (east AND west) SA South America
Am Americas (ENA, WNA and SA) EU Europe (all)
EU(E) Europe (Eastern only) AF Africa

E/A All of Europe AND Africa VK Australia
JA Japan Pac Pacific rim (VK and JA)
LP Long Path

APPROX SUNSET / SUNRISE TIMES (for mid February)
QTH SS SR (UTC)
9M0C 1030 2245
W2 2215 1200
W6 0145 1500
G 1700 0730
UA3 1400 0500

The following has been provided by Bill, W4ZV, specifically in respect of
our low band operations:

Short path bearings Sunrise (16 Feb) Sunset LP overlap
(@ 9M0C sunrise)
Magnetic North 8
Halifax VE1 358 1114 2143 58 min
Boston W1 5 1140 2217 24 min
New York W2 8 1148 2232 9 min
Atlanta W4 22 1221 2322 nil
Chicago W9 20 1245 2324
Dallas W5 34 1310 0013
Denver W0 34 1351 0037
Los Angeles W6 40 1437 0137
Seattle W7 32 1514 0133
>From the above, you can see the following general points:

1. Short path propagation to the Northeast USA after 9M0C sunset
will be very difficult due to the path's proximity to Magnetic North,
however there is some darkness overlap with VE1/W1/W2 before 9M0C
sunrise which will permit skewed and/or long path modes at this time.

2. The remainder of NA will only have a path after 9M0C sunset and
before US sunrise (from 1035 until US local sunrise). We expect that
stations in the Western half of NA will experience some very good
openings at their sunrise. Those of us in Eastern NA will have much
less probability of openings but nothing is impossible on 160!

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2809. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "James W. Kelley" <JWKELLEY@UCI.EDU>
Message-ID: <34D1E347.4E9@UCI.EDU>
Source record: 180049
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

DoD COMM wrote:

> I hate to burst your bubble little Boy, but the majority of
> NTS traffic is handeled via CW!
>
> Walt.

Hi Walt,

While it may be true that much of the intra-continental US traffic is handled via CW at some point, each of those messages is passed a few times; at least once to the CW op, then from CW op to CW op, and then perhaps from CW op to a local net. But your comment ignores a lot of people - the people who originate and deliver each of those messages, most of whom (in metropolitan areas) are probably not CW ops.

Almost all of the local nets are voice or packet, and although each of the messages may have been relayed via CW at one point, it is usually passed to and from those ops via a local voice net or packet.

Out here, and in other areas near the families of military personell, a fair percentage of the traffic is passed through MARS. As we know, MARS uses primarily RTTY (I think CW is kind of a no-no for them.)

Given that each message is handled multiple times, only one of which would usually be via CW, your statement is at best only partially true.

The NTS is a fantastic service. I have met some of the nicest people on those nets. There are an amazing number of hard working and dedicated people on them. I'm always amazed by their tenacity - how they're always there, just like clockwork. You can rely on them. I think working with the traffic nets is some of the best experience you can have as a ham operator. I encourage everyone to get involved with the NTS at some point in their ham career and lend a hand. Those folks really deserve more of our support.

73, Jim AC6XG

2810. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D21B4C.372D29A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180050
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> Rigley L. Case wrote:
> >
> > DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> says,
> >
> > >You people are missing the point...
> > >If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
> > >Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!
> > >
> > >Walt.
> > >CW FOREVER!
> >
> > I already passed mine, and I *still* hate the requirements.
>
> There are always some who hate the requirements *whatever* they
> are....it will still be so when code is long gone.. GIMME, GIMME, GIMME

Dick, this somehow suggested to my inner self that you would have
forgone CW testing also if it were not required when you took your tests
for admission to the HF bands. Tell me it isn't so.

Ed
d

2811. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D21A03.FCAFBA95@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180051
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > It would sure suck to have
> > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > to talk letter by letter in code!!
>
> How Big of you to have just insulted the thousands of people who have to
> use tty on the phone to communicate. But I guess we should not have expected
> you to know that with your tunnel vision education.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

My My My Mr Johnson,

Another victim rears his "Politically Coerced" head wailing at the injustices of the world. Please read his post again Sir. He first of all was making a point ref OOK and no more, in which you chose to instill ref to a select group of handicaped which has been helped via electronics. Shame on you. In making such ref, he said it would Suck to have to use that method. I take it you don't agree. Maybe you could ask your handicaped friends, I'm sure they are glad to have a method but would most likley suggest it Sucks to have to use it.

As for tunnel vision, you and those like you define tunnel vision.

Lighten Up,

Ed
d

2812. Re: Best non-Japanese tube HF transceiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8ak@online.no
Message-ID: <34d2194a.11501459@news.sol.no>
Source record: 180052

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 11:40:27 GMT, hoff@america.com (Conrad Hoffman)
wrote:

>Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no> wrote:
>
>>Following a discussion with a friend about what was the best "classic"
>>tube transceiver ever made of non Japanese origin, we did not agree.
>>Anyone got a view on the subject?
>>Regards
>>Olav Tveiten, Norway
>
>It's hard to beat the good old Collins KWM-2
>
>
>---------
>Conrad W8MHH hoff@america.com
>
it's hard to beat Collins "mechanical-wise", but when operational
performance counts, I vote for Drake, I still have two 2-B's and an
R-4C
Only R.L.Drake seem to understand the importance of AGC, and without
this no product is worth using, but it seems easy to modify Collins
equipment.....

..and the worst transceiver I had is the japanese Trio TS-500, still
AGC was very easy to improve

Jan-Martin N&#65533;ding -
email: LA8AK@online.no

2813. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6at5vi$68h$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180053

In article <19980130105101.FAA08816@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote:

>In fact, I think I'm gonna start
>doing that, and I don't mind taking the time to explain what it means.

Been doing it for years. During phone operation, I call "CQ Non-Contest
Stations Only". On CW, I usually don't have to bother, since I exclusively
work the Novice sub-bands.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2814. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: K0HB@JUNO.COM
Message-ID: <886186510.262275089@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180054
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Rigley L. Case wrote:

> ...and don't forget: "conditioning" = "Brainwashing", which is what has
> happened to those who have listened beeping noises for too long.
>

Speaking of "brainwashed".....

> **
> *For the latest information on the millennium/Y2K bug, visit *
> *http://www.garynorth.com for a worst-case scenario *
> **

Now even the survivalist whacko fringe is "into" Y2K Doom and Gloom!

Some of the Doom and Gloom set are actually motivated by things that go way beyond Y2K. They're a combination of survivalists, radical Christians (including reconstructionists), and secessionists with an agenda that includes:

--Returning to "God's plan" for government through total destruction of current institutions. (Wonder if the "Plains Parson" thinks abolition of Morse is "God's plan.)

--Secession of States from the United States of America

--Beginning a period of civil war

--Creating panic to further their hopes for destruction and deliverance

One group, The Creator's Rights party says:

"Think about it: the formation of Home Defense Forces perfectly symbolizes the actual meaning of the Y2K problem. Should the Y2K problem go unresolved, you in self-defense could actually be forced to fight off hoards of starving and thirsty people streaming out of dark and cold cities all across this nation."

Damn, Rigley, you run with a *WEIRD* crowd, *much* weirder than those beepers!

73, de Hans, K0HB

----------====== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2815. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130201100.PAA10955@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180055

In article <34D1EB41.E30E4F77@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>Cutie Boy, before you go spouting off about language and CW I'd like to know
>just
how many CW contacts you have made yourself? You seem to want to share a
>lot of
information about CW, I'm wondering if you have any credentials?

Good point, Tim. Glad you brought that up. All the remotely convincing arguments against CW I have seen in this ng were made by CW qualified hams, mostly in the upper license classes. I have yet to see an original argument against CW testing that holds any water at all be made by somebody who is not proficcient at Morse. Kind of ironic. Most of those intelligent enough to be even a little bit convincing saw the logic in learning the code first and getting on the air with it, and arguing for it's demise later. Cutie's arguments are mostly ridiculous one-liners and personal retorts. A poor testimony to our educational system. And I doubt that he has ever made a CW contact. Won't bother me much if he never does.

I guess I can handily sum up with this old dicho that has been seen in this ng before:

"Don't try to teach a pig to sing. It wastes your time and annoys the pig."

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2816. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130201101.PAA29283@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180056

In article <19980130131501.IAA27339@ladder03.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>
Why do ALL liberal, do-gooder politicians hold the citizens whom
>they
supposively "represent" to higher standards than themselves. Why do
>they
impose endless regulations, statutes, unfunded mandates, etc., on
>the
electorate...and then routinely exempt themselves from these same
>laws?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

You have made one of your rare good points, Drew. Sadly, the answer is two-fold. Human nature makes us all less than perfect, and most people, especially the type of power-hungry people that are usualy motivated to run for office, have episodes of "ME" thinking. Also, even though I am sure you did not vote for them and I sure didn't, WE THE PEOPLE did. We're just gonna have to take our medicine along with those who as individuals did vote for them.

The thing with Billary will be resolved through due process. Hopefully, whatever resolution we get will be the right one. It might not, though, and we may just have to accept that the system is not perfect.

BTW, maybe this thread should move to another ng. Been going a while and it doesn't seem to have much relevance, and the entertainment value is approaching nil after so long.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2817. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130201100.PAA29289@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180057

In article <19980130131501.IAA15781@ladder02.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>

And even better reasons why you should spend your time lobbying for removal
>of
the code requirement, rather than waste several hours of your time
>learning an
antiquated and basically useless skill.

"Where's that big 'ol CB
>RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Cmon, Drew... what does that have to do with the original post? The guy is interested in learning the code. got a problem with somebody learning something? I think cribbage is pretty useless, but I won't try to discourage you from learning how to play. He wanted info on HOW TO LEARN the code, not whether he should or not. Now shoo. go start another useless thread somewhere. You do have at least one redeeming virtue... you can be entertaining. Stick to that and stop heckling new hams trying to get into the hobby.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
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dit diddy-dit dit.....

2818. Re: Goodby

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
Message-ID: <53d_9801301100@warpgate.com>
Source record: 180058

C> From: cmjk2og@aol.com (Cmjk2og)
C>
C> This will be my last check of this newsgroup. I'll just have to sacrifice t
C> 1 percent of intelligent messages that appear on this board. Please don't c
C> for me. I'll survive.

Don't worry you posabibly won't even be missed. Anyone Too Cowardly to even
use their own name somewhere in their message is of NO consequense anyhow!
--
|WarpGate: Tom Walker 52:1000/211
|Internet: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
| The WarpGate Network Internet Gateway El Cajon, CA.

2819. Simplex Field Tests 07 Feb 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6atcjt$qu4@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180059

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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS
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Simplex Field Test in CD District V
Saturday, 07 Feb 1998

breakfast meeting - 8am at the Koa House in Kaneohe
field tests to follow directly after breakfast

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A long-range project of the Oahu Civil Defense Agency (OCDA), the
Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), and the amateur radio
community is to provide a detailed plan for island-wide simplex
communications.

The simplex mode is the fundamental backup system in the event normal means
of communication are disrupted. For example, the commercial phone system
goes out or radio tower-dependent systems are blown down.

We are working to establish usable simplex links within local areas and
critical connectors back to central command/control points. Ideally,
the radio operator at a emergency shelter will be equipped with the master
simplex plan. This will indicate where and how the shelter can contact the
local Emergency Operations Center (EOC), HPD, etc. It will also demonstrate
how to pass a message via simplex from the shelter back to OCDA.

Successful data has already been collected for CD District III (Waianae).
Next Saturday, 07 February 1998, we will be working in CD District V.
This region goes from Pupukea on the North Shore down the Windward Coast
to Kualoa. This beautiful region of our island-home has diverse and
challenging communications needs.

Please consider joining the team this Saturday. It will be fun day of
fellowship and radio work. The end-product will be excellent communications
plan to the serve the community in times of need.

ALL RADIO AMATEURS ARE INVITED. PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE ALONG TO INTERESTED
PARTIES.

Breakfast / Planning Meeting
Saturday morning (07 Feb) at 8am at the Koa House in Kaneohe
46-126 Kahuhipa, phone number 235-5772
from town: Likelike, left onto Kamehameha Highway, left onto
Kahuhipa (last major road before Windward Mall)
talk-in frequency : 146.52 MHz (simplex, of course)
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What to bring:
mobile radios
portable radios
J-pole antenna, etc
road map
pencil & notebook
camera
GPS
plus, anything else I'm forgetting

Please contact myself to sign-up and/or for additional details.

Mahalo and 73s,
KH7CL
RACES Deputy Coordinator

Jeffrey Herman, KH2PZ
Lead Radio Operator - Oahu Civil Defense RACES

2820. Re: Reality check #1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D239B5.568B@nb.net>
Source record: 180060
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Ed Legenza wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > Yes, one must put an effort for CW, but one must put an effort
> > for written as well.
> >
> > I took three days to remember a half of question set (500
> > questions).
> >
> > I took one day to pass CW. CW is just made up of dits and
> > dahs. Remember 26 characters and 10 numbers. What a crap ? No
> > wonder why CW doesn't make good hams on HF.
> >
>
> It seems as if the CW requirment is doing exactly what it should,
> keeping people like you off the air.
>
> Ed Legenza
> N6XA
> atued@earthlink.net

Thank God ED! Now if he could only loose his
Internet service!

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2821. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: jim@rst-engr.com
Message-ID: <34d22e35.7083286@news.gv.net>
Source record: 180061
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
shared these priceless pearls of wisdom:

->
->Cutie Boy, before you go spouting off about language and CW I'd like to
know just
->how many CW contacts you have made yourself?

OK, "duckbrain", you want credentials? My logbook started in '59 and has a few thousand CW contacts. That was back in the days when we were required to log each contact. I suspect I've had a few thousand since then unlogged. I don't know if you were born by '59, but with a KA8 call, you sure as hell weren't licensed then.

You seem to want to share a lot of
->information about CW, I'm wondering if you have any credentials? I've
had lots of
->good RC's, do you know what that means Masa? Probably not.

What is a Masa? Why abuse the net with your "in" attempt at belittling people that don't speak your patois? Or do you know the meaning of *that* word?

I'd bother to explain to
->you just how we pulled off some really nice QSO's on CW with two
different
->languages being spoken but I'm sure you wouldn't have a clue what I was
talking
->about.

Si. Gracias, por nada.

->Speed was never an issue, RTTY was much faster than CW and that was 50
years or
->more ago. Yet they continued using CW long after RTTY was developed, why?

Because the goddamned ARRL convinced the FCC that the majority of amateurs "supported" CW. Most of us couldn't care less whether or not CW exists, we sure as hell don't support a separate sub-band for it, and we sure as God made little green apples don't support a mandatory part of the exam for it. You can pound brass until your wrist falls off for all I care, just don't mandate it for the rest of us.

->Old, not obsolete.

No, obsolete was a perfect description. Aviation and radio are pretty close comparisons, in that they started about the first part of this century, went through some major advances in wartime, and have contributed much to the human knowledge base. At one time, part of the examination for a pilot WAS a knowledge of the morse code as well as the ability and knowledge to start an aircraft by hand-propping. As aviation advanced, so did the pilot exam requirements. Unfortunately, radio didn't follow suit (at least not at this point in time).

(Yes, I know how to do both, my students will always know how to do both, but the pilot exam doesn't require either.)

->
->> - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation
->
->Again, how many CW contacts have you made Masa?

See paragraph 1. Learn to use commas properly, Masa.

->> - Not many people in the world know it.
->
->Wrong again dickbrain, tune in CQ WW CW and LISTEN instead of professing what you
->don't know about CW.

YOU listen for a change. Calling people names is the poorly educated's only response to a valid argument. You might have some good points if you could only learn to express them. Like I said, you can use CW forever for all I care, just don't mandate a dead technology for the rest of us. At one time, a year of Latin was required to graduate from high school. How's your knowledge of the Gerundives Of The Second Periphrastic Conjugation coming these days?

Jim

Jim Weir, VP Eng. RST
A&P, CFI, and other good alphabet soup

2822. Re: Myth #9: One must put an effort for CW thus makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: aa744@james.hwcn.org
Message-ID: <6at027$85n@james.hwcn.org>
Source record: 180062
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Hiya Masa;
I have stood by,and watched you make a fool of yourself right across
Canada,,,from Vancouver,all the way to Quebec.
Now ,I am not a one to complain,especially when a person sets themself
up as an authority as you have,but being a Canadian;I do object to
you making us a whole look bad.
I want to personally apologize here for Masa's behaviour,as a fellow
Canadian,I am apalled by his lack of judgement,,,and his constant
verbalizations,,,without ever once putting his brain into gear first.
73 Fred
VE3FCX

<snip>
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> for written as well.

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> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> �tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
> Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
> C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***

> ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non
> sollicit�s!!

2823. Re: Goodby

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dave Burr <dtburr@mcs.com>
Message-ID: <01bd2dbe$f817fe00$693f5fcc@dtburr.mcs.com>
Source record: 180063

It's a good thing he left...he can't even spell "goodby"(sic) so the population on this newsgroup has suddenly become more intelligent, on the average.

Cmjk2og <cmjk2og@aol.com> wrote in article <19980129151501.KAA15675@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> This will be my last check of this newsgroup. I'll just have to sacrifice the
> 1 percent of intelligent messages that appear on this board. Please don't cry
> for me. I'll survive.
>
>
>

2824. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Philip de Cadenet <philip@two-way.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <tNSMOLA$Uj00Ew9k@two-way.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180064
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Don't knock them,
Russia has a third world economy primarily due to rife corruption and
the indemic mafia problem.
>I'm not surprised. Russia is a third world economy which attempted
>to field a first world military. But aside from the trappings of nuclear
>weapons and missiles, it never succeeded.
I've just returned from Krivoy Rog in Ukraine, part of the former USSR,
and it would open even your educated eyes if you had even an inkling as
to what the present military are up to in their supposedly secret
underground bases in this country. Right up there with the HAARP
project, and they're not looking at the damn weather.
> Much of its infrastructure
>is still primitive. They even still make vacuum tubes over there.
Yes, Sylvania, in St Petersburg is the worlds largest tube manufacturer!
> But
>they do know better. Some of the best data algorithms have come
>from Russians. They just don't yet have the microelectronics
>infrastructure to field them properly on the necessary scale. We
>don't have that excuse.
Laser eye surgery was also pioneered in russia, around twenty years
befor the west.
>The 219 MHz amateur band is restricted to point to point data emissions
>only.
>
>Gary
>Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
>534 Shannon Way | We break it |
>Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |
Phil G4ZOW
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Philip de Cadenet

2825. Re: How low can a Motorola Mitrek Conselette go?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: trynorZZZ@nbnet.nb.ca
Message-ID: <6at9qt$q9a$2@garnet.nbnet.nb.ca>
Source record: 180065

In article <6at9oe$q9a$1@garnet.nbnet.nb.ca>, trynorZZZ@nbnet.nb.ca (remove ZZZ) (Don Trynor) wrote:
>I have a Motorola Mitrek Consolette base station radio on the 450 - 470 MHz
>split. I need to put the unit on 440.100 MHz on a simplex freq. Can it be done
>or has anyone had any experience in taking one of these radios that low.
>
>Any help would be appreciated.

BTW, the model # is HUE 1082C

Don

2826. How low can a Motorola Mitrek Conselette go?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: trynorZZZ@nbnet.nb.ca
Message-ID: <6at9oe$q9a$1@garnet.nbnet.nb.ca>
Source record: 180066

I have a Motorola Mitrek Consolette base station radio on the 450 - 470 MHz split. I need to put the unit on 440.100 MHz on a simplex freq. Can it be done or has anyone had any experience in taking one of these radios that low.

Any help would be appreciated.

Don Trynor VE9NZ
trynorZZZ@nbnet.nb.ca (remove ZZZ)
(506) 693-8418

2827. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D24B05.5439@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180067
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> M Johnson wrote:
> > On the other hand most schools systems require foreign language to graduate.
> > Why should they have to learn a language they never plan to use after they
> > graduate. Come to think of it why should they have to take any classes they
> > don't plan to use.
>
> Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
> things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
> Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
> classes yet!!)

BAD point!!
1.) Those who ignore history (or never read any) are doomed
to repeat it.
2.) To write, you must be able to read (and therefore have
been exposed to some literature).

3.) a minimal level of physical conditioning is necessary
for even moderately good health.

What else did you miss out on? Logic???

2828. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <6ati17$7du$1@uranium.btinternet.com>
Source record: 180068
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

What a peculiar way to go.

I always thought he was killed in an air crash. But it was a
Russian aircraft.

Reg E.
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>As a side note poor Yuri is now buried in the Kremlin wall after
>succuming to the wonderful Russian medical system. He died while
>undergoing a hemroid operation.

2829. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Phil Heaton <ke4krt@mindspring.com>
Message-ID: <34D25782.375E0B7C@mindspring.com>
Source record: 180069
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> If CW makes good hams (who goes through cleaning process), we
> shouldn't see swearings and LSB music stations on 80m band + with call
> signs.
>

Last time I looked CW and LSB were different modes. Go back
to CB.

Phil

Phil Heaton
ke4krt@mindspring.com
http://www.qsl.net/ke4krt

2830. ST0YZ QSL INFO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Message-ID: <34d25e97.4163453@news.interbusiness.it>
Source record: 180070

Hallo to all OM there out.
I am looking for the qsl_info of ST0YZ, could you help me ?

best 73 de IC8POF Pippo
fpetagna-key*@mbox.caprinet.it
Insula Capri
Mare_Nostrum

Remove :" -key* " to send e-mail

2831. Re: Myth #9: One must put an effort for CW thus makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: hmk~~arse#@earthlink.net
Message-ID: <34d25d88.3429839@news.earthlink.net>
Source record: 180071
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Fred,
Most of us know Masa is not a Canadian, but a Japanese National
studying in Canada. Your apology on behalf of your country is
appreciated, but not necessary.

On a humorous note: Is it true that Canada got Favored Nation Trading
Status with Japan for taking Masa in your country?

73,
Howard
KE6MAK

On 30 Jan 1998 11:44:55 -0500, aa744@james.hwcn.org (Fred Colville)
wrote:

>Hiya Masa;
> I have stood by,and watched you make a fool of yourself right across
> Canada,,,from Vancouver,all the way to Quebec.
> Now ,I am not a one to complain,especially when a person sets themself
> up as an authority as you have,but being a Canadian;I do object to
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>> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
>> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)
>
>> Visit this excellent site
>> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
>> http://www.nocode.org
>> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/
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>> sollicit&#65533;s!!

2832. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Craig.Williamson@ColumbiaSC.NCR.COM
Message-ID: <34d265fd.0@masters>
Source record: 180072
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34CE2FAA.FED77470@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
>
>> Why waste time learning something that you are not going to ever use?!
>
>The same could be said for our Universities, as an Electrical Engineer do
>you really need to know about Eastern Civilizations? Probably not, but your
>still required to take many electives that have nothing to do with
>Electrical Engineering. The reason is to provide the Graduate student with a
>well rounded education. Learning code is in the same genera, You may decide
>not to use it but you have a knowledge of it nevertheless.
>Tell your professor that your entitled to your MBA and you think it's wrong
>for the University to FORCE you to take a marketing class because you have
>no intention of ever doing any marketing. See how far that argument gets
>you.
>

But are you ever retested on your Eastern Civ knowledge? If I never use my
Eastern Civ knowledge I will forget it, same as with code. If I need to get
retested I will probably not be able to use it at the same speed without some
practice. How often is retesting done?

Craig

The answer to life's problems aren't at the
-Craig Williamson bottom of a bottle. They're on TV!
Craig.Williamson@ColumbiaSC.NCR.COM - Homer Simpson
craig@toontown.ColumbiaSC.NCR.COM (home) The Simpsons

2833. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D26D13.660626F6@flash.net>
Source record: 180073
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Jim Weir wrote:

> Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
> shared these priceless pearls of wisdom:

Thank you Jim....

> ->Cutie Boy, before you go spouting off about language and CW I'd like to
> know just
> ->how many CW contacts you have made yourself?
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> OK, "duckbrain", you want credentials? My logbook started in '59 and has a
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> to log each contact. I suspect I've had a few thousand since then
> unlogged. I don't know if you were born by '59, but with a KA8 call, you
> sure as hell weren't licensed then.
>

Nope wasn't born until 62, my log didn't start until 79 and is mostly CW. I have not counted but I've got a dozen or so log books filled some with contests some without. My question to him was very straight forward. I am asking how someone can possibly comment on what kind of conversations / usefulness / etc. exist using CW if you have never had any conversations using CW. Your operating credentials, Jim, and the year you were licensed have nothing to do with Cutieboys comments on CW.

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> ->information about CW, I'm wondering if you have any credentials? I've
> had lots of
> ->good RC's, do you know what that means Masa? Probably not.
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> What is a Masa? Why abuse the net with your "in" attempt at belittling
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> word?
>

No one has good definition of exactly what a Masa, a.k.a Cutieboy *is* As far as belittling anyone, I'm simply asking him how he can make claims about using morse on the air (e.g. CQ CQ only no real life conversations) without ever having had a conversation using morse. No I didn't know what patois was, but I looked it up, thanks for the new word.

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> years or
> ->more ago. Yet they continued using CW long after RTTY was developed, why?

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> made little green apples don't support a mandatory part of the exam for it.
> You can pound brass until your wrist falls off for all I care, just
> don'tmandate it for the rest of us.

Cutieboy said:

Some additional comments about CW:
>
> - Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)

And I responded by indicating that speed was not the issue since CW had continued side by side with RTTY (faster) for over 50 years so there must have been another reason OTHER than speed that kept it alive. RTTY and CW have been used commercially all over the world. Sorry, but I have NO IDEA what the ARRL, FCC, God making little green apples, mandatory parts of the exam, and sub-bands have to do with the subject of morse code being slower than a digital signal.

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>
> No, obsolete was a perfect description.

Unless in your patois obsolete is defined differently then it would not be a perfect description since it's defined as "no longer in use" which it clearly is. Thanks for your comments regarding my grammar, now go look up obsolete so you'll know how to use it the next time.

> See paragraph 1. Learn to use commas properly, Masa.
>
> ->> - Not many people in the world know it.
> ->
> ->Wrong again dickbrain, tune in CQ WW CW and LISTEN instead of professing
> what you
> ->don't know about CW.
>
> YOU listen for a change. Calling people names is the poorly educated's
> only response to a valid argument.

Well, you didn't waste any time calling me a "Duckbrain". It would appear these rules apply only to other people, unless you consider yourself poorly educated.

> You might have some good points if you
> could only learn to express them.

Like your example above "goddamned ARRL" ?

> Like I said, you can use CW forever for
> all I care, just don't mandate a dead technology for the rest of us.

Well I appreciate that Jim but the post had nothing to do with mandating CW.

> At
> one time, a year of Latin was required to graduate from high school. How's
> your knowledge of the Gerundives Of The Second Periphrastic Conjugation
> coming these days?
>

Probably not very well Jim since I don't know what that means, but what does it
have to do with the thread:"Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating" ?

> Jim
>
> Jim Weir, VP Eng. RST
> A&P, CFI, and other good alphabet soup

Tim, ka8ddz

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2834. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D271CA.4B905337@flash.net>
Source record: 180074
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

John looks like your getting some good replys here, the one liner about 5 wpm not being code is not literal, I believe the point was the 5 wpm is very slow and easy enough for anyone to learn. FWIW I learned the old fashoned way E I S H 5, T M O 0, translated . .. ., - -- --- -----, it worked well for me and I raised the code speed to a little under 20 wpm within a year or so of casual operating. I have heard good things about the Farnsworth meathod but I have also heard that it is MORE difficult to then copy someone sending at 5 wpm or less. Personally I think learning slow and building your speed on the air is the best way, there is much more to the 'copy' besides speed. Learning how to copy through noise and other conditions comes only through experience, but either way I don't think there is much chance of messing up.

Best of luck to you,

Tim, ka8ddz

kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:

> I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
> not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
> learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
> designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
> the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
> know before I really mess something up.
>
> 73,
> John

2835. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D27555.83281FCA@flash.net>
Source record: 180075
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> What you need for the test is what you need to learn !!
>
> No waste, no hassle, no failing !!
>
> Canadian Amateur Basic Qualification Study Guide:
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/study.pdf

Yes! Get yours today! The Canadian Amateur Basic Qualification Study Guide by Cutieboy.
Chock full of spelling errors, incorrect information, and MUCH MUCH MORE!

2836. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D27007.882@concentric.net>
Source record: 180076
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

I think CW is fun. I started as a novice in 1984 and logged over 100 CW contacts. Most of my unique contacts are CW.

The reason the majority of hams don't use CW (and I'm not convinced of your metric) is because the no code test flooded the bands with no-code operators.

Wonder what the population of hams will be if CW is eliminated as a test requirement.

73s de KI5XW

2837. Re: Myth #6: Keeping CW will save ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D271D3.7F2B@concentric.net>
Source record: 180077
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Look at it this way. A certain percentage of hams are corrupt. Assume that an equal number of coded and code-challenged hams are corrupt. It would seem to me that taking advantage of laziness would reduce the amount of corruption on the bands by keeping the code requirement.

I quite enjoy what little space is left on HF - simply because the majority of wannabe hams lack the initiative to complete the code requirement. It didn't kill me to take the tests and I'm enjoying the rewards of my efforts.

73s de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Keeping CW will not save ham radio.
>
> Reasons:
>
> - Does not attract many people because they cannot spare time
> - Less amateurs
> - Corruption of amateur radio
>
> - Many people prefer anything faster if it is available (CW is
> too slow. Like many prefer Pentium instead of 286)
> - No point of learning CW (no point of using 286)
> because other fast means of communication are available
> - Less amateurs
> - Corruption of amateur radio
>
> - HF radio (CW) in general is expensive compared to other
> faster methods of communication (like spending $10000 on 286 when you
> can buy $1000 Pentium. No make sense to pay thousand dollars + (such
> as repair) on CW rig when you can get computer + internet for
> hundreds)
> - Less amateurs
> - Corruption of amateur radio
>
> - Obselete (think of cars, mobiles. I wouldn't want to drive
> cars and mobiles of 100 years ago in winter time. Think of
> abacus. It's obselete and it's stupid to force it to people.)
> - Not many people care (or just simply ignore amateur
> communication)
> - Less amateurs
> - Corruption of amateur radio

>
> ____
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>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

2838. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D2706C.537A@concentric.net>
Source record: 180078
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Whoever said CW breaks language barriers? I know someone asked how to
hams of different languages communicate and the response was *the use of
Q signals*.

Seems to me that since CW is the transmission of the English Language
(in my case), the reciever better know english.

73s de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> CW:
>
> Also some say you can communicate who doesn't know English (or simply
> between different languages) very well. This is a false statement.
> You may be able to make "QSL" (just exchanging the call signs and
> that's it) but whatelse you can do if she doesn't know "any" English
> and you have no idea about her language ?? CW will not eliminate
> language barrier. If you have no idea what " J'ai 18 ans. " (if
> someone transmits in CW) means, you are deadend !!
>
> Some additional comments about CW:
>
> - Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)
> - Obselete, Outdated
> - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation
> - Not many people in the world know it.
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2839. Re: Myth #9: One must put an effort for CW thus makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D2731A.62C2@concentric.net>
Source record: 180079
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Ohhhh cutie boy said crap. Do get mad now. Just say to yourself, "I
think I can I think I can ditty dah dit ditty dah dit".

73s de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> Yes, one must put an effort for CW, but one must put an effort
> for written as well.
>
> I took three days to remember a half of question set (500
> questions).
>
> I took one day to pass CW. CW is just made up of dits and
> dahs. Remember 26 characters and 10 numbers. What a crap ? No
> wonder why CW doesn't make good hams on HF.
>
> ____
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2840. Re: Myth #10: People are complaining because they don't want to do anything

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D2741C.5F74@concentric.net>
Source record: 180080
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

If you say it, it must be true. Now say, "I'm full of crap I'm full of crap". I can tell your getting mad cutsie boy.

Hey I have an idea...if this thread was required to be sent in CW, I bet cutsie boy would have given up at myth #1

73s de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> It is unfortunate that many of those who are against CW requirement in
> this newsgroup HOLD CW. It is rare to hear (about CW elimination)
> from someone who does not hold morse.
>
> Please respect the situation.
>
> _____
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2841. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D2727B.7A3D@concentric.net>
Source record: 180081
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Oh Paleezzze. The ARRL is a non-profit organization. They don't survive by selling code tapes. It would make more business since for the ARRL to sell their wares to the flood of freeloaders that would become hams if tickets were given away. The ARRL simply protects the interests of hams like me who believe the code requirement serves a useful purpose.

73s de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> ARRL supports CW. Why ? Think of it.
>
> Someone suggested previously:
>
> If CW requirement goes away...
>
> - they cannot sell code practising tapes or devices
> - less funding...
>
> - they cannot sell CW accesories (keyer etc.)
> - less funding...
>
> What are they going to do if it goes away ?? They somehow
> need to collect the money (the membership fee only does not cover the
> cost to operate the organization). They can't sell call books
> because we can search the call sign on the internet now...
>
> ____
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2842. Radio Shack DX-394 SW receiver.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: martin@scican.net
Message-ID: <886209010.1322778641@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180082

I would appreciate any information about the Radio Shack DX-394 SW receiver. For example, how well does it receive SSB? What are its positive and negative traits? Thanks.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

2843. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D27326.6957@nb.net>
Source record: 180083
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> > CW:
> >
> > Also some say you can communicate who doesn't know English (or simply
> > between different languages) very well. This is a false statement.
> > You may be able to make "QSL" (just exchanging the call signs and
> > that's it) but whatelse you can do if she doesn't know "any" English
> > and you have no idea about her language ?? CW will not eliminate
> > language barrier. If you have no idea what " J'ai 18 ans. " (if
> > someone transmits in CW) means, you are deadend !!
> >
>
> Cutie Boy, before you go spouting off about language and CW I'd like to know just
> how many CW contacts you have made yourself? You seem to want to share a lot of
> information about CW, I'm wondering if you have any credentials? I've had lots of
> good RC's, do you know what that means Masa? Probably not. I'd bother to explain to
> you just how we pulled off some really nice QSO's on CW with two different
> languages being spoken but I'm sure you wouldn't have a clue what I was talking
> about.
>
> > Some additional comments about CW:
> >
> > - Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)
>
> Speed was never an issue, RTTY was much faster than CW and that was 50 years or
> more ago. Yet they continued using CW long after RTTY was developed, why?
>
> > - Obselete, Outdated
>
> Old, not obsolete.
>
> > - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation
>
> Again, how many CW contacts have you made Masa?
>
> > - Not many people in the world know it.
>
> Wrong again dickbrain, tune in CQ WW CW and LISTEN instead of professing what you
> don't know about CW.
>

> Tim, ka8ddz
>

Ignore him Tim...it's just a loose wire behind the keyboard!

2844. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D29875.1FCD068B@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180084
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> James W. KELLEY wrote:
>
> > In follow-up to all, and to none in particular, I claim we should take it
> > (the "debate") to 3950. We appear to be not all that different from those
> > we have decried - mostly the subject matter is different. Let's just
> > fire up the silver wires and have at it. I can hear it now. Yelling
> > and jamming and cursing each other in the name of our particular cause.
> > The frequency would be the same, the tone of the participants would be
> > the same, only the names (and the callsigns) would change - and we'd have
> > the added dimension of instant censure! What say ye all? Shall we tone
> > it down a bit - or change the name of the newsgroup to e3950?
> >
> > Jim Kelley AC6XG
>
> Well it's an interesting thought Jim but who are we going to talk to, the
> no-coders cant go to 3950!
> Tim Hynde, KA8DDZ

Jim is right about the subject getting a little hot, but I am a little
interested in your statement Tim, Re: No-coders can't go to 3950.
Are you labouring under the mistaken assumption that all those here on
the side of No Code Testing are not qualified to tune up and tx on
3950? That would be a mistake as many have long since done the deed and
are leagal on HF. They just don't agree that Morse testing serves a
purpose, reasonable purpose I should say. Some even like OOK and use it
all the time. Still don't see the need to test for it. Not a big deal
but needs to be clarified for some now and again.

Regards,

Ed
d

2845. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D29DDB.2946@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180085
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

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Lumpy - ABï¿½GD wrote:
>
> Tim Hynde wrote:
> >
> > Quote of the century:
> > "... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
> > it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98
>
> Lumpy writes:
>
> "... there was no Masa 200 years ago...
"Sure wish there had been."
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2846. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
Message-ID: <Pine.GSO.3.94.980130225719.26427A-100000@Stratus.CAM.ORG>
Source record: 180086
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Anyone serious about amateur radio in Canada would do well to visit the
Radio Amateurs of Canada website first, at
http://www.rac.ca

Not only does it have information, but it also has links (including to the
"McGill Amateur Radio Club Study Guide" at Cutie Boy's site) to well
established pages Canadian ham pages that carry items of interest to both
beginners and old timers.

It also has lists of local ham clubs across Canada, distributors that
carry RAC study guides, and a list of upcoming hamfests in Canada.

The site is comprehensive enough that people really ought to go to it for
their first search for information here in Canada. If a site is not
linked, I'm sure they would be glad to add a link. It's a whole lot
easier to go to one page and branch out from there than stumble across
somebody's webpage that may or may not be the best source. I have seen
other good Canadian websites for amateur radio, but there is no sense in
listing them since they do have links at the RAC site.

The RAC has also recently integrated the RAQI website into the overall
site, for those looking for French material.

As for the study guide in the subject header, I don't know whether it's
useful or not. A little problem of using a Mac Plus (wasn't someone
comparing a 286 to CW?) that I doubt could run the software to view a PDF
file.

Michael VE2BVW

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998, Tim Hynde wrote:

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>
>

2847. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2d1d$e463f720$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180139

RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980129080601.DAA21585@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> In article <01bd2c4a$c69fb7c0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
> <wa6vse@fast.net> writes:
>
> >
> RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote in
> >article
> <19980128230100.SAA02121@ladder02.news.aol.com>...
> >
> > It's not a
> >hazing ritual.
>
> Sure it is ...
>
> Nope. I wasn't hazed... I sat down and took the 13. I missed by a question.

> I stayed and took the 5 WPM and passed with the first minute being solid
copy.
> I was congragulated, not hazed.

The point is that requiring anyone to take *any* Morse test is a form
of "hazing ritual" since there is no real justification for requiring
Morse at all in today's world.

> What good does it do to have a throughput of a kilobaud if I can only type
> about 35 WPM? Computer-assisted digital modes are indeed superior for
handling
> messages, but the extra throughput is waaaay overkill for casual ragchewing.
> Bandwidth is the benchmark for that

READ MY LIPS ... it doesn't matter how fast (or slow) you can type ...
the ability to transmit data in rapid bursts leaves the channel free for
others to use during the "dead times" ... thus, the "I can't type that
fast" argument is lame.

And the ONLY valid measure of spectral efficiency is bits/sec/Hz, not
raw bandwidth ...

> > But, it is the cheapest,
>
> Sorry, but I'll pop the extra
> >15-20 cents for a varactor and
> do BFSK/MSK with the same simple rig. The
> >receiver is no more
> complicated, and I already have several computers on my

> >(home)
> LAN which could easily do the encoding and decoding (including
> FEC)
> >that will easily blow away OOK Morse ... not a bad investment
> of that 15-20
> >cents, I'd say ...
>
> Not all of us have computers... all of us hams, that is.

You apparently do ... so does everyone else here on the net ...
or have you figured out how to key today's modem standards by
hand and copy them by ear???

> Get over the hang=up of "copying by ear" ... it's most
> >inefficient.
>
> Doesn't seem inefficient to me. I hear and I understand, as long as the
other
> op stays below 30 and sends decent code.

But the same bandwidth could support MANY more users if more efficient
modes (in terms of spectral use vs. time) were used ...

> > it is not spectrum-hungry,
>
> It is clearly not the most
> >spectrally efficient mode available.
> (The only VALID metric for spectral
> >efficiency is bits/sec/Hz,
> not just raw bandwidth ... and remember that if we
> >slow better
> digital modes WAAAAAYYYYY DOWWWWN to Morse thruput rates,
> >they'll
> take less bandwidth than Morse, too.)
>
> Say WHAT? how do you figure less bandwidth? There are at least two distinct
> tones used, no matter how narrow the shift, so while it can indeed approach
CW
> in narrowness of bandwidth, I can't see for the life of me how it could
surpass
> it.

I will refer you to Deja News for one of Gary Coffman's EXCELLENT posts on
this ... or you might find one of mine, too ... we have both proposed credible
systems that could handle tens of thousands of simultaneous, non-interfering
20 wpm CW equivalent QSOs in the space of just the 20m CW/digital subband.
Gary also has posted excellent explanations of how (at equivalent data rates)
even simple FSK/MSK would consume less bandwidth than OOK Morse and provide
significantly better weak signal performance ...
(This is true, despite the Morse Myths that you've been brainwashed with all
these years ...)

> > and it encourages
> >
> >homebrewing requiring only simple designs.
>
>
> Adding a 15-20 cent varactor is
> >NOT a BFD in terms of complexity.
> This argument for OOK Morse has long-since
> >worn out ...
>
> As a matter of fact, on the simplest of CW QRP transmitters, you will be
nearly
> doubling the parts count, and requiring interfacing to a computer.

Not necessarily ... at the same data rates that are used for OOK Morse, one could easily hand key and copy by ear FSK ... the old spark rigs actually pulled the frequency rather than "making and breaking the arc" ... using a better (uniform) code than Morse would also make decoding easier either for man or machine ... though machines can clearly do much better than humans can, particularly in marginal conditions (IF good codes are used, that is, but Morse is NOT a "good" code because of its non-uniform nature.) There is also reportedly (though I have not personally seen it, since I am not interested in "by ear" decoding methods) a body of evidence that humans can more easily detect tonal shifts (FSK) in a noisy environment than the OOK amplitude keying of OOK Morse ...
Again, you have obviously been mislead by the constant stream of Morse Myth dogma that flies in the face of engineering facts.

> Believe me, there are no ccomputers in dumpsters down here in the valley.

Check the dumpsters in a better neighborhood???

> > If it weren't for CW, I would never have
> >become a ham. Couldn't have
> afforded
> > it.
>
> Learn to scrounge better and
> >upgrade your station to this century's level
> of technology ... you might even
> >learn some things in the process (and that's
> the primary purpose of ham
> >radio).
>
> As a matter of fact, almost everything I have ever built has been largely
with
> scrounged materials. I learn something even if I'm just building a new key
or
> troubleshooting a power supply. My technology IS this century's technology.
> What century do you think CW was invented?

Morse code was invented in the 1840s ...

> I am not prejudiced against ANY mode. I have a computer, and I have worked
> several digital and a couple of image modes. I enjoy it, too, but I really
> like CW.

Great ... more power to you (seriously, not being sarcastic ...) I have NO problem with anyone who WANTS to use Morse using it now or forever (despite MD's lies and allegations to the contrary) ... Just please don't insist on forcing it on everyone else solely because YOU like it ...

> You, on the other hand, seem to have a manic hatred for CW. instead
> of looking for common ground, you zero in on CW as a divisive issue.

I don't hate Morse as a mode and don't wish to preclude anyone from using it if they voluntarily choose to ... I hate forced Morse testing as an artificial an unjustified barrier to entry to HF for otherwise totally qualified people ... I've worked with hundreds over my 25+ year career as an RF engineer ... Morse testing IS a divisive issue ... I didn't make it that way, it just IS that way. It's been that way for the nearly 25 years that I've been a licensed ham ... It will continue to be that way until it goes away or the ARS is killed by the FCC/Congress for acute stagnation and refusal to accept new ways and modernize ...

> By the way, the varactor for FSK is a pretty neat way to go, I'll give you
> that. I have often mulled the same idea over but haven't actually tried it
yet.
> But for a first project, I would still recommend a simple crystal controlled
> single stage transmitter with minimal parts count, using discrete components
> for clarity. I'm afraid that still means CW.
>
> If you think of any potential pitfals with the varactor FSK thing, which I
> assume you have used, fire me an e-mail if it is convenient. I don't
remember
> ever seeing anything published on this. Actually, a complete project article
> would probably go good in QST.

The varactor can be used to pull your rock for FSK ... and as I said before you can key it by hand and copy the tone shift by ear at OOK Morse-like rates.

You could even learn to copy Baudot and/or ASCII by ear at those rates, though as I've said, machines can do it much better ...

73,

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2848. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2d20$56ff0980$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180140
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote in article
<34D0BC25.945AA569@ix.netcom.com>...
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > It would sure suck to have
> > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > to talk letter by letter in code!!
>
> How Big of you to have just insulted the thousands of people who have to
> use tty on the phone to communicate. But I guess we should not have expected
> you to know that with your tunnel vision education.
>
> 73
> Mark
> WA0DCA

That's not what he said, Mark ... he said nothing about "TTY" ... he likened
Morse to "using the touch-tone keypad to talk letter by letter in code."
TTY is MUCH closer to modern communications methods than Morse ...

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Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2d20$b08a50e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Howard and Kelly Lute <OptCamel@sj.bigger.net> wrote in article
<34D10F19.841F97BA@sj.bigger.net>...
> Common culture must be taght in order to insure a common morality, therefore
all
> the "useless" English, Art, History etc. classes. It's insurance.
> friend,
> Lute

"insurance" = "another racket" in this case ...

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2850. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

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From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
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Source record: 180142

Jeffrey Herman <jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu> wrote in article
<6ap2u6$qf1@news.Hawaii.Edu>...
> Rigley L. Case wrote:
> > If you outlaw contests that crowd the airwaves every weekend, your problem
> > is solved.
>
> You say that because you don't understand the benefits of contests.
> Only the most efficient and robust equipment installations, from
> radios, operating position, lead-in, to antenna, can be a serious
> contender. Here, you'll find only the very best operators, knowledgable
> of propagation conditions, international procedures, and operating tech-
> niques who, when hearing something as simple as a single "dit", know how
> to interpret such a cue.
>
> These exceptional operators and the rock-solid stations they operate are
> whom your community turns to when disaster strikes, for these communica-
> tors voluntarily "train" themselves weekend after weekend, in the most
> grueling mental and physical activity known to the amateur radio service.
> No other operators are better prepared for the rigors of providing
> emergency communications.

What a crock or crap, Jeff ... contesting trains for aggressiveness and
competitiveness with a "stomp 'em into the dust by brute force" mentality.

That is NOT effective training for providing emergency communications,
where discipline and the ability to "back off," listen, and behave,
rather than trying to dominate can be far more valuable than any of the
contester's "skills."

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2851. Re: ham licenses for international students

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14832.1373560@news.total.net>
Source record: 180143

On 29 Jan 1998 18:23:56 GMT, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) wrote:

>For info on VE teams active in your area, test dates and sites, study guides,
>licensing procedures, etc see the ARRL homepage.
>
>http://www.arrl.org

>The other posts are, of course, correct. There are no citizenship restrictions
>whatsoever. All that is needed is a U.S. address through which the FCC can
>contact the licensee in a timely manner and where the license can be mailed.

>If your friend already has a license from his country, He could also look into
>a reciprocal operating permit. If his country and the US have a current
>reciprocal agreement, He can apply for the reciprocal permit and operate using
>his own license, and use any modes, power levels, and frequencies that are
>allowed in the US that are also allowed in his native country to his license
>class.

Once someone gets the US license, she cannot use her reciprocal
license in the US...

Just a tip...

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2852. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14983.1709951@news.total.net>
Source record: 180144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 13:51:29 -0600, kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote:

>I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
>not actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
>learning at 13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
>designed to teach code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
>the speed that I want to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
>know before I really mess something up.
>
>73,
>John

maybe you shouldn't do anything at all.

or else start with 100 WPM and I am sure you can compete with lots of
CWers in here.

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2853. Myth #1: CW makes good hams

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From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14acb.2038523@news.total.net>
Source record: 180145
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If CW makes good hams (who goes through cleaning process), we shouldn't see swearings and LSB music stations on 80m band + with call signs.

It is like saying that who has higher education does not commit crimes... (which is absolutely false statement)

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2854. Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

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Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14ac6.2033292@news.total.net>
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Unfortunately, CW emergency communcation is rarely used (if
you know one, please give us the example).
Many of amateur emergency communications are handled locally such as
the use of 2m repeater OR else VOICE HF.
(Moreover,) in commercial industry, 99% of ships now do not use CW as
a method of communicating SOS.

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2855. Myth #3: "No CW, it will become CB"

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From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14ac1.2028622@news.total.net>
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Some [Pro-CWers] say HF amateur bands will become CB band if
there is no CW requirement for HF bands.
10 years ago before no-code license was created, many said the same
thing. "VHF bands would be flooded and would become worse than CB
radio" It didn't happen. Umm... do the amateurs who do not go
through the CW elimination will be same as CBers...
Listen to 2m and 440. It's much clean compared to some HF bands
where you can listen to those CW foggies who breaks the law and makes
the bad representation of ham community.

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2856. Myth #4: CW is fun

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If CW is fun, why less than 0.01% of whole population in the world know the CW ? Or at least 1/4 of amateurs in the US do not hold CW qualification ?

It may be fun, but it is not fun of the majority.

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2857. Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

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From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
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CW:

Also some say you can communicate who doesn't know English (or simply
between different languages) very well. This is a false statement.
You may be able to make "QSL" (just exchanging the call signs and
that's it) but whatelse you can do if she doesn't know "any" English
and you have no idea about her language ?? CW will not eliminate
language barrier. If you have no idea what " J'ai 18 ans. " (if
someone transmits in CW) means, you are deadend !!

Some additional comments about CW:

- Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)
- Obselete, Outdated
- CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation
- Not many people in the world know it.

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2858. Myth #6: Keeping CW will save ham radio

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From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
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Keeping CW will not save ham radio.

Reasons:

- Does not attract many people because they cannot spare time
- Less amateurs
- Corruption of amateur radio

- Many people prefer anything faster if it is available (CW is too slow. Like many prefer Pentium instead of 286)
- No point of learning CW (no point of using 286) because other fast means of communication are available
- Less amateurs
- Corruption of amateur radio

- HF radio (CW) in general is expensive compared to other faster methods of communication (like spending $10000 on 286 when you can buy $1000 Pentium. No make sense to pay thousand dollars + (such as repair) on CW rig when you can get computer + internet for hundreds)
- Less amateurs
- Corruption of amateur radio

- Obselete (think of cars, mobiles. I wouldn't want to drive cars and mobiles of 100 years ago in winter time. Think of abacus. It's obselete and it's stupid to force it to people.)
- Not many people care (or just simply ignore amateur communication)
- Less amateurs
- Corruption of amateur radio

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2859. Myth #7: No code = Above 30 MHz

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2860. Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

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ARRL supports CW. Why ? Think of it.

Someone suggested previously:

If CW requirement goes away...

- they cannot sell code practising tapes or devices
- less funding...

- they cannot sell CW accesories (keyer etc.)
- less funding...

What are they going to do if it goes away ?? They somehow
need to collect the money (the membership fee only does not cover the
cost to operate the organization). They can't sell call books
because we can search the call sign on the internet now...

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2861. Myth #9: One must put an effort for CW thus makes good hams

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Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14a83.1965791@news.total.net>
Source record: 180153
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Yes, one must put an effort for CW, but one must put an effort for written as well.

I took three days to remember a half of question set (500 questions).

I took one day to pass CW. CW is just made up of dits and dahs. Remember 26 characters and 10 numbers. What a crap ? No wonder why CW doesn't make good hams on HF.

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Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2862. Myth #10: People are complaining because they don't want to do anything

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d14a18.1859371@news.total.net>
Source record: 180154
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It is unfortunate that many of those who are against CW requirement in
this newsgroup HOLD CW. It is rare to hear (about CW elimination)
from someone who does not hold morse.

Please respect the situation.
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2863. Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130034601.WAA01766@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180155

In article <6ardq3$rm6$1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>, "blueis"
<blueis@sprintmail.com> writes:

>Having been licensed for thirty years I have found that my interest in
>ham
radio has declined steadily over the years.... just as the level
>of
respect, willingness to help and camaraderie have declined.
>Unfortunately,
it looks like this is the electronic trend, also.

Ditto for society in general.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2864. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130041901.XAA06986@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180156

In article <34D15148.12A@asu.edu>, Will White <will.white@asu.edu> writes:

>Yes, but again, illegally obtainined evidence is not admissable.
Besides,
>everything, including the tapes, at this point is hearsay.
Actually, most of
>that hearsay now suggests that Lewinsky fabricated the
whole thing.

Only if you believe the liberally-biased media who is trying every trick in the book to save this guy, despite the overwhelming evidence against him.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2865. Re: Renewing Station License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130063901.BAA25685@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180157

In article <#kkM3JOL9GA.164@upnetnews02.moswest.msn.net>, "LHS"
<c3p0@starwars.com> writes:

>
Not completly true...

I just got a call sign change and my expiration date
>was changed to 10 years
after the issuance of my new call.

Lawrence K5LHS

That seems to be what the whole thing hinges on. With a new call, it's a new
license. My tech plus ticket was only a year old when I upgraded to Extra, but
I still got a new ten year expiration date.

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dit diddy-dit dit.........

2866. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130064001.BAA07428@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180158

I wonder if there is a link to "ham actor" or "stage ham". In the early days of radio, some early experiments involving AM fone involved transmitting audio from those new-fangled fonographs and other forms of audio entertainment. There might have been some sort of comparison made with vaudeville performers. Radio has always been used as a stage of sorts by some. Even though we can no longer play music over the amateur bands (with one exception that I know of) there are a lot of OMs who seem to relish in being the center of attention at the mike. Just a stab in the dark, but a parallel could be drawn here. Anyway, sounds more plausible than some explanations I have heard or read.

>>
>So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
>If you can
>include your source it would be helpful. All stories
>and their variants
>(except the patently ridiculous ones) will
>be greatly
>appreciated.
>
>Gary
>KB0QGE
>gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

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2867. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130064000.BAA07438@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180159

In article <886103009.1315700737@dejanews.com>, kd5bcu@qsl.net writes:

>
I am just starting to learn code. Since I am being told that 5 wpm is
not
>actually morse code, is there any reason why I should not START
learning at
>13 wpm or even faster? I have a computer program that is
designed to teach
>code (using the Farnsworth Method) and it lets me set
the speed that I want
>to work at between 1 and 40 wpm. Just wanting to
know before I really mess
>something up.

73,
John

5 WPM IS INDEED code. Traditionally, that is the speed hams start out at. Slow copy is nothing to be ashamed about. But, there is certainly no reason not to learn at a higher speed... in fact, there are very good reasons why you should learn at even as high as 20 WPM and bypass 5 WPM altogether.

When you learn straight 5 WPM code with regular timing, you can't help but to count dits and dahs at such a slow speed. This seems the path of least resistance, and you will learn by this method without even thinking about it. The problem is, when you double your speed, your wetware can't process the elements fast enough to go any faster. Thus, the infamous 10 WPM hump. It is very hard for most people to overcome and upgrade to 13 WPM when they have learned by the counting method.

With a faster speed, say 16 to 20 WPM, there is no time to count. You will be cueing on the sound of the character, not the series of dit and dah elements that make up the character. To facilitate learning, the spaces between characters can be lengthened so the actual throughput is at a much slower speed. This fast-character, slow-space timing is called Farnsworth code. It is a proven learning technique, and makes upgrading much less painful. The ARRL code practice tapes as well as the actual code test for 5 and 13 WPM are Farnsworth, with the characters sent at 18 WPM. 20 WPM test and tapes are straight morse. I suggest learning with Farnsworth at 20 WPM characters right from the start. There is no reason why you can't be able to pass the Extra class code exam in a couple of months, and be conversational at that speed in 6 months or less if you are really motivated.

Most programs allow setting the character speed and word speed separately. If yours does not, find a program that does. My personal favorite is Supermorse

by WD5CID, but there are others that are pretty good too.

Listen to fast code on the air, too. You might only get the odd letter here or there, but that's OK. Never practice at a speed you are comfortable with. If you can copy 80% or more, it is definitely time to crank it up a hair.

When I was learning, I had a micro-casette recorder, the cigarette pack sized units that use the little bitty casettes the old tape driven answering machines used. I would run Supermorse, usually playing continuous random groups, at various word speeds and 20 WPM character speed. I taped the output, and I then had portable code practice. Random groups are not that much fun to copy, so I would treat myself to a text file every once in a while, usually toward the end of a tape. I could carry it around anywhere, and listen, finger-writing on a smooth surface when nobody was around staring. If you are "caught", and don't feel like explaining, just stare back. They will leave.

5 minutes here and there several times a day is much better than cramming for an hour or two every evening. It is easy to get burnt out. Speaking of which, if you seem to run up into a wall and progress seems to stop, give it a rest for a day or two, then come back to it.

Listen to really, really fast code every once in a while, even if only for a minute. That will make 20 sound slower and build confidence. Good OTA practice is the W1AW fast code practice, and WLOs automated CW broadcasts which sometimes are 30 minutes long at 31 WPM. tune around in the maritime bands at the top of the hour. You'll know when you have found them even if you don't get the callsign when you hear that computer-generated 31 WPM code. It sounds quite a bit slower than it is.

I used to let Supermorse run where I could hear it from my rack and go to sleep listening, usually at a slightly faster speed than my study speed. When I woke up, I would turn it down and practice for about 5 minutes. Turning it down from a faster speed makes it sound a lot slower than it is. There might have been a subliminal learning effect at work too, for all I know. Sounds good anyway.

When you go test, usually the 20 WPM test tape will be played first, folloewd by the 13, and then the 5 WPM. You may as well take the 20 even if you aren't confident of passing. You never know! Also, it will make the 13 sound slow, and the 5 WPM sound like slow-mo special effects.

Supermorse can give you a randomly generated sample Morse Code test, complete with questions. It uses dictionary files and templates to create the 5 minute format test that is remarkably similar to the one you will actually take if you are tested by an ARRL VE team. A couple of days before the test date, take a few of these practice tests, and pay special attention to names of antennas, rigs, states and cities, WX conditions, etc. If you hear "ANT HERE IS CUSH..." go ahead and get it down, abbreviating Cushcraft, clear your mind for a sec, and get ready for an alpha-numeric model name. Same with "RIG HR KENW...", etc. The practice exams teach you very little about copying code, but they do teach you how to pass the exam.

Before you get very far in preparing for the actual test, contact the VE team and find out exactly how you will be tested. You can do without surprises.

Read past posts on related subjects and you will find lots more hints on learning the code. And yes, if you feel the least bit motivated, learn at 18 or 20 right off the bat, and stick with it for at least a week before giving up and dropping down to 5 WPM. You will be glad you did.

Good luck

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2868. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: billn@peak.org
Message-ID: <6arsvcqlo13@bashir.peak.org>
Source record: 180160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

M Johnson (silversq@ix.netcom.com) wrote:
: >
: > Digital pentrates better,
:
: Yep! And guess what? CW is digital. It is a simple reliable digital
: protocol. It can get through when other digital protocols can't.

I would disagree. The modern digital techniques will work where the
signal is "in the noise" - or even below the noise "floor".

It could probably be done with CW, but it isn't worth the bother. CW is
too slow.

: > and even Morse can be better sent by machine
: > than by people, thus even the uses for morse dont seem to justify
: > learning it by hand.
:
: Not really, current use of rtty, packet, and gtor takes a much better signal
: to noise ratio get through than CW does. In packet modes with error
: correction the throughput can be almost zero because of repeat packets. A
: good cw operator can often copy through the noise and fill in lost
: characters. The human brain is still the best filter of noise and
: interference in weak signal conditions.

See above.

And, yes - I am in favor of retaining some sort of CW testing, even if it
is only at 5 wpm.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

2869. Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net
Message-ID: <34d77c1b.42714770@news.cyberhighway.net>
Source record: 180161

"blueis" <blueis@sprintmail.com> wrote:

>I'm not yet a "vet" of this NG. Only been "readin' the acid" for about a
>month now. But I AM impressed!
>
>I see two forces here... obviously code vs. no-code. The proponents of

No, there is a third force, which I suspect is in the majority. That
is those of us who are damned sick and tired of seeing the same old
Code/No Code arguments trotted out for the umpteenth time, and who
wish that the squabblers would have the common courtesy to take the
fight to the newsgroup that was specifically created for that purpose.

While we wait for this unlikely event to happen, we aggressively
killfile the worst offenders. This download had 36 messages, for
instance. After the killfile got done with them, there were 12 left,
and about half of THOSE were about code, too.

SHEESH! Take it away, already.

[balance of painfully obvious stuff deleted]

--
glenq@cyberhighway.net
WB7DOW @ KB7CFD.ID.USA.NOAM

http://www.cyberhighway.net/~glenq/

2870. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34D178C4.5B13@sccoast.net>
Source record: 180162

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I have several questions relating to this. The Constitution says that a president can be impeached for "high crimes and misdemeanors." I have listened for the last week as television talk show guests (often lawyers) argued over the meaning of "high crimes and misdemeanors."

They appeared to have great difficulty coming up with a definition. Yet it seems rather obvious to me. A high crime would be something like murder (what we call a felony today). A misdemeanor would be a low, or minor, crime like shoplifting.

So, at least as I read it, what that is saying is that the president can be impeached for ANY crime (felony or misdemeanor). Is this correct? And why would there be so much confusion by the television talk show lawyers?

Taking this a step further, if the president had an affair with Gennifer Flowers (which he admitted to, under oath), and an affair is illegal in Arkansas and Washington, why can't he be impeached? And why isn't he?

In a related argument, a military general was forced to resign after his involvement in an affair ten years ago became known. Clinton supported his resignation, and his resignation, following the Kelly Flinn incident, was cheered by many liberals (expecially liberal women).

Why is Clinton not holding himself to the same standards he held for this general? And why are liberals not in support of Clinton's resignation, especially when they were so supportive of this general's resignation?

Note that I am not taking a position here (either liberal or conservative). I am only asking questions about topics relating to this issue.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2871. Re: Origins of "ham": Request for stories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: newsline@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6as321$gna@sjx-ixn8.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180163

In <34D0B16C.41C67EA6@carcs3.wustl.edu> "Gary R. Hoffman"
<gary@carcs3.wustl.edu> writes:
>
>Yes, this is the same question that gets posted every few weeks.
>This time, however, I am going to take the replies and put
>them on a special page at my Web site. (I am collecting ham
>folklore.)
>
>So, once again please: What are the origins of the term "ham"?
>If you can include your source it would be helpful. All stories
>and their variants (except the patently ridiculous ones) will
>be greatly appreciated.
>
>Gary
>KB0QGE
>gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

Gary,

Here is the simple and factual answer. There are a lot of myths about
the origion of the term "ham" as applied to radio hobbiests, but the
real answer is that nobody alive today has the accurate information.
It has been lost in to antiquity.

de WA6itf / Newsline

2872. Re: How to keep an idiot busy ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34D1AB72.2945@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 180164
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

http://www.mit.edu/people/twm/stupid/Naked.html

Here's one that might keep Masa busy for a while...
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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

2873. Re: 75m on the way out! (CB will follow)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130105101.FAA08816@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180165

In article <01bd2d23$23ff96a0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

>
What a crock or crap, Jeff ... contesting trains for aggressiveness
>and
competitiveness with a "stomp 'em into the dust by brute force"
>mentality.

That is NOT effective training for providing emergency
>communications,
where discipline and the ability to "back off," listen, and
>behave,
rather than trying to dominate can be far more valuable than any of
>the
contester's "skills."

This is true to an extent, but not with the low-power divisions. When you only have a hundred watts, you don't do much stomping. The low pwer high scorers do a lot more listening and pounce at the right time, when their sig can be heard. As for the kilowatt+ stations that operate full tilt boogie, I am inclined generally to agree with you to an extent. Even on CW, what I hear sometimes is ridiculous. 50 stations come up at once when a coveted station signs off, all within a 15 Hz slice of the pie.

It is true that not all contesters will do public service, especially on weekends, (HI HI) but the ones that do are equipped to do the job, that's for sure. It would be nice, though, if all contests were called off during ANY major emergency, not just when a communications emergency is declared by the Commission. What you described during the hurricane is shameful, Carl. We gotta pay our dues sometime even at the expense of neglecting our personal favorite aspects of the hobby.

I don't personally have a fondness for contesting, being more of a casual ragchewer. I would like to see a new protocol... somebody who does not QSL, does not contest, and only wants a good ragchew could sign /RC or something like that when calling CQ, and then the answering station would know not to expect a QSL or even a contest log entry. In fact, I think I'm gonna start doing that, and I don't mind taking the time to explain what it means. There's room for a bit of everything on the bands... contesting, award chasing, fone, no-coders, even no-QSLers.

Meanwhile, as long as the contesters dont bug me on 17 and 30, I think I can coexist even if I don't understand them. Go for it, guys.

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2874. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130105200.FAA08824@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180166

In article <34d14ac6.2033292@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
(Cutie Boy) writes:

>(Moreover,) in commercial industry, 99% of ships now do not use CW as
a
>method of communicating SOS.

Sorry, Masa, It's not that bad yet, even under US flag. I would say something like 70 percent of US flag ships today have given up on CW, including my own. FOC ships almost universally still use CW and will only give it up when they have to. 99%? maybe after 1999. Listen to the WLO traffic list at the top of the hour. Almost all the calls that do not begin with G, K, or W will call shartly thereafter on one of the calling freqs for their traffic depending on time of day/night where the ship is at. AMVER is never sent over INMARSAT because then it is no longer free... it is sent CW or SITOR. WX OBS is mostly CW tfc. most FOCs still use CW for everything.

Note that the change away from CW for routine TFC is not due to the judgement of the R/O,,, it is because the R/Os are being terminated, leaving no RF savvy ops on board. GMDSS allows this if full implementation including shoreside maintainance is in effect onboard.

I can't wait for your well thought out, logical rebuttal. If you want to argue against CW, check out Carl's posts.

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2875. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130105200.FAA20341@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180167

In article <01bd2d1d$e463f720$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

Lots of snips here, folks... this thing is getting pretty long

The point is that requiring anyone to
>take *any* Morse test is a form
of "hazing ritual" since there is no real
>justification for requiring
Morse at all in today's world.

Nobody is required to undergo this "hazing". You hold up modern technology as
the only way to go... VHF and above are even better venues for use of advanced
methods than HF. Could you imagine a 20 meter/40 meter satellite repeater?
EME? A lot of exciting things are hapenning in the high bands, and there is no
need to use HF if the code is a burden.

> What good does
>it do to have a throughput of a kilobaud if I can only type
> about 35 WPM?
>Computer-assisted digital modes are indeed superior for
handling
> messages,
>but the extra throughput is waaaay overkill for casual ragchewing.
>
>Bandwidth is the benchmark for that

READ MY LIPS ... it doesn't matter how
>fast (or slow) you can type ...
the ability to transmit data in rapid bursts
>leaves the channel free for
others to use during the "dead times" ... thus,
>the "I can't type that
fast" argument is lame.

Again, now we are requiring the use of a computer. If nothing else, for
collision prevention and recovery, error correction, automatic power level
adjustment, etc fur the optimum use you suggest.

> Not all of us have computers... all of us hams, that
>is.

You apparently do ... so does everyone else here on the net ...
or
>have you figured out how to key today's modem standards by
hand and copy them
>by ear???

Yes. I apparently do. Probably half of all hams don't. I would rather require a hand-sendable, ear-decodable mode than require the purchase and use of a computer. It would suck carrying a computer around for communication on, say, a backpacking expedition, even if it were a notebook, when a Wes Hayward style cigarette pack size HF transciever by itself could run off hat-mounted solar cells and weigh less than a half pound. Mobile, portable, etc long haul comms shouldn't need a computer.

> Get over the hang=up of "copying by ear" ... it's most
>
>>inefficient.
>
> Doesn't seem inefficient to me. I hear and I understand,
>as long as the
other
> op stays below 30 and sends decent code.

Most of us are issued ears at birth, and we may as well use them.

But the same
>bandwidth could support MANY more users if more efficient
modes (in terms of
>spectral use vs. time) were used ...

Yes, compared to SSB, certainly. Even RTTY, which I happen to like because I like the relaxed atmosphere ampng the OT ops.

> > it is not spectrum-hungry,
>
>
>It is clearly not the most
> >spectrally efficient mode available.
> (The
>only VALID metric for spectral
> >efficiency is bits/sec/Hz,
> not just raw
>bandwidth ... and remember that if we
> >slow better
> digital modes
>WAAAAAYYYYY DOWWWWN to Morse thruput rates,
> >they'll
> take less bandwidth
>than Morse, too.)
>
> Say WHAT? how do you figure less bandwidth? There are
>at least two distinct
> tones used, no matter how narrow the shift, so while
>it can indeed approach
CW
> in narrowness of bandwidth, I can't see for the
>life of me how it could
surpass
> it.

I will refer you to Deja News for one
>of Gary Coffman's EXCELLENT posts on
this ... or you might find one of mine,
>too ... we have both proposed credible
systems that could handle tens of
>thousands of simultaneous, non-interfering
20 wpm CW equivalent QSOs in the
>space of just the 20m CW/digital subband.
Gary also has posted excellent
>explanations of how (at equivalent data rates)
even simple FSK/MSK would
>consume less bandwidth than OOK Morse and provide
significantly better weak
>signal performance ...
(This is true, despite the Morse Myths that you've
>been brainwashed with all
these years ...)

I agree that FSK under rough conditions and with weak signals could be easier
to copy than straight OOK CW. But we are then back to two separate tones.

> > and it encourages
> >
>
>>homebrewing requiring only simple designs.
>
>
> Adding a 15-20 cent
>varactor is
> >NOT a BFD in terms of complexity.
> This argument for OOK
>Morse has long-since
> >worn out ...
>
> As a matter of fact, on the
>simplest of CW QRP transmitters, you will be
nearly
> doubling the parts
>count, and requiring interfacing to a computer.

Not necessarily ... at the
>same data rates that are used for OOK Morse, one
could easily hand key and
>copy by ear FSK ... the old spark rigs actually
pulled the frequency rather
>than "making and breaking the arc" ... using
a better (uniform) code than
>Morse would also make decoding easier either
for man or machine ... though
>machines can clearly do much better than
humans can, particularly in marginal
>conditions (IF good codes are used,

that is, but Morse is NOT a "good" code
>because of its non-uniform nature.)
There is also reportedly (though I have
>not personally seen it, since I am
not interested in "by ear" decoding
>methods) a body of evidence that humans
can more easily detect tonal shifts
>(FSK) in a noisy environment than the
OOK amplitude keying of OOK Morse
>...

Again, your last statement is pretty much true. I think I read something somewhere about FSK morse. sounds good to me cuz nothing is ambiguous... i.e. a lack of signal could not be mistaken for a space if one of two tones is required to be present at all times. And again, you are back to using more bandwidth than CW. due to having at least two distinct tones.

Again, you have obviously been mislead by the constant stream of Morse
>Myth
dogma that flies in the face of engineering facts.

> Believe me, there
>are no ccomputers in dumpsters down here in the valley.

Check the dumpsters
>in a better neighborhood???

I'll tell you what, Carl. Come on down and find a dumpstered computer anywhere in the valley. I'll buy it from you.

> > If it weren't for CW, I would never have
>
>>become a ham. Couldn't have
> afforded
> > it.
>
> Learn to scrounge
>better and
> >upgrade your station to this century's level
> of technology
>... you might even
> >learn some things in the process (and that's
> the
>primary purpose of ham
> >radio).
>
> As a matter of fact, almost everything
>I have ever built has been largely
with
> scrounged materials. I learn
>something even if I'm just building a new key
or

> troubleshooting a power
>supply. My technology IS this century's technology.
> What century do you
>think CW was invented?

Morse code was invented in the 1840s ...

CW wasn't

> I am
>not prejudiced against ANY mode. I have a computer, and I have worked
>
>several digital and a couple of image modes. I enjoy it, too, but I really
>
>like CW.

Great ... more power to you (seriously, not being sarcastic ...) I
>have NO
problem with anyone who WANTS to use Morse using it now or forever
>(despite
MD's lies and allegations to the contrary) ... Just please don't
>insist on
forcing it on everyone else solely because YOU like it ...

> You,
>on the other hand, seem to have a manic hatred for CW. instead
> of looking
>for common ground, you zero in on CW as a divisive issue.

I don't hate
>Morse as a mode and don't wish to preclude anyone from using
it if they
>voluntarily choose to ... I hate forced Morse testing as an
artificial an
>unjustified barrier to entry to HF for otherwise totally
qualified people ...
>I've worked with hundreds over my 25+ year career
as an RF engineer ...
>Morse testing IS a divisive issue ... I didn't
make it that way, it just IS
>that way. It's been that way for the nearly
25 years that I've been a
>licensed ham ... It will continue to be that way
until it goes away or the
>ARS is killed by the FCC/Congress for acute
stagnation and refusal to accept
>new ways and modernize ...

Nobody is forcing Morse on anybody.

> By the way, the varactor for FSK is a pretty
>neat way to go, I'll give you
> that. I have often mulled the same idea over

>but haven't actually tried it
yet.
> But for a first project, I would still
>recommend a simple crystal controlled
> single stage transmitter with minimal
>parts count, using discrete components
> for clarity. I'm afraid that still
>means CW.
>
> If you think of any potential pitfals with the varactor FSK
>thing, which I
> assume you have used, fire me an e-mail if it is convenient.
>I don't
remember
> ever seeing anything published on this. Actually, a
>complete project article
> would probably go good in QST.

The varactor can
>be used to pull your rock for FSK ... and as I said before
you can key it by
>hand and copy the tone shift by ear at OOK Morse-like rates.

You could even
>learn to copy Baudot and/or ASCII by ear at those rates, though
as I've said,
>machines can do it much better ...

Well, Baudot might be slightly more painful to learn, since every character would be 5 bits. Not so many easy ones. I think morse is still ideal for ear copy even if FSK is used. Nevertheless, I can tell when RYRYRYRY or CQ CQ CQ etc are sent at 45 Baud RTTY. The sounds are indeed ear-discernable even if not easily decodable.

Good arguments, Carl. You reason pretty well and you obviously know your stuff. You still haven't convinced me, though. Nevertheless you have earned my respect.

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2876. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34D1B06E.6E11@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 180168
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> Some additional comments about CW:

> ... No real life conversation

Masa commenting on real life communication.
I think that belongs in the humor NG.

- Lumpy

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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

2877. Re: If I were in charge.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Lumpy - AB&#65533;GD <lumpy@digitalcartography.com>
Message-ID: <34D1AD83.7BFC@digitalcartography.com>
Source record: 180169
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> Quote of the century:
> "... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
> it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

Lumpy writes:

"... there was no Masa 200 years ago...
[author suggests making up your own ending]

- Lumpy ...;-]
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40.57124N Lat - 105.1056W Lon
The Very Unofficial Colorado APRS Page
http://www.digitalcartography.com/aprs.htm

2878. Re: Best non-Japanese tube HF transceiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: hoff@america.com
Message-ID: <6asefm$25i$1@defiant.america.com>
Source record: 180170

Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no> wrote:

>Following a discussion with a friend about what was the best "classic"
>tube transceiver ever made of non Japanese origin, we did not agree.
>Anyone got a view on the subject?
>Regards
>Olav Tveiten, Norway

It's hard to beat the good old Collins KWM-2

Conrad W8MHH hoff@america.com

2879. Re: Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202, HTX-242 and etc.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tech Guy <nospam@sprint.com>
Message-ID: <6asf1n$cn1$1@newsfep1.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 180171
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

As a matter of fact you can advise her that she is doing so and notify
her that she is violating a subpart of Part 15 FCC rules for consumer
electronics. (shall not cause interference...)

Harmonics are the fault of the transmitter and if there have been any
modifications made to the unit (even a cheapy consumer item) you can
cause some problems for the service shop that screwed up her cordless.
Please be careful to use diplomacy, these regs have bred some real
"Hatfields & McCoys"

Tech Guy
/\/\/\/\/\/\/\/\

David Richardson wrote in message
<885812311.799654@karri.southwest.com.au>...
:"K.Klevesahl" <slipbit@spnt.com> wrote:
:
:>Cutie Boy wrote:
:>>
:>> Please help. I am getting cordless on 147.060 with HTX-202,
HTX-242
:>> and Pro-26. Pro-2045 receives a little bit, but not much.
:>>
:>> Should I complain about this to my neighbour ? Should she stop
:>> using it ?
:>>
:>> It's getting crazy when I scan for the repeater and suddenly I stop
:>> for cordless which I am not interested in listening to.
:>>
:>>

2880. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130131501.IAA15781@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180172

In article <19980130064000.BAA07438@ladder03.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>5 WPM IS INDEED code. Traditionally, that is the speed hams start out at.
>Slow
copy is nothing to be ashamed about. But, there is certainly no reason
>not to
learn at a higher speed... in fact, there are very good reasons why
>you should
learn at even as high as 20 WPM and bypass 5 WPM altogether.

And even better reasons why you should spend your time lobbying for removal of the code requirement, rather than waste several hours of your time learning an antiquated and basically useless skill.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2881. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130131501.IAA27339@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180173

In article <34D178C4.5B13@sccoast.net>, Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
writes:

> Why is Clinton not holding himself to the same standards he held for
this
>general? And why are liberals not in support of Clinton's
resignation,
>especially when they were so supportive of this general's
resignation?

Why do ALL liberal, do-gooder politicians hold the citizens whom they supposively "represent" to higher standards than themselves. Why do they impose endless regulations, statutes, unfunded mandates, etc., on the electorate...and then routinely exempt themselves from these same laws?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2882. Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130131500.IAA15786@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180174

In article <34d77c1b.42714770@news.cyberhighway.net>,
glenq@NOSPAMcyberhighway.net (Glen Quarnstrom) writes:

>No, there is a third force, which I suspect is in the majority. That
is
>those of us who are damned sick and tired of seeing the same old
Code/No Code
>arguments trotted out for the umpteenth time, and who
wish that the
>squabblers would have the common courtesy to take the
fight to the newsgroup
>that was specifically created for that purpose.

In other words, they wish the issue to be "buried" and neatly tucked away from public view on a much less-trafficked newsgroup. They hope it will go away. Guess what? Ain't going to happen. We're here until the code requirement is removed...either by the FCC, an act of Congress, or by a court decision. My guess is that the latter will be the eventual method by which this irrelevant barrier to obtaining a government license to use public radio frequencies is ultimately removed.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2883. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: richm@mulveyr.roc.servtech.com
Message-ID: <slrn6d3k0i.1k1.richm@ll.aa2ys.ampr.org>
Source record: 180175
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 23:32:15 -0800, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote:
>Cutie Boy wrote:
>>
>> Unfortunately, CW emergency communcation is rarely used (if
>> you know one, please give us the example).
>> Many of amateur emergency communications are handled locally such as
>> the use of 2m repeater OR else VOICE HF.
>> (Moreover,) in commercial industry, 99% of ships now do not use CW as
>> a method of communicating SOS.
>>
>
>I hate to burst your bubble little Boy, but the majority of
>NTS traffic is handeled via CW!
>

Since when is all NTS traffic emergency communications?

- Rich

2884. Re: 29MHz AM.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Don Ward <don@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <khaoFBAlka00EwuY@kay-dee.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 180176

In article <6aplce$kc7$1@studium.student.umu.se>, Anders Janis
<94adj@mail.ryp.umu.se> writes
>Anyone run any AM on 28-29MHz. Is there any calling frequensy or channels?
>
>/SM4RNA
>
>
I recall when 10 was last at its peak AM was being used between 29.0 and
29.400 or there abouts. I would also be interested to hear of if any
channels have been adopted.

hej hej
--
Don Ward G0MDO

2885. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D19206.2878@idoj.com>
Source record: 180177
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > >
> > > Not a topic I want to get started on this group but I can't help but think
> > of
> > > how shallow someone's life must be without History and Literature.
> > >
> >
> > For those people who WORK for a living, it is of no use.
>
> That's strange. In the 35 years I have been working I have found that the
> most successful people were the ones who had an expanded education with a wide
> view and range rather than one based on tunnel vision. How sad to have to
> miss so much in one's life.
>
> If the only things that you should learn about are those related to your work
> why are you interested in ham radio?
>

You should have the "wide view and range" you speak about, so that you
would not come to the conclusion that I was only interested in things
related to work. This was the point I was trying to make! If the
teachers wouldn't have wasted your time with History and Literature, but
rather on how to read and comprehend things properly, you would not have
come to the ridiculous conclusion that you did.

2886. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D1934E.493C@idoj.com>
Source record: 180178
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > It would sure suck to have
> > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > to talk letter by letter in code!!
>
> How Big of you to have just insulted the thousands of people who have to
> use tty on the phone to communicate. But I guess we should not have expected
> you to know that with your tunnel vision education.
>

How did I insult them?! Probably the same way YOU are insulting all
those people who don't have computers, by posting to a newsgroup!!

You should worry about getting a BASIC education with English
Comprehension, as your "well rounded" education of worthless info did
nothing for you to understand the point that was being made!

Thanks for proving my point!!

2887. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D19547.2FB2@idoj.com>
Source record: 180179
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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Richard Carroll wrote:
>
> >
> > Charlie wrote:
> > > IMO, CHANGE is something that is total anathema to the elitists populating the
> > > pro-code-test crowd. Why? IMNSHO, the pro-code-test crowd bases and places
> > > much, if not all, of the credit for their initial as well as continuing
> > > existence in the test. Additionally, it seems that many of those who demand
> > > retention of the test are fundamental traditionalists who have "always done it
> > > this/that way," who cannot tolerate change -- even when it is for betterment and
> > > the benefit of all in Amateur Radio.
>
> Charlie, all that makes good reading if one holds the preconceptions
> that "avoidance of change" is the force driving the pro-code established
> group.
> Unfortunatley for your story, it is based on whim and not fact.
> The "change" you have in mind is the elimination of code in ham
> radio--yes I know you are saying "no, only the test". But eliminate the
> test and eliminate the code.

That is not true, you can use morse code all you want, test or NO test!
We aren't required to perform a Packet test to get our license, and
Packet hasn't been eliminated from the bands! Where do you people come
up with these wild ideas?
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2888. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D195FA.7AFC@idoj.com>
Source record: 180180
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

alcue wrote:
>
> Take this crap to rec.radio.amateur.misc, you idiots.
> Remove "x" in reply-to address to reach me.

You call people idiots, and then tell them how to reach you??
Why would they want to reach you after that??

2889. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D19787.524B@idoj.com>
Source record: 180181
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

M Johnson wrote:
>
> Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> > Isn't this the same about memorizing morse code?! What is your point?
> > At least memorizing the technical stuff will be USEFULL later.
>
> There is a lot of memorization done to first learn the code as in a lot of
> things we learn. But at least after you do this you will be able to do
> something useful with the knowledge such as receive a message sent in CW.
>
> Please tell me how memorizing the correct answer on a question solving the
> phase angle of a series XC, XL, R circuit is going to help you later when you
> need to find the phase angle for another series circuit. Memorizing the
> answer does not require you to know anything about the formulas used or the
> theory involved.
>

First of all, to take the code test, it is ALSO a multiple choice test
where you only have to recognize three letters to find out which A, B,
C, or D message it is..

And second of all, the Technical information is of use to ALL Hams,
whereas Morse Code is only of use to those who wish to use it for
nostalgia.

2890. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D19837.4148@idoj.com>
Source record: 180182
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> Mark Morgan wrote:
>
> > More or a higher proportion I note that you say CB is wrose than 2M
> > proof that CW is needed to produce a better operator
> >

Neither CB or 2 Meters requires Morse Code knowledge, so explain how
this proves ANYTHING about CW producing a better operator?!

2891. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D1DE06.37F4@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180183
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Charlie wrote:
>
> On Tue, 27 Jan 1998 14:59:02 -0700, W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com> posted:
>
> >My measured IQ in high school was not anywhere near the MENSA level.
> >
> >Then I went off to college and gave up CW for a number of years. My
> >IQ zoomed upward by about 40 points during my college years.
> >
> >73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)
>
> Perhaps there is a message of wisdom in all this, eh, Cecil? =0)
>
Puleezee, Cecil, give him another.....Charlie could benefit from a great
number of messages of wisdom...

2892. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <w6rca@ibm.net>
Message-ID: <34D1E280.7012@ibm.net>
Source record: 180184
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

DoD COMM wrote:
> You people are missing the point...
> If you don't like the requirements to obtain a
> Amateur Radio license, pick another hobby!

You people are missing the point. If you don't like the requirements to obtain an Amateur Radio License, change the requirements. That's what people do in a free country. The requirements to vote once were white, male, and property owner. Do you think that shouldn't have been changed?

73, Cecil, W6RCA

2893. useful information

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: happy150@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980130143401.JAA03795@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180185

Hello everyone. I have a web page that has some useful information about ham radio as well as other links.
http://members.aol.com/happy150
Have fun,
happy150@aol.com

2894. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-30 00:00:00 UTC
From: Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
Message-ID: <34D1E1FD.2C45@scan.missouri.org>
Source record: 180186
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> > Dr. Bellows wrote:
> >
> > > It would sure suck to have
> > > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > > to talk letter by letter in code!!

Sure would--unless you were stuck in a blizzard at a phone booth, the only sign of civilization in view, and some vandal had removed the phone booth's mike cartridge. Then it might be helpful indeed, you could just dial up the ARRL HQ and send your message of desperation in code!

Don't bother to call Carl or Lennie or Charlie, they would be of no help at all.

Dick W0EX

2895. Transceiver HELP!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: hdb66c@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131220700.RAA07844@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179887

I have a Kenwood HF TS-180 Transceiver. I was wondering if I could make it into a real good CB. Is this possible? I would be very helpful for the assistance. I am just a beginner.

2896. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b06nn$27k$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179888

In article <01bd2e87$d6506ea0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>That is ABSURD, Mike ... modern VLSI devices present entire building blocks
>that can EASILY be used to implement systems far more complex and capable than
>could have been done by the home-builder with the technology of 20 years ago

If, and only if, you have the necessary reference library to go along with
them. Buddies of mine have entire "reference libraries" at work, on thousands
of pieces of fiche (and now luckily CDROM) which allow them to cross-
reference all these components. Engineering companies hire librarians now
to keep track of all the reference material pouring in.

>And for a hundred bucks you can have a complete suite of VHDL tools, including
>design entry, design compiler, functional and timing simulators, synthesis,
>programming tools, and the in-circuit programming cable to create your own
>ICs with 10s of thousands of gates in them ... at home, with your PC ...

Okay, Carl, I'll bite: Educate me. Why not write an article for QST on
how to build your own "at home engineering lab for under $500"? I would
actually read it.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2897. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b06fq$26r$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179889

CB Bimbo (Drew AKA 'Spew' Durigan) writes:

>Raw NUMBERS, yes. But numbers of licensed amateurs...particularly no-code
>Technicians, have been increasing much faster. Result: the percentage of
>licensed amateurs who are affiliated with the ARRL is now at an all-time low.

With the 10 year license expiration program in place, and higher-class
licenses only starting to expire and roll out of the database this year,
it is pointless to draw any meaningful long-term statistics of this nature.

The codeless tech license saw a brief period of rapid growth, from its
inception in 1991 until the mid 1996 timeframe. After that period, the
number of hams entering that route started to level off, the license
class having already attracted the bulk of people waiting for a codeless
VHF license.

However, because the tech licenses are not scheduled to start expiring
until 2/2001, and will not start rolling out of the FCC database until
2/2003, drawing conclusions about percentages and relative numbers is
really pointless. Not until 2013, after the entire pool of tech operators
has gone through one cycle of expirations, can you really draw any
meaningful conclusions about the numbers, and their impact on other
statistics like the number of ARRL members.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2898. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131230001.SAA15644@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179890

In article <19980131201701.PAA21284@ladder02.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

> So Drew RAMBUTT how many times have you been Fired Lately, our you >still
getting Chased off School Grounds

Come on, O' Illiterate One. Come up with some original material, instead of simply parroting what you have heard from others on this newsgroup.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2899. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131230001.SAA27028@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179891

In article <34D37976.A1EE3EDF@flash.net>, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> writes:

>> In most modern rigs, all that is needed is a small soldering iron, a
>steady
> pair of hands, and knowledge about the capabilities of the radio's
>particular
> PLL chip.
>
> Happy, Jeffy?

Nice try Rambo but there is a
>little more than just knowing the radios PLL chip.
After that I suppose you
>just tweak everything for max out eh? Actually I
converted one and knew
>nothing of the rigs PLL chip so try agian.

Well, I can only speak from my own personal experiences. Some radios are more difficult than others. Oh yeah...it goes without saying that you should also retune the radio's circuits for 28Mhz.

Okay, Jeffy. Your turn now. How do YOU do it. I want to hear how a real professional converts a radio. I'm taking notes...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2900. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131230100.SAA15647@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179892

In article <19980131201900.PAA21671@ladder02.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>Who would belive anything a Rejected Disc Jockey would say

Or a discredited amateur radio operator who cannot correctly compose a single sentence.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2901. "Home Amateur Mechanic"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary <gary@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Message-ID: <34D3999D.91260AEB@carcs3.wustl.edu>
Source record: 179893

One of the favorite stories about where the term "ham" came from is that publisher
Hugo Gernsback put out a magazine called "Home Amateur Mechanic". I read through
Clinton B. DeSoto's "Two Hundred Meters and Down" and found mention of Gernsback
and a magazine of his which published technical information on how to build radios, but
it was called "Modern Electrics". I'm sure he could have published more than one magazine
on the subject, but does anyone own or has anyone actually seen a copy of
"Home Amateur Mechanic"?

Thanks.

Gary Hoffman
KB0QGE
gary@carcs3.wustl.edu

2902. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kc5egg@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <6b0a61$9u9@sjx-ixn2.ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 179894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

In <6ati17$7du$1@uranium.btinternet.com> "Reg Edwards"
<G4fgq.Regp@btinternet.com> writes:
>
>What a peculiar way to go.
>
>I always thought he was killed in an air crash. But it was a
>Russian aircraft.

I had heard that also but it was during the time of propaganda and well
before the time of glasnoss so what I was told in Moscow last fall may
be closer to the truth. I will try and find a more informed source
during my next visit. The hotel we tend to use is right across the
street from his alma matter perhaps they know.

Jerry

>
>Reg E.
>==
>>As a side note poor Yuri is now buried in the Kremlin wall after
>>succuming to the wonderful Russian medical system. He died while
>>undergoing a hemroid operation.
>
>
>

2903. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3ACD2.DFBB7962@flash.net>
Source record: 179895
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:48:12 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
> >> yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
> >> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.
>
> >Well my son, kc8gub, was licensed at 15 he made plenty of contacts on CW
>
> with whom ? 60 year old fog sitting alone in ham shack on 30m ??
>
> I am sorry, but we [young bees] aren't interested in making such
> contacts.

Look Cutie boy, you proposed the offer and I responded. What I expected was a schedule on CW to work my son, instead you toss out more spam. You might do well to have a few QSO's with the 'old fog' my experience has been that most people with 30 or 40 years on me have one or two things to share. You on the otherhand seem to know an alot about making CW contacts even thought to date you haven't told us if you yourself have ever made one.

Tim, ka8ddz

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2904. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d3b47f.10302988@news.total.net>
Source record: 179896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 17:59:30 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>know an alot about making CW contacts even thought to date you haven't told us if
>you yourself have ever made one.

hi. are you trying to "force" me to make CW contacts ?

I guess there is a problem here.

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2905. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3B1F0.2748CA0C@flash.net>
Source record: 179897
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Cutie Boy wrote:

> hi.
>
> we don't care nor interested in how the CW works.
>
> we use digital. we don't like analog and i don't know why we have
> to be forced with analog.

Well Cutie boy, are you now saying that you don't like voice modes, I had no idea anyone was forced to use analog modes for communication. Perhaps you could enlighten us with what modes you consider 'analog' and where it's written that your forced to use them.. I'm sure your definition will be somewhere just left of the Orion nebula but I'd still like to hear it.

> some say casette tape recording system is better for computer instead
> of floppy disk. we just don't care. you look silly if you try to
> force this obselete method.

Is a casette tape analog for music and digital for computer? ROTFLOL

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2906. Re: No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3B58A.99E83FCD@flash.net>
Source record: 179898

CBRambo wrote:

Neither have I. I hold a valid amateur license and have passed the code test.

> Like you, I would not let that stop me from obtaining a license. But I would
> also work to remove the irrelevant and unnecessary portion of the test for the
> benefit of future applicants. This is contrary to most of the old, white men
> in the pro-code camp who stubbornly insist that "I had to learn it, so you do,
> too." Never mind the fact that it is no longer relevant to communications in
> 1998 or that it is turning away badly-needed would-be newcomers to the hobby.

Rambo, please don't give the old, white men, all the credit, I'm only 35 and I'm tired of the old white men, aka old fartz, old foggies, getting all the credit for insisting "I had to learn it, so you do too". By the way, since you claim to have given up your amateur operations why would you care about newcomers to the hobby, your not talking to them anyway.

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2907. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2ea4$43380160$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 179899

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6b06nn$27k$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <01bd2e87$d6506ea0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
> Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:
>
> >That is ABSURD, Mike ... modern VLSI devices present entire building blocks
> >that can EASILY be used to implement systems far more complex and capable
than
> >could have been done by the home-builder with the technology of 20 years ago
>
> If, and only if, you have the necessary reference library to go along with
> them.

What the HELL are you talking about ... the packages I'm talking about come
with tutorials and complete documentation on CDROM ... no "reference library"
required ...

> Buddies of mine have entire "reference libraries" at work, on thousands
> of pieces of fiche (and now luckily CDROM) which allow them to cross-
> reference all these components.

What sort of "cross-referencing" do you *think* is necessary??? I am talking
about CPLDs/FPGAs ... which are a "blank sheet of paper" ... you use the design
tools to design and simulate your desired functionality, then compile it with
the tools provided into a file that is used to program the device so it behaves
according to your desires ...

> >And for a hundred bucks you can have a complete suite of VHDL tools,
including
> >design entry, design compiler, functional and timing simulators, synthesis,
> >programming tools, and the in-circuit programming cable to create your own
> >ICs with 10s of thousands of gates in them ... at home, with your PC ...
>
> Okay, Carl, I'll bite: Educate me.

I have reached the conclusion that that is an impossible task for anyone ...

> Why not write an article for QST on
> how to build your own "at home engineering lab for under $500"?

QST would likely not publish anything that I would consider worth
writing, labeling it as "too technical" and shuffling it of to the
(intermittently published) QEX ...

> I would actually read it.

I've made clear, concise, factual statements here and you either
can't understand them or simply refuse to accept them because I'm
the source ... either way, why should I waste my time on you when
I don't even LIKE you?

> MD
> --
> -- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
> -- with my guns.

Again, Mike, do ham radio and the world in general a favor and go
camp out in Ted's driveway in a black sleeping bag ...

--
Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net
NCI #1052
Join No Code International!
Support the modernization of ham radio and
help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

2908. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D3DF06.2B56@nb.net>
Source record: 179900
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:48:12 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
> >> yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
> >> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.
>
> >Well my son, kc8gub, was licensed at 15 he made plenty of contacts on CW
>
> with whom ? 60 year old fog sitting alone in ham shack on 30m ??
^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
>
> I am sorry, but we [young bees] aren't interested in making such
> contacts.
>

Well, I don't know what a 60 year old fog is but I love 30 meters
and have had lots of QSO's with both male & female CW operators in
their teens. Being a "young" operator, I average 100 QSO's/month
and the age of my contacts has been from 8 to 99 years. CW is NOT
a mode mostly used by old timers and anyone the thinks it is otherwise
hasen't the faintest idea of what is going on.

Walt.
CW FOREVER!

2909. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3BD29.E0E35BC1@flash.net>
Source record: 179901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 17:59:30 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
> >know an alot about making CW contacts even thought to date you haven't told us if
> >you yourself have ever made one.
>
> hi. are you trying to "force" me to make CW contacts ?
>
> I guess there is a problem here.

Yea the problem is you cant follow your own thread, you said:

> >> If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
> >> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.

Your the one who made the offer. Hellooo...

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2910. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3C06E.310F7CA4@flash.net>
Source record: 179902

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <6avkdn$1hf$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
> kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:
>
> >>>The ARRL simply protects the interests of hams like me who
> >>believe the code requirement serves a useful purpose.
>
> >Which is exactly why their
> >membership numbers keep declining.
>
> Err, ARRL membership figures have
> >consistantly been on the INCREASE.
>
> Raw NUMBERS, yes. But numbers of licensed amateurs...particularly no-code
> Technicians, have been increasing much faster. Result: the percentage of
> licensed amateurs who are affiliated with the ARRL is now at an all-time low.

Raw numbers Rambo? as opposed to what? Pre-cooked, pasteurized numbers? Your last argument makes no sense what so ever "percentage of licensed amateurs who are affiliated with the ARRL is now at an all-time low"? If your a member are you not affiliated? Are you under some delusion that no-code Techs are not joining the league?

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2911. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D3C7FD.72BB@concentric.net>
Source record: 179903
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Anyone who can hold a CW contact knows there are plenty of young hams on
the CW bands. You said it Bub, anyone who thinks CW is populated with
"old foggers" doesn't have the faintest idea of whats going on. This is
a fact that is easy to verify...provided one can tune in and copy a CW
QSO.

73s de KI5XW

DoD COMM wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
> >
> > On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:48:12 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
> >
> > >> yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
> > >> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.
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> > >Well my son, kc8gub, was licensed at 15 he made plenty of contacts on CW
> >
> > with whom ? 60 year old fog sitting alone in ham shack on 30m ??
> ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
> >
> > I am sorry, but we [young bees] aren't interested in making such
> > contacts.
> >
>
> Well, I don't know what a 60 year old fog is but I love 30 meters
> and have had lots of QSO's with both male & female CW operators in
> their teens. Being a "young" operator, I average 100 QSO's/month
> and the age of my contacts has been from 8 to 99 years. CW is NOT
> a mode mostly used by old timers and anyone the thinks it is otherwise
> hasen't the faintest idea of what is going on.
>
> Walt.
> CW FOREVER!

2912. Re: Morse Code (CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D3C8E5.20D3@concentric.net>
Source record: 179904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Too bad for you that you weren't in Japan during WW II. I guess you'd
either be beheaded, fried, or would have learned the code long ago.

I wonder what part CW played in winning that one eh.

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 16:09:47 -0500, _chip_@ct2.nai.net (Chip) wrote:
>
> >I find it interesting the hot debate on CW or no-CW. I think everyone is
> >getting worked up over nothing. It's simple. The law requires CW for
> >certain license levels. If you don't like, or don't believe in, CW then you
> >have one choice of license class. It's that simple.
>
> that's why we are trying to change it.
>
> in 50s, many countries were having wars and the law required you to go
> for war.
>
> If you don't like, or don't believe in war then you had only one
> chance. Die... or at least go to jail.
> It was right to have wars and it was right... everything what the
> government said was right. Think of Japanese and German totalitalism.
> If I was in Japan at that time and refused to go for the war, they
> took my head off. It was right and everything was right... you
> were required and you were supposed to.
>
> I am sure you will happy to live under the kinda totalitalian
> government. The law says so, so you have to do so.
>
> ____
> Joli Garï¿½on (ï¿½galement connu comme M@S@)
> Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
> ï¿½tudient @ Informatique et Mathï¿½matiques d'Universitï¿½ McGill
> Montrï¿½al, Quï¿½bec, Canada
> Cï¿½: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
> URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
> http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
> http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universitï¿½ McGill)
>
> Visit this excellent site
> why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
> http://www.nocode.org
> License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

> _____
> ***Enlevez l' " .ham " pour rï¿½pondre.***
> ***Please remove "ham" to reply.***
>
> ATTENTION: Je n'achï¿½terai pas ou rï¿½ponse aucun produit des Cï¿½S non sollicitï¿½s!!

2913. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34D3C670.D74@sccoast.net>
Source record: 179905
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

> M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com> wrote...
>
> I think Michael has a valid point. We really don't have any idea
> how many of the no-codes will remain active and renew. <snip>

REPLY...

With the wonderful, open-minded, way we were received by the other higher license class holders, it will be a miracle if any of us renew.

I have never felt as unwelcomed, by any group I have ever joined, as I have felt since receiving my Technician class license.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2914. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34D3A4DD.20E9@sccoast.net>
Source record: 179906
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

> mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) wrote...
>
> <snip> It just so happens that there are more of these considerate,
> respectful types on CW.

REPLY...

With CW, its pretty hard not to be. It is rather difficult to carry on a heated debate using the incredibly slow CW mode. Instead, you're left with short conversations, with little real exchange of information.

With voice, I can communicate in 5 minutes what would take you a couple of hours to communicate with CW (20wpm? I can say 20 words in five seconds). Not only that, but I can better communicate the meaning of my words with the tone of my voice (a raised voice for anger, a low voice for sadness, etc.). Those concepts are very difficult to communicate with CW.

Using voice is the most natural means of conversation. It is what we humans do. We stopped banging on rocks as a means of communications thousands of years ago, shortly after we learned to use our voice. Perhaps amateur radio will eventually advance far enough for operators to stop banging on a "key" as a means of communications.

In the meantime, at least we can drop the morse code test so that the other operators, who have advanced beyond banging on rocks, can fully enjoy the entire amateur radio service.

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2915. Re: No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34D3AD46.2A36@sccoast.net>
Source record: 179907
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> kd5bcu@qsl.net wrote...
>
> If an 8 YEAR OLD can learn that much code, anyone should be able to do
> it. Read the rest of the article. I think you'll find it VERY
> interesting.

REPLY...

An 8 year old could pass a driving test. But that does not mean they are qualified, of capable, of safely driving a car. In other words, they would not be a "real" driver.

Yet, we have CW users who suggest that all one has to do to become a "real" ham is learn CW (something an 8 year old can do).

This debate is not about the ability to learn CW, it is about the necessity of learning code to be an amateur radio operator. In all the arguments in support of CW, none have convinced me of the need for CW testing.

In fact, most of the arguments in support of code could just as easily be applied to a driving test. Perhaps we should have a CW testing requirement for the driving test (this would keep the "scum" off the highways, just as ligitimately as some argue the CW test keeps the "scum" off the HF bands).

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2916. Re: Myth #3: "No CW, it will become CB"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Dwight Stewart <stewart@sccoast.net>
Message-ID: <34D3C418.25E7@sccoast.net>
Source record: 179908
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

> mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) wrote...
>
> <snip> For many of us, a ham radio license is an earned reward for
> study and practice. And isn't a prerequisite for getting into
> the hobby.
>
> <snip> This effect isn't fully realized yet, of course, because there
> are so many knowledgeable people on VHF that conversations tend
> toward science.

REPLY...

And this is another reason I feel the CW test should be eliminated.

For many people, their license is an important part of their self-image. For these people, a higher license brings higher respect, prestige, status, and self-worth.

To these people, the person holding a lower license is less than they are, often in all regards. You see this in the argument that the lower licensees are a potential root of all evil facing ham radio today, hince we have to do everything to keep "those people" out of the HF bands, at whatever cost.

To some extent, this also explains the attitudes of many hams towards CB operators (CB operators have no license, so they are really low). To promote their own image of higher self-worth, these higher license holders have to resort to putting down everyone else whenever possible.

While I obviously don't agree with these attitudes, I still have to acknowledge the fact that these attitudes exist. Which brings me to the lowly Technician, often viewed as the lowest of all, expecially by the CW crowd.

Many bright, fully-capable, individuals hold that license class. Without the CW barrier, these people could easily advance to the higher license classes. They have the knowledge, skills, and abilities, to perform well, both on the valid theory tests, and on the radio.

The CW test barrier, which many feel is unnecessary, is the only thing keeping these people from earning a higher license class, thus gaining, in the eyes of many in the amateur radio community, the same respect, prestige, status, and self-worth, as the other higher license holders.

Technician class licensees amount to about a quarter of all ham operators. But, because of the CW test barrier, it is a license class

which offers no opportunity for advancement. If one has made up his mind not to study code, the other license classes hold no relevance (they are not something he can achieve).

Perhaps the FCC realised this when they offered so much to this license class (full VHF/UHF priviledges). And, as this license class continues to grow (it is the fastest growing license class), the HF operators will eventually lose most of their status.

Once HF operators become a minority (a real possibility considering the growth of the Technician class), they will quickly find themselves on the short end of the stick. Technological advances will shift to the VHF/UHF bands. Publications will center more on the VHF/UHF bands. In fact, the whole emphasis of ham radio will shift to the VHF/UHF bands.

And perhaps that is the real future of amateur radio. I hope, when all this happens, the HF band users will still consider the CW test requirement worth it. But, by that time, what will it matter (they will be a minority)?

Dwight Stewart (KF4URZ)

2917. FS: lightweight comm headsets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: scottada@freenet.columbus.oh.us
Message-ID: <6b0j3f$e0@login.freenet.columbus.oh.us>
Source record: 179909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I have two dozen Foster lightweight commercial quality communications headsets for sale. The first batch of headsets soldout quickly and I was able to get more but at a slightly higher price (which is still a bargain). Each headset is fully adjustable with one foam padded earpiece/speaker and articulated electret mic. The connecting cable is three feet long with a standard 4-pin mic plug with index notch on the end. Included instruction sheet show 2 interface circuit diagrams for use with Kenwood, Yaesu, Icom and Radioshack radios. $7 each (plus $3 shipping) or 2 for $11 (plus $4 shipping) prepaid. E-mail me with questions or to get my address to send your order.

Thanks,
Scott Adams
scottada@freenet.columbus.oh.us

2918. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b0jua$2h3$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179910

In article <01bd2e86$dffdf5e0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>There are many technical folks with no-code tech licenses that wouldn't
>be hams today were it not for the codeless license ... most of us who
>work in the electronics industry know many ...

I'm sure there are. But, for every one of these folk, there are dozens of non-electronics-industry-employed people. That is the problem with the way the codeless tech license was implemented, and is why I objected to it in the late 80's. I didn't have a problem with creating a license for the technically-literate, but the codeless tech wasn't that license.

>The form that the codeless license took (without HF access) STILL is a
>turn-off to many, since it clearly relegates them to "second-class
>citizen" status ... not to mention the insults and "No-coders aren't
>REAL hams" bigotry that many like you, Larry, Dick, and others spout ...

I don't believe I've made such a comment. However, whenever I hear this argument about the "technical elite" complaining about the codeless tech licensing being a "2nd class" license, I have to sit back and laugh. Having worked with my share of engineering primadonnas, I can just see these geniuses sitting around complaining about the *audacity* of amateur radio not giving them the highest license class immediately just because, well, they are them. How dare the pheasants (that's us) have a 'better' license class than those who sit atop Mount Olympus (that's them).

And, you know what is even funnier? Let's assume for a moment that we create a "codeless Extra" license. What do you think is going to happen when these geniuses get their codeless Extras? Well, a bunch of lids will start ragging on them, just like lids have done with the Novice enhancement licensees and the codeless tech licensees of recent history. So, they will *STILL* be 'second class citizens', as you call them, in the eyes of some.

> ... in fact, if your position here is any indication, you
>were probably at least as obstructionist as the ARRL in trying to keep
>the no-code license from coming into being ...

Of the two codeless tech licenses, I preferred the ARRL's 220mhz+ license.

>If you had open eyes and an open mind, you'd see that no-code techs are
>virtually the only source of growth in ham radio and that without them,
>our numbers would have taken a disastrous slide ...

There is no evidence of this assertion.

>Actually I can't off the top of my head ...

Of course you can't. Because the Codeless Tech license was a lie. Period. The codeless tech license wasn't about getting geniuses into the hobby to technically innovate, it was about getting people into the hobby with no code test so they could yack on the radio. And, likewise, the No-Code Agenda's Codeless HF license isn't about technical innovation on HF -- its all about being able to scream SEEEEE-CUEEEEE DEEEEEE-X into a microphone without taking a code test. Period.

>The no-code license was NOT created for the reasons you claim ... and
>it was not "sold to" incumbent hams ...

Reading the "letters to the editor" and editorials from magazines in the mid-to-late 80's paints an entirely different picture.

>hams were stagnated, code was no longer necessary as a qualification, and
>it was done *despite the objections of the ARRL* ... the ONE, lone time
>that the FCC had the balls to do something because it was right, even if
>the ARRL objected.

In case you've forgotten, the ARRL supported a codeless VHF license in the late 80's.

>Your entire "what's in it for ME" line of thinking relative to no-code
>licensing is shortsighted and narrow-minded (but that's your way, so I'm
>not surprised) ...

If I was really a "what's in it for ME" person, I'd be supporting Codeless HF. I've already aced (numerous times, with rote memorization only) the Extra-class question pool. Eliminate the code and I instantly get Extra privileges with zero work. Whoops. My CSCE expired. Guess I better go commit that question pool to memory again and get it renewed.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2919. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
Message-ID: <625_9801311221@warpgate.com>
Source record: 179911

> Wonder what the population of hams will be if CW is eliminated as a test
> requirement.
"R>
"R> Much larger and probably *much* more technically qualified.

NOT is what we have happening more and more on 2 Meters & 440 in direct proportion the NO CODE population increase is any indicator. I have never heard a bigger bunch of CB Brained IDIOTS. Yes soem are old timers but they are FAR outnumbered by the Later No Code Era Callsigns. KD6 and Later where I am. :-(
--
|WarpGate: Tom Walker 52:1000/211
|Internet: Tom.Walker@f211.n1000.z52.warpgate.com
| The WarpGate Network Internet Gateway El Cajon, CA.

2920. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: The Bakers <mbaker@monmouth.com>
Message-ID: <34D3EF2A.5AED9889@monmouth.com>
Source record: 179912

Cutie Boy wrote:

> we don't care nor interested in how the CW works.
>
> we use digital. we don't like analog and i don't know why we have
> to be forced with analog.

1.) Isn't CW (i.e., On-Off Keying) a "digital" mode of communication ?2.) If you don't like analog transmission, I guess you have no need or desire for that 2 meter FM rig you talk about so often.

M. Baker
mbaker@monmouth.com

2921. Re: NO CODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: W6RCA <cmoore@sedona.intel.com>
Message-ID: <34D3CECE.B1822000@sedona.intel.com>
Source record: 179913
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Dwight Stewart wrote:
> I have never felt as unwelcomed, by any group I have ever joined, as I
> have felt since receiving my Technician class license.

Hi Dwight, is that just on this newsgroup or are you talking about ham
radio in general?

73, Cecil, W6RCA (not speaking for my employer)

2922. Re: Myth #3: "No CW, it will become CB"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Doug younker <dougy@ruraltel.net>
Message-ID: <34D3AEE4.54A3@ruraltel.net>
Source record: 179914
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

dnult wrote:language
> > on SSB are NOT USING CW! They practiced enough to get an HF
> > license and dropped it for the less respectful mode of SSB. This should
> > tell you something. Maybe not.
> >
> > ......Monty.
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All it tells me is that the Morse code exam is NOT an effective, poor
operator filter". BTW, one communication mode is more *respectable*
than another communication mode? What is the pecking order of the
various modes?

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73, Doug Younker, N0LKK
near Plainville, KS
dougy@ruraltel.net

2923. Re: Info on Sommerkamp FT 250?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Shayler <paul@g6tsf.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ant3118330b0Kjhw@g6tsf.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 179915

In article <34D2FCF6.67592BE9@online.no>, Olav tveiten
<URL:mailto:olavtvei@online.no> wrote:
>
> Hi folks
> Anyone got some information about the Sommerkamp FT 250 transceiver. It
> is really a Yeasu isn't it?
> Regards
> Olav Tveiten
>
If my memory serves me right it's a FT 200, I'm not sure which version
of the FT 200 was "Sommerkamped"
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Bye for now, Paul, G6TSF. My sig - economy version!
Psychoceramics - the study of crackpot ideas!?
g6tsf@amsat.org

2924. Re: NO C ODE ISSUE WILL KILL HAM RADIO!!! HA HA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Brian <burkefam@icss.net>
Message-ID: <34D39577.3043@icss.net>
Source record: 179916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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DoD COMM wrote:
>
> W6RCA wrote:
> >
> > DoD COMM wrote:
> > >
> > > W6RCA wrote:
> > > >
> > > > DoD COMM wrote:
> > > > > If they
> > > > > don't want to learn the code, fine...they just
> > > > > won't become Amateur Radio operators!
> > > > >
> > > > Oh Yeah? Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> > > > they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators ...
> > > >
> > > What's that have to do with anything?
> > > We are talking about meeting the requirements to
> > > obtain a Amateur Radio license.
> > >
> > Duuuuhhhhhhh Walt, Most of the astronauts didn't "learn the code" and
> > they seem to do just fine as amateur radio operators. Do you ever
> > bother to read the posts to which you are replying?
> >
> > 73, Cecil, W6RCA
>
> Just because you are a astronaut and have a No-Code
> Tech license doesn't make you a "ham"!

I have yet to hear an astronaut belittle those who have made lesser
achievments. Is that what makes a ham?

Brian/N0iMD
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2925. Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: James M Allen <jmallen01@sprynet.com>
Message-ID: <6audh1$7ok$1@juliana.sprynet.com>
Source record: 179917

"blueis" <blueis@sprintmail.com> writes: > I'm not yet a "vet" of this NG. Only been "readin' the acid" for about a
> month now. But I AM impressed!
>
> I see two forces here... obviously code vs. no-code. The proponents of
> each group range from those who proffer an opinion and listen for value in
> the response --- to those who would simply prefer to shoot all who disagree.
> At times it is almost comical.... the human version of the two rams locked
> in head-butting combat.
>
> You men can't tell me that you believe you can change another's opinion
> through your arguments, logic or words. Hell, I not even sure you *want* to
> change anyone. For if you did, whom would you rail against? So, even
> though you defend your position with the greatest show of passion, the
> motives of some of you are greatly suspect.
>
> I have seen no NG written evidence (postings) of a conspiracy to eliminate
> or ban code. The no-code efforts I have observed have been aimed at a
> no-code test. If that is what you believe, then go for it. But I for one
> find little kinship with anyone (on *either* side of the code fence) who
> feels it is their duty to belittle, flame, heckle, curse, defame, etc.....
> all in the name of defending their position. One of the great ironies of
> history is that the Christians killed millions of people during the
> Cruades..... all in the name of God. Perhaps this is just as worthy a
> cause.
>
> There have been MANY good ideas posted to this newsgroup. I have seen
> sincere requests for help go virtually unanswered. But let one of the Big
> 12 posters hiccup and the thread spans a full two pages.
>
> I came to this NG looking for ideas and views.... not necessarily
> confirmation of my own opinions. And I found both: those I agree with and
> those I don't. But I also found the NG to be a haven for discord,
> intolerance and hate. Hey... its pretty obvious that *nothing* will ever
> change VSE's mind... or CBRambo's.... or MD's.... or RCA's.... or those
> of many others for that matter! And there is actually nothing wrong with
> that -- that is their right. But each of the combatants on this NG must
> feel that the salvation/conversion of 'the other side' is their personal
> mission in life. As for me... I'm kinda ashamed of how you guys act
> sometimes. I just hope the younger hams don't tune into this NG and think
> this is the way you're supposed to act when you get licensed or when you
> grow up. Maybe someone can delineate the difference between "road rage" and
> "NG rage".
>

> Having been licensed for thirty years I have found that my interest in ham
> radio has declined steadily over the years.... just as the level of
> respect, willingness to help and camaraderie have declined. Unfortunately,
> it looks like this is the electronic trend, also.
>
>
>
>
I'm not a vet here, either - but I'd bet that's gonna change right now!
Here's my position (I like the term "DMZ"-and if you gotta ask, you're too young or
your memory's shot!): I'm a one of those *$%#%$% "No-Codes'; and frankly,
I'll probably NEVER take a code test! OTOH, I'm not a rabid "No-Code" -
I just don't care if the CW requirement stays in effect or not! If it goes
away, you'll hear me on HF- if not....no big deal.

(Short pause to douse the incoming flames!)

Frankly, I think it's ridiculous that Amateur Radio Operators will stoop
to the levels we witness on this NG. "WHAT WILL REALLY DESTROY AMATEUR RADIO..."
(in *my* opinion) is the reaction of a sufficient number of non-Hams who stumble
across the bulls**** (my term) generated in the arguments here. They'd probably
figure all Hams are a bunch of foul-mouthed pea-brains...after all, that's the
likely impression conveyed by at least half the postings.

Hmmmmmmmm, foul-mouthed peabrains.....that's a 'cleaned up' version of what
some of the more vitriolic "CW keeps us from being CBer's" advocates would
use to describe the "CBer's". Uh-oh.....that sounded like an opinion, better
get back into the asbestos underware! Well, by now there's about 1000
posts taking me to task for saying they're like CBer's. Time to duck!

2926. Re: 2 meter FM simplex ops off channel N

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Jan Allbright <jan.allbright.NOSPAM@usa.net>
Message-ID: <34D3664B.A3726D1@usa.net>
Source record: 179937

ROLAND STINER wrote:

> MN>>Apparently, people don't want to act in a gentlemanly way.
>
> MN>I think that the problem arrises mostly inadvertantly. The new Tech typicall
> >doesn't join the ARRL, so where is he to learn of band plans and "gentleman'
> >agreements?"
>
> I have not looked in the Technician's question pool but there must be
> some questions on band plans in there. You have to know where you can
> and can't operate.
>
> ---
> ï¿½ OLX 1.53 ï¿½ Private Reply? E-Mail Me At: NK2U@JUNO.COM

Bzzzzzt - nope - but thanks for playing!

The band plan is regional for VHF / UHF due to propagation.
Look at the 2M band plan for Indiana and then look at the one for Michigan.
Better yet - look at Michigan and Canada!

Yes you have to know where you can and can't operate - I believe on 2M it is
between 146 and 148 Mhz.

IMHO the lack of a national band plan is a pain ...
but with a FCC regulated band plan - why not just put a channel indicator on the
radio?

No-Code Tech AND and ARRL member....
--
Jan Allbright - "14-91" - Calhan Volunteer Fire Department
-- KC0BUY -- 146.970(-) <100hzPL> -- Colorado Springs --
real mail response needs to remove NOSPAM from email

2927. Re: No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill <billr@no.net>
Message-ID: <34D380E5.23F1@no.net>
Source record: 179938

CBRambo wrote:
>
> In article <886260521.683343885@dejanews.com>, kd5bcu@qsl.net writes:
>
> >If an 8 YEAR OLD can learn that much code, anyone should be able to do
> it.
>
> Once again, whether someone "can" or cannot" learn something has nothing to do
> with whether a requirement is relevent and necessary for the purposes of
> obtaining a government license to perform the activity.
>
> I "could" pass the test for a motorcycle endorsement on my drivers license,
> too...but there is no reason nor requirement for me to do so, since I have no
> intention of operating a motorcycle. Get it?

But if it were a requirement to get a drivers license, it would not stop
me from getting a such license. I would not whine and cry about it and
refuse to get a drivers license just because of the extra reqirement.

2928. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D3668D.DA429026@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 179939
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Michael P. Deignan wrote:
>
> In article <34CD1135.8D60608C@flinet.com>, Joe <mitstoll@flinet.com> wrote:
>
> >in this case, our huge and ever growing list of new Codeless Techs.
>
> There is nothing "huge" nor "ever growing" about the codeless tech
> license. Being that the first codeless tech licenses are not scheduled
> to expire for another 3 years (2/2001), codeless tech numbers are
> artifically inflated and do not represent the true number of currently
> active licensees.
>
> MD

Somewhere in there is some truth I guess but it confused me. If the guy is not expired and his ticket isn't either, why is it we don't count him? I can see using current numbers in this case don't make sense when projecting future numbers because of the upgrade or die thing, but currently they are numbered. You may also wish to include those Gen and above who are still with us but no longer play with radios. In my area there are many of them due to the nature of the area which draws older folks much like Florida does and many of them just don't deal with the hobby anymore. Some still carry Vanity Plates but dont Beep or Yak.

Ed
d

2929. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D39605.5682@nb.net>
Source record: 179940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Cutie Boy wrote:

> > We don't
> >test for proper digipeter or packet operation, so why Morse code?
>
> because the old foggies say so.
>
> because the old foggies believe in old stuffs. because the old
> foggies wanna ride cars 100 years ago and stick with 286 machines and
> with CW.....
>

Well, I'm far from an old foggie and I say keep the CW
requirement and get rid of the no-coders!

2930. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D36E50.921AC4C8@flash.net>
Source record: 179941
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Preface: the quotations are verbatim from Masas "Canadian Basic Study Guide"

Cutie Boy wrote:

> I said ***CANADIAN BASIC STUDY GUIDE*** IS BASED ON GOVERNMENT EXAM =
> GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION.

>CAN'T YOU READ ENGLISH ?? GO BACK TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IDIOT.
>YOUR ENGLISH MUST BE WORSE THAN MINE.
>HOW ABOUT IF YOU TAKE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE ??Ohhh kayyy Charrr reee, I go now , look for CANADIAN BASIC STUDY GUIDE on Masataka Noda San web site.You wait for me, I right back. O.K I just downroad "Canadian Basic Study guide" page 5 say under "Transmitter"

"-The microphone at beginning, the antenna at the end"

O.K I ready for exam now Noda san ownree study for one day.
What about Receiver?

"-The antenna at the beginning the speaker at the end"

Tim san now know ebby ting needed for test day.
But I need know how packet radio work too,

"Digital System (or Packet Radio System in General)"

"-The antenna is located at the end to transmit or to receive (resonable?) "
"-The course of actions: you type (input/outuput)... the computer responces...
the modem responces...
the tranceiver responses... the antenna sends out the signal..."

Oh tank you Masataka Noda san, now Tim san know ebby ting needed for hai speed packet radio! I send .gif file to sattarite today. But one questions ownree, can I spams on Packet radio? Can I talk to Police and tell them harrow? Oh sorry that two questions. I send you $20 today dis is best prodaht in world for Basic Radio License. I ready for Advance license now ownree study CW for 1 day ownree.

> In mean time, if you have time to make the impression that I seem to
> be stupid, you should see yourself so you don't look stupid.

Well since you put it that way.... ROTFWTIME....

Ok, I know guys, I was a little rough with this one. Sorry, I won't do it again....I just couldn't help it. *flame suit on* :)

73, Tim ka8ddz

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2931. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6avq4e$jgq@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 179942
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Hey Bellows - Why are you posting this thread to .shortwave?

Bellows <abellows@idoj.com> wrote:
>DoD COMM wrote:

>> Let's see...the machine I use for RTTY was made in 1942.
>> Yep, that's "modern" communications!

>MANY years after 1800's Morse technology, or did you think Morse Code is
>something NEW just invented in the 1990's?

His 1942 figure is only 20 years after CW came into widespread use.

Your comment regarding "1800's Morse technology" would be similar to
stating that the voice modes are millions of years old, originating
with the first grunt of prehistoric man.

Jeff KH2PZ

2932. Re: operating in the United Arab Emirates - for an expat??????? UAE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d374f2.98597656@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 179943
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 05:34:16 -0800, AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com> wrote:
>Paul Newman wrote:
>>
>> would appreciate any info on whether a non national can obtain a license or
>> can operate in the UAE? i currently have an australian license(vk8pn) and a
>> UK license (g4kim) - i am an australian citizen and may soon be transfered
>> to the uae for a 2 yesr stint
>> many thanks
>> paul
>> vk8pn
>----------
>
>Hi Paul -- OH2MCN has a page devoted to information on licensing abroad
>for radio amateurs at URL:
>http://www.clinet.fi/~jukka/license.html
>
>73
>Rod in San Diego

Rod, it would have been more responsive to answer his question.
And the answer is, only a national of the UAE can be granted an
amateur station license. You can get permission to operate as a
guest at the station of a national, however.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2933. Re: Interference with cable/phone?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Bill Crocker <billc@rust.net>
Message-ID: <6avr4njmu1@news4.ispnews.com>
Source record: 179944

Kevin:

I would start with your cable provider... it is their responsibility to provide you with good clean service.

Bill Crocker

Kevin Podsiadlik wrote in message ...
>Hello.
>
>I am seeking some help. For the past several months, I've been getting
>interference on my cable TV in the form of a garbled human voice. This
>I had tolerated, but recently I have noticed that this interference has
>also been affecting my phone lines, causing my modem to disconnect
>frequently when it occurs.
[clipped]

2934. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D371EC.54FD817E@flash.net>
Source record: 179945
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 14:18:47 GMT, mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty
> Wilson) wrote:
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> > I was
> >licensed at age 12.
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> > WN8TEE, Micky, age 15.
> > Magic!
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> yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.

Well my son, kc8gub, was licensed at 15 he made plenty of contacts on CW but he's now 16 does it still count?He very grad to make contact with you too Noda san, 15 wpm o.k for you. He wern from papa san who teach him old foggie style CW. Now he run big contest sometimes.. I tink he eat Masas lunch with straight key ownree.

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2935. Re: operating in the United Arab Emirates - for an expat??????? UAE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Mike Morrow <mmorrow@companet.net>
Message-ID: <34D376EF.6571@companet.net>
Source record: 179946
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Gary responded to:

>Hi Paul -- OH2MCN has a page devoted to information on licensing abroad
>for radio amateurs at URL:
>http://www.clinet.fi/~jukka/license.html
>
>73
>Rod in San Diego

With the following:

>Rod, it would have been more responsive to answer his question.
>And the answer is, only a national of the UAE can be granted an
>amateur station license. You can get permission to operate as a
>guest at the station of a national, however.

Rod's information was of more *general* usefulness to the NG, and I suspect, to Paul also (Teach a man to fish, etc.).

Mike, KK5F

2936. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D3756E.BD79DEE2@flash.net>
Source record: 179947

Michael P. Deignan wrote:

> In article <19980131125201.HAA24170@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
> CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>
> >Better question: how many earth-shattering, technical breakthroughs have been
> >created by ANY ham in the last 7 years...coded or not? Very few, I'll bet.
>
> And its going to get worse. The complexity level of working with electronic
> components has progressed beyond the capabilities of the home hobbiest.
> Custom ICs, surface mount technology, high-density manufacturing techniques --
> all contribute to making today's ham operator an appliance operator, not a
> electronics enthusiast.

Progressed beyond the capabilites of the home hobbiest?I think building radios is easier now than it EVER was. Mixer/RF amps, high gain audio amps, all available in chip form.
PIC controllers available with inexpensive programming devices. Lots of new DDS devices that are easily controlled via a serial or parallel line. What more could todays enthusiast want? If your an appliance operator it's because you choose to be, not because todays electronics are beyond ones capabilities.

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2937. Re: No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA22035@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179948

In article <34D380E5.23F1@no.net>, Bill <billr@no.net> writes:

>But if it were a requirement to get a drivers license, it would not stop
me
>from getting a such license. I would not whine and cry about it and
refuse to
>get a drivers license just because of the extra reqirement.

Neither have I. I hold a valid amateur license and have passed the code test. Like you, I would not let that stop me from obtaining a license. But I would also work to remove the irrelevant and unnecessary portion of the test for the benefit of future applicants. This is contrary to most of the old, white men in the pro-code camp who stubbornly insist that "I had to learn it, so you do, too." Never mind the fact that it is no longer relevant to communications in 1998 or that it is turning away badly-needed would-be newcomers to the hobby.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2938. Re: Interference with cable/phone?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA22044@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179949

In article <kjpodsia-3101981125460001@dal-tsa20-51.cyberramp.net>,
kjpodsia@cyberramp.net (Kevin Podsiadlik) writes:

>I am seeking some help. For the past several months, I've been
>getting
interference on my cable TV in the form of a garbled human voice.
>This
I had tolerated, but recently I have noticed that this interference
>has
also been affecting my phone lines, causing my modem to
>disconnect
frequently when it occurs.

First of all, am I correct in my
>deduction that this is probably caused
by a ham operator?

The ham operators on here will tell you that it most certainly is one of those awful, lowly, scum-of-the-earth CB'ers. Couldn't POSSIBLY be a ham operator creating interference here, now could it? Watch and see...

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2939. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA22064@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179950

In article <6avkdn$1hf$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>>>The ARRL simply protects the interests of hams like me who
>>believe the
>code requirement serves a useful purpose.

>Which is exactly why their
>membership numbers keep declining.

Err, ARRL membership figures have
>consistantly been on the INCREASE.

Raw NUMBERS, yes. But numbers of licensed amateurs...particularly no-code
Technicians, have been increasing much faster. Result: the percentage of
licensed amateurs who are affiliated with the ARRL is now at an all-time low.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2940. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA22065@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179951

In article <6avifj$1rl@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>, "Glenn, AA5PK"
<aa5pk@qsl.net> writes:

>> But hey...at least you managed to get through an entire sentence
> this
>time without multiple errors in grammar, capitalization, spelling,
and
>usage.

You, on the other hand, did not. "It's" is the contraction for "it
>is"
whereas "its" is the possessive for "it."

Three out of four ain't...oops, I mean "isn't" bad.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2941. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA10736@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179952

In article <6avo5a$i9v@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
writes:

>CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>Only for people like you who are apparently
>too stupid to know how to convert
>them to operate on 10 meters. Guess that
>makes you one of the "appliance
>operators" that you beepers always gripe and
>complain about.

He's built gear from scratch, so you shouldn't call him
>"stupid." But
let's have a pop quiz: Tell us step-by-step how *you* have
>converted
one to 10m.

In most modern rigs, all that is needed is a small soldering iron, a steady
pair of hands, and knowledge about the capabilities of the radio's particular
PLL chip.

Happy, Jeffy?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2942. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA10747@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179953

In article <19980131171400.MAA24498@ladder02.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>You mean to tell me this CB RAMBUTT is actually Dippy DREW

Yep. That's what they say.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2943. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA10756@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179954

In article <6avjg1$mt6$1@nnrp2.dejanews.com>, rsumner35@hotmail.com writes:

>WHAT I WANT KNOW IS HOW THE DRAFT DODGER CAN SEND HIS UGLY LESBO DAUGHTER
>TO
STANFORD,SHE CAN STOP A TRUCK

Actually, I was thinking she looks more like a pile of shoestring potatoes, all mashed together.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2944. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131190600.OAA10767@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179955

In article <19980131171201.MAA05650@ladder03.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>It seems to be the only way you can understand anything, maybe you ought >to
forget Ham Radio and become a Grammer Teacher, or maybe even a Composer of >the
English Language since you never have any real comments to make.

Whoops! I knew it was only a lucky fluke that you managed to compose that one previous sentence without errors. How many times did you flunk first grade, anyway? Too busy playing with your battery-operated beeping key when you were supposed to be studying your English and spelling lessons.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2945. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131191101.OAA22876@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179956

In article <34D39605.5682@nb.net>, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> writes:

>Well, I'm far from an old foggie and I say keep the CW
requirement and get
>rid of the no-coders!

Luckilly for you, that will never happen. If it did, amateur radio would lose approximately 25% of it's licensees and, consequently, large chunks of frequency allocations...if not outright abolishment of the entire service.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2946. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D37976.A1EE3EDF@flash.net>
Source record: 179957

CBRambo wrote:

> In article <6avo5a$i9v@news.Hawaii.Edu>, jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
> writes:

> He's built gear from scratch, so you shouldn't call him
> >"stupid." But
> let's have a pop quiz: Tell us step-by-step how *you* have
> >converted
> one to 10m.
>
> In most modern rigs, all that is needed is a small soldering iron, a steady
> pair of hands, and knowledge about the capabilities of the radio's particular
> PLL chip.
>
> Happy, Jeffy?

Nice try Rambo but there is a little more than just knowing the radios PLL chip.
After that I suppose you just tweak everything for max out eh? Actually I
converted one and knew nothing of the rigs PLL chip so try agian.

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2947. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D37BC7.B3AE63A2@flash.net>
Source record: 179958

rsumner35@hotmail.com wrote:

> WHAT I WANT KNOW IS HOW THE DRAFT DODGER CAN SEND HIS UGLY LESBO DAUGHTER TO
> STANFORD,SHE CAN STOP A TRUCK

Well, it's actually quite easy, you see being lesbian (which she does not appear to be since she's dating men) has nothing to do with admissions to Stanford, nor does being ugly or the ability to stop a truck. So in all likelihood what the President does is write a check to the University once or twice a year to pay for tuition etc. Now you know HOW he does it.

Tim

2948. Sams Photofacts $1.00ea

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: vintel@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131193201.OAA14520@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179959

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1218, 1223, 1232, 1334, 1359, 1410, 1434, 1509, 1914.

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John E. Kendall PO Box 436 Fallston, Md 21047

2949. FS: CRT's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: vintel@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131193301.OAA26012@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179960

CRT's. These appear to be new cathode ray tubes, some boxes still sealed. Don't know
what type of equipment these were used in. I'm sure some were for oscilloscope use.
Others probably some military application. Price listed does not include shipping from
Baltimore, Md. 4-3BP1@$5.00EA, 3-5FP7@ $7.00EA.1 ea of the following: 5CP1 @$7.00, 3JP1@$5.00, 5AXP4 @ $30.00(this is a general purpose TV service tube to hook up to a wide variety of B/W TV chs for testing) & 1-5BP1 @$7.00.
Thanks for taking the time to check this out.
John

2950. Re: Myth #11: There is Driver's License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net>
Message-ID: <34D3A8FD.205D@nb.net>
Source record: 179961
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:
> [Myth End]
>

THANK GOD!

2951. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D38216.33E26124@flash.net>
Source record: 179962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> You are not answering my questions, but trying to confuse others.

What questions would you like me to answer Cutie boy? I haven't seen any questions to me in your posts.By the way, the only confusion seems to be in your study guides, I'll stand by my original comment. These guides are garbage, they are full of incorrect and misleading information and contain spelling and gramatical errors. Hardly worth the bandwidth required to download them.

> In mean time, if you have time to make the impression that I seem to
> be stupid, you should see yourself so you don't look stupid.

I don't need to make that impression for you Noda san, you do all by yourself with each and every new post.

Tim

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2952. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <6avs3ftvv1@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 179963

In article <MPG.f3d0061d22aeb2c98994b@news.planet.net>, kf2ti@planet.net (Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ)) wrote:

>This is the wattle, the emblem of our land,
>you can put it in a bottle
>you can hold it in your hand

Python rules!

(sorry, had to say it!)

2953. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131201701.PAA21284@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179964

>Whoops! I knew it was only a lucky fluke that you managed to compose that
>one
>previous sentence without errors. How many times did you flunk first grade,
>anyway? Too busy playing with your battery-operated beeping key when you
>were
>supposed to be studying your English and spelling lessons.
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>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
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So Drew RAMBUTT how many times have you been Fired Lately, our you still
getting Chased off School Grounds

2954. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131201900.PAA21671@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179965

>Raw NUMBERS, yes. But numbers of licensed amateurs...particularly no-code
>Technicians, have been increasing much faster. Result: the percentage of
>licensed amateurs who are affiliated with the ARRL is now at an all-time low.
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>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
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Who would belive anything a Rejected Disc Jockey would say

2955. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2e86$dffdf5e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 179966

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6av5qe$185$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
>
> The Codeless VHF license was supposed to spur technical innovation on our
> VHF bands.

There are many technical folks with no-code tech licenses that wouldn't
be hams today were it not for the codeless license ... most of us who
work in the electronics industry know many ...

> We were told that there were all these geniuses who were just
> chomping at the bit to get into amateur radio, if not for that nasty code
> requirement.

The form that the codeless license took (without HF access) STILL is a
turn-off to many, since it clearly relegates them to "second-class
citizen" status ... not to mention the insults and "No-coders aren't
REAL hams" bigotry that many like you, Larry, Dick, and others spout ...

> Okay, this sounds reasonable on its face, and since code is
> not required for access above 30MHZ, we eliminated it.

You didn't do SQUAT, Mike ... unless I missed something (and I don't
think I have), you've never been an FCC Commissioner, so *you* didn't
"eliminate it" ... in fact, if your position here is any indication, you
were probably at least as obstructionist as the ARRL in trying to keep
the no-code license from coming into being ...

> But, where are all the promised technical innovations on VHF? Its been
> 7 years now. Certainly we should see *something* by now.

If you had open eyes and an open mind, you'd see that no-code techs are
virtually the only source of growth in ham radio and that without them,
our numbers would have taken a disastrous slide ...

> Can you name one,
> single, solitary technical innovation created and contributed to the hobby
> by a Codeless Tech, which wouldn't have been implemented in the hobby if
> not FOR the Codeless Tech license?

Actually I can't off the top of my head ... but your entire line of "thinking'
is corrupted by your hatred for anyone/anything that doesn't support mandatory
code testing ... all I can say is that we'd be FAR worse off without the folks
that have been brought into ham radio via the no-code license than we are
today.

The no-code license was NOT created for the reasons you claim ... and it was not "sold to" incumbent hams ... it was created because incumbent hams were stagnated, code was no longer necessary as a qualification, and it was done *despite the objections of the ARRL* ... the ONE, lone time that the FCC had the balls to do something because it was right, even if the ARRL objected.

Your entire "what's in it for ME" line of thinking relative to no-code licensing is shortsighted and narrow-minded (but that's your way, so I'm not surprised) ...

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help to assure its survival into the 21st century!

2956. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2e87$d6506ea0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 179967

Michael P. Deignan <kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM> wrote in article
<6avli0$1jj$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>...
> In article <19980131125201.HAA24170@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
> CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>
> >Better question: how many earth-shattering, technical breakthroughs have
been
> >created by ANY ham in the last 7 years...coded or not? Very few, I'll bet.
>
> And its going to get worse. The complexity level of working with electronic
> components has progressed beyond the capabilities of the home hobbiest.

That is ABSURD, Mike ... modern VLSI devices present entire building blocks
that can EASILY be used to implement systems far more complex and capable than
could have been done by the home-builder with the technology of 20 years ago
..

And for a hundred bucks you can have a complete suite of VHDL tools, including
design entry, design compiler, functional and timing simulators, synthesis,
programming tools, and the in-circuit programming cable to create your own
"custom"
ICs with 10s of thousands of gates in them ... at home, with your PC ...

I have several different "flavors" of such tools ... they are cheap, easy to
learn,
and easy to use ...

> Custom ICs, surface mount technology, high-density manufacturing techniques
--
> all contribute to making today's ham operator an appliance operator, not a
> electronics enthusiast.

No, ignorance, laziness, and the perversion of ham radio from what it is
supposed
to be (and used to be) into a radio-based electronic gaming field by the ARRL
are
what contribute(d) to making today's ham operator an appliance operator, not an
electronics enthusiast.

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2957. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Al <"daclark@daclark"@lni.net>
Message-ID: <6b009m$p93$1@adonis.tdi.net>
Source record: 179968
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dr. Bellows wrote:
>
> Richard Carroll wrote:
> >
> > > > Dr. Bellows wrote:
> > > >
> > > > > It would sure suck to have
> > > > > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > > > > to talk letter by letter in code!!
> >
> > Sure would--unless you were stuck in a blizzard at a phone booth, the
> > only sign of civilization in view, and some vandal had removed the phone
> > booth's mike cartridge. Then it might be helpful indeed, you could just
> > dial up the ARRL HQ and send your message of desperation in code!
> >
>
> First of all, thier offices would probably be closed, and even if not,
> what help could they provide from another state? I love the way you
> people always have to come up with the most ridiculous situations in
> order to show a usefull instance for Morse Code!!
>
> How about this one, Some vandal ripped off the touch tone pad and
> switchhook, and the payphone was continuously connected to a dedicated
> line to the Police station in town where no one understands Morse Code,
> and the only way to ask for help is by speaking into the mouthpiece?
>
> Or how about, you are stranded in a city where the local ordinance
> prohibits the use of Morse Code, you are stranded in your car with a
> radio in which the Code Key is broken, the wires are cut off and you
> have no tools, and the only way to ask for help is via the microphone on
> your 2-meter radio, or via your cellphone?
>
> I can make up just as many ridiculous situations as you can. But the
> actual emergencies that I read about in QST always mention 2-meters and
> repeaters, but NEVER mention Morse Code.
>
> A Blizzard where a Phone Booth is the ONLY sign of civilzation in view,
> and the Mic cartridge is missing!! You had to really make-up an
> INCREDIBLE situation at the North Pole to find something usefull for
> Morse Code eh!

Long winded ain't he! I don't think I would like a qso with this Dr,
Bellows on any mode!

73 Al

2958. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rwclark@rwclark.seanet.com
Message-ID: <34d48140.11120434@news.seanet.com>
Source record: 179969
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 15:34:16 GMT, ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman)
wrote:

>On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:52:29 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>>On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 12:30:18 GMT, ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman)
>>wrote:
>>
>>>They allow us to operate at a lower power and with less expense
>>>than do analog methods.
>>
>>The computer allows us to operate at much lower power with less
>>expense than the CW methods. So what ????
>
>That maximizes communications utility while minimizing the impact
>on other spectral users. That is generally considered a good combination
>of properties in a communications system.
>
>Gary
>Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
>534 Shannon Way | We break it |
>Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

Hi Gary,

Though technically correct, your arguments fall flat in that this
isn't a technical debate, it is an emotional one (you've alluded to
this perception in other posts). The conclusion that CW is a fading
requirement for the commercial world is inescapable (market forces are
like death and taxes). Thus there can be no appeal to its real need,
but rather its perceived need.

Beyond this point on the page, Gary, mostly what follows may be
classified as "ranting and raving" and not necessarily direct response
to any particular posting. So, to continue...

One perspective of that perceived need is rather apocalyptic
anticipating a time when societal structures and standards have
collapsed. As irrational as the apocalyptic perspective may sometimes
become, it serves to establish a fundamental level of concern. That
concern is that like bio-diversity, whatever is lost can never be
recovered when the need arises.

CW presents a form of code, encryption, digitization,
whatever-you-may-call-it, that is commonly available throughout the
world. When I say commonly available, this can be as literal as

hearing someone define it. This constitutes an Oral tradition. It already has a protocol associated with it that is its own lingua franca (the Q code). This code requires no supplementary equipment to interface it to the user. Even more important, is that this code and protocol can be carried in your head, and practiced by hand. Being a primitive mode, it is not restricted to electrical transmission (lights, bells and whistles work as direct replacements within the constraints of range), nor does it require complicated synchronizations. As the mind is the ultimate signal processor, interfering signals are managed with far greater sophistication than the best digital techniques that require co-operation. This is not to say that the mind can outperform digital processes, rather it says that in an uncooperative, chaotic state, the mind will recover more data than a digital process.

However, even here my apologia leans too heavily on a technical rebuttal. The proper response should be couched in terms of the bio-diversity allusion. The real world demonstrates total disregard for issues of bio-diversity everyday, so how does this allusion impact this discussion? For those very reasons of disregard. Just as the passing of a genome from our genetic pool is an irretrievable loss, so is the lost knowledge of a process an erosion to our cultural memory. As the commercial world discards this mode, it is OUR RESPONSIBILITY to maintain it. This is a REQUIREMENT OF OUR CULTURE, or our culture is meaningless and renders us as merely a class of technical hedonists.

The stumbling block of this discussion also lies outside of the technical discussion. That block is the practice of selective discrimination against non-code operators.

That block should remain. For a culture, it serves as a necessary rite of passage. It fosters the education of our oldest and venerated mode. Through the restrictions of the band plan it fosters its use. As a distinction in one's standing within the culture, it should be retained as a requirement for advancement. However, as a segregating principle insofar as HF/VHF privileges, this is not a cultural necessity, but rather a legalism. That legalism, in light of today's practices, has been rendered meaningless and serves only political goals.

This block then should be revisited to remove not the cultural mode but rather remove the outdated legal restrictions. In fact I would open the floor to discussion of Amateur Radio acquiring title to the entire HF domain. Where there are existing commercial services in use, they can share with us as a secondary user on a mutually non-interfering basis. I'll trust that Hams will honor their rights more than they would observe ours. This band-grab could not come from our own efforts, as we are barely able to scrabble for what spectrum we have. No this move would have to be patronized. It is incumbent upon the governments to grant us this spectrum as THEIR OBLIGATION to

aid our support and fostering this mode; to encourage public participation; and to hold the spectrum in the Public Domain.

Aside from that last wild fling of imagination, CW policies involving discrimination should be examined at all levels, not removed. Priorities may change over time, but what society discards it's heritage?

73's
Richard Clark, KB7QHC

2959. Re: Myth #11: There is Driver's License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b00po$1tr$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179970
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34d35627.7682951@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:

>When one takes an exam, the exam does not ask you how the engine works
>nor how the speed meter works. Instead, you get an exam which is
>directly related to actual operation of the vehicle... practical.

So, is your premise that the following statement about amateur radio
licenses should apply:

>When one takes an exam, the exam does not ask you how the radio works
>nor how the SWR meter works. Instead, you get an exam which is
>directly related to actual operation of the radio... practical.

>The amateur radio should focus more on practical part (ie. how to
>store the frequency into the memory etc.

What happens when my radio works different than yours? What happens when
my radio doesn't have "memories". Awwww, shucks, I'd fail the exam.

> It's like forcing driver license candidates to know how the
>engine works.

No, it would be akin to forcing the license candidate to know how the
radio works.... Oh, wait a minute, that's what our exams are supposed to
test for...

>Visit this excellent site
>why we have to keep code tests to keep morons out of amateur radio today:
>URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
>License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Been there, done that.

MD
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-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2960. Re: Interference with cable/phone?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b0172$1uk$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179971

In article <kjpodsia-3101981125460001@dal-tsa20-51.cyberramp.net>,
Kevin Podsiadlik <kjpodsia@cyberramp.net> wrote:

>First of all, am I correct in my deduction that this is probably caused
>by a ham operator?

No. It could be caused by any number of radio services. The most
probable is a CB radio operator

>Does anyone know of
>some sort of instrument (not too expensive, I hope!) which I could use
>to track down the interference and have the guy knock it off (or readjust
>his set in some way)?

Warning: This isn't the answer you want to hear, so if you're easily
offended, skip my reply now....

Even if you do "track down" the source, there is no guarantee that it is
the "guy's" problem. The problem could entirely be *your* equipment.
Do you have a VCR connected to your TV? VCRs are well-known for picking up
stray RF emissions. Unfortunately, manufacturers of today's electronics
equipment do not put sufficient shielding in them to prevent them from
picking up stray emissions from other sources. If you open the Owner's
Manual to your TV/VCR/Stereo, you'll see an "FCC Part 15" notice which
states, effectively, that your electronic item may act as a radio and pick
up stray emissions. If so, it will tell you to try "reorienting the
device".

MD
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-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

2961. Re: Myth #11: There is Driver's License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <6b032e$iab@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 179972
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <34d35627.7682951@news.total.net>,
Cutie Boy <cute@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> It's like forcing driver license candidates to know how the
>engine works

I think it's more akin to forcing driver's license candidates to learn how to parallel park. It's useful knowledge when you need to do it, but most people try to avoid it if they can.

Glenn AA5PK

2962. Re: Relinquishing control over what they have.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6b029t$1vr$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 179973
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In article <34D3668D.DA429026@ix.netcom.com>,
Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com> wrote:

>Somewhere in there is some truth I guess but it confused me. If the guy
>is not expired and his ticket isn't either, why is it we don't count
>him? I can see using current numbers in this case don't make sense when
>projecting future numbers because of the upgrade or die thing, but
>currently they are numbered. You may also wish to include those Gen and
>above who are still with us but no longer play with radios. In my area
>there are many of them due to the nature of the area which draws older
>folks much like Florida does and many of them just don't deal with the
>hobby anymore. Some still carry Vanity Plates but dont Beep or Yak.

Hi Ed,

My point is simply this: amateur radio licensing figures are *always*
overstated. The reasons are quite simple:

1) dead people are still listed
2) inactive people are still listed

Currently, the codeless tech license figures are overinflated because
the first round of license expirations for that license class are not
slated to hit until 2/2001. When the codeless tech license was first
created, it saw tremendous growth, with 3,000+ new licensees coming
in each month. Today, we only see ~800 new licensees each month, and
the codeless tech license category sees ~250 upgrades to higher license
classes each month, for a net increase of ~550 licensees each month.

It is my firm belief that when 2/2001 comes around we will see a major
drop in the number of codeless licensees. Why? Just personal observation.
The only N1xxx tech callsigns I consistantly hear on the radio (my club
sponsors a 2 meter repeater which I monitor regularly) are "new" N1
calls. I can count on my fingers and toes the number of other N1
"old-timer" codeless-tech callsigns (from roughly N1Jxx forward) I hear
regularly. This personal observation implies that many of the codeless
techs which became licensed have either moved on to other activities
(doubtful, since there is no increase in packet/ATV/440 activity here)
or have become "inactive".

A while back, Jim Kehler posted an excellent message summarizing why
he felt many codeless tech licensees would become inactive. The premise
was basically that the codeless tech license created a license class
for people interested in a "family radio service" type of license, rather
than for people who were interested in radio. As such, many people

got codeless tech licenses only to find out that ham radio really isn't what they were looking for.

Based on my personal observations, I believe Jim's summary to be accurate.

On the other hand, people who obtain higher license classes are, by definition, interested in radio, since they are pursuing an upgrade (do not turn this statement into a pro/no-code argument, all I'm saying is people who move up in license class are obviously still interested in radio, otherwise they wouldn't be upgrading -- whether they use code or not once they get a higher license class is irrelevant to the point I am trying to make.)

Thus, I think it is a safe assumption to make that the relative rate of licensee loss circa 2001 will be higher in the codeless tech license category than in higher license categories.

This is one reason I believe the No-Code Agenda is pushing so hard right now for Codeless HF. They have to "strike while the poker is hot", so to speak. By virtue of over-inflated license statistics, they can create the illusion of more support for their position than there really is.

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-- with my guns.
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2963. Re: What a garbage ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: blueis <blueis@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <6b0318$m4c$1@newsfep4.sprintmail.com>
Source record: 179974
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

DoD COMM wrote in message <34D008B0.8E0@nb.net>...
>Cutie Boy wrote:
>>
>> On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 10:05:26 -0700, M Johnson <silversq@ix.netcom.com>
>> wrote:
>>
>> >DoD COMM wrote:
>> >
>> >> ...Without CW, you're just a CB'er!
>> >

>> >No matter where you stand on the Code/No-code for hf band operations
there is
>> >no reason to make statements like that. There are many fine no-code
techs
>> >doing a FB job in public service operations.
>>
>> and mainly no coders in public service...

Even though I favor the retention of code for license requirements, I would not equate the none-code Techs with CB. I would rather -- much rather! -- see 1000 none-code Techs on the air in lieu of just one butthole who thinks that music, foul language and bad manners are required to demonstrat your BIG SIGNAL.

>There is more public service communications taking
>place on the HF bands than the No-Code CB'ers do
>playing around on the FM repeaters.

As a former state warning/communications officer directly involved in emergency communications, I can state emphatically that this is not true. To say that coded or none-coded, HF or VHF, voice or CW, young or older or *any* part of the emergency communications system does more than others does a great disservice to the system and the people who make up the system. We desparately need *ALL* of these components to maximize our success. Some people who have not been DIRECTLY involved in emerg communications (either as an operator or as a planner) just do not understand that each facet of ham radio is a tool to be applied where it best fulfills a need. My guess is that you have never been involved in planning for emerg mgmt/civil defense/diaster communications.

In PA the county emerg mgmt offices were asked/required to develop an emergency communications plan that INCLUDED Amateur Radio. In the early 80's we even successfully procured federal matching funds for Amateur projects.... like VHF repeaters and HF all-mode xcvrs!

Arguments you make for or against retention of code testing carry less merit
when you append spiteful comments such as these.

2964. Radio Control Programs....bad stuff?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kvenl@dds.nl
Message-ID: <34d408ce.3040561@news.euro.net>
Source record: 179975
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi there!

Well, I tried a lot of these so called 'rig control' programs BUT:
I was amazed how BAD they really are:
- inaccurate
- user unfriendly
- just 'bugging' around (full of bad bugs)

I tried (on my NRD535D):
- ScanCat Gold for windows (Is this program really ment for ease up tuning ....? Don't got it to work very good, and it locks up the serail port for other programs (after quitting it).
- RCON v2 is VERY BAD: full of bugs (BWC simply is sh*t); cannot expand the screen to max-size, just gets back to org size;refuses to read it's own dB; doesn't work with Klingenfuss 1996; levers just disappear; no possibilties for offset setting. Really DOESN'T support the NRD at all! Left out some main features
- Freq Manager 2.0 (Can someone please test programs on their quality there?? It's very inaccurate!) Full of misspelled words. CAT (the tuning itself) just doesn't work. But a great database!!!!!! Most features left out (BWS, ECSS etc)

- NRD6.2 The only positive thing I found (and started with) is NRD6.2 from Tom Whiteside... The only disadvantage is that the databases are limited to 7000 records each. So you have to chop the stuff up. And it's DOS based, but ok, who cares after all the other programs.

-Turbo 53x : And a fairly good program is that of Jan Arkesteyn: Turbo53x.Zip
It runs well under both windows, but the databases are somewhat limited...The conversion procedures with it are simply inhuman .... Im gonna see if there's something to do about it....Still I guess this program has the best perspectives for the windows-based users

The LAST TWO are the best for the NRD5x5 to my opion, and THEY ARE FREE!!!!
So, if you have a NRD, don't bother to buy any of these programs, but go for the free stuff.

Are there other programs out there that support the NRD535 or others good and do what they say???

Im curious to your experiences...

Thanks a lot

Kees van Engelen

2965. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d390ec.1194329@news.total.net>
Source record: 179976
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:48:12 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>> yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW
>> now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.

>Well my son, kc8gub, was licensed at 15 he made plenty of contacts on CW

with whom ? 60 year old fog sitting alone in ham shack on 30m ??

I am sorry, but we [young bees] aren't interested in making such
contacts.

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
C&#65533;: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r&#65533;pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach&#65533;terai pas ou r&#65533;ponse aucun produit des C&#65533;S non sollicit&#65533;s!!

2966. Re: Best non-Japanese tube HF transceiver?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d39085.105657617@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 179977

On Thu, 29 Jan 1998 21:52:16 +0100, Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no> wrote:
>Following a discussion with a friend about what was the best "classic"
>tube transceiver ever made of non Japanese origin, we did not agree.
>Anyone got a view on the subject?
>Regards
>Olav Tveiten, Norway

If the "transceiver" could actually be in 3 boxes, I'd vote for the T4X, R4C,
AC4 from R. L. Drake. I'm not nearly as impressed with Drake's actual
transceiver products and might lean toward something by Swan instead.
Even the Galxay V Mk II was a potent little package which has its points
compared to a TR3 or TR4. The Collins KWM-2 was cranked out by the
ton to meet government contracts, but it wasn't really a very good radio
compared to some of the others.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

2967. Re: Myth #6: Keeping CW will save ham radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: willie@hit.handshake.de
Message-ID: <6mw2UkKj83B@hit-willie.hit.handshake.de>
Source record: 179978

Cutie (cute@radiotelephone.net.ham), hat am 30.01.98 geschrieben:

> cars and mobiles of 100 years ago in winter time. Think of
> abacus. It's obselete and it's stupid to force it to people.)

Tell this to Japanese fast-calculators.

Ciao 4 Now

Uwe

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U \/\/ E Willie willie@hit.handshake.de
Saarbruecken, Germany http://www.handshake.de/user/willie

2968. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d39188.1350382@news.total.net>
Source record: 179979
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On 31 Jan 1998 19:11:56 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>In article <34D39605.5682@nb.net>, DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> writes:
>
>>Well, I'm far from an old foggie and I say keep the CW
>requirement and get
>>rid of the no-coders!
>
>Luckilly for you, that will never happen. If it did, amateur radio would lose
>approximately 25% of it's licensees and, consequently, large chunks of
>frequency allocations...if not outright abolishment of the entire service.

yeah destroy ham radio. I am grad to see if it is all done by
pro-CWers. it will be really funny. hahahahahahahaaaaaaaaaa

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2969. Fact #1: Now you say CW requirement won't make good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d3925c.1562673@news.total.net>
Source record: 179980

Now, many pro-CWers say CW requirement won't make good hams, but who actually uses the CW are better hams (?) than the other hams (ie. 80m band).

Now, then what's the purpose of CW requirement ? You can't kick the garbages out because it doesn't "filter" bad hams right ? What are you going to do about it ??

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2970. Re: Myth #3: "No CW, it will become CB"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D3908E.358D@concentric.net>
Source record: 179981
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Roger that Monty. Couldn't have said it better or more tactfully
myself.

73s OM de KI5XW

Monty Wilson wrote:
>
> cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>
> > Some [Pro-CWers] say HF amateur bands will become CB band if
> >there is no CW requirement for HF bands.
>
> I don't like to state it in those terms because it's pure CB bashing. And I
> believe CB radio has its place. But a loosening of requirements, any
> requirements, for licensing will have the effect of allowing more unskilled
> and uninformed persons on the air. This is not per se a bad thing. In this
> case, good and bad are judgment calls, it depends on what kind of hobby
> and radio service you want. Consider this: do you think it would be a
> better or worse ham radio if all the tests were just replaced by an
> application to be sent to Washington with a $10 filing fee? Believe it
> or not, some people agree with you on this and others do not. It depends
> on what kind of hobby you want radio to be. For many of us, a ham radio
> license is an earned reward for study and practice. And isn't a prerequisite
> for getting into the hobby.
>
> >10 years ago before no-code license was created, many said the same
> >thing. "VHF bands would be flooded and would become worse than CB
> >radio" It didn't happen.
>
> Yes. And what else didn't happen? Hordes of techies who couldn't or
> wouldn't get up to dead-slow 5wpm code but were otherwise the most
> brilliant minds in the world were supposed to come running to ham radio and
> save the hobby. Listening to the extremists on either side is perhaps mildly
> amusing but basically a waste.
>
> >Umm... do the amateurs who do not go
> >through the CW elimination will be same as CBers...
> >Listen to 2m and 440. It's much clean compared to some HF bands
> >where you can listen to those CW foggies who breaks the law and makes
> >the bad representation of ham community.
>
> Cleaner from a language usage standpoint but dirtier from a standpoint of
> being populated by unskilled and uninformed people. This effect isn't fully
> realized yet, of course, because there are so many knowledgeable people

> on VHF that conversations tend toward science. But it is definitely
> changing. And when you make the comparison with HFers, don't let a
> few lids on 75m represent the whole of HFers. You must listen to 160, 17m,
> 15m, 30m, all the HF bands to make the overall representation.
>
> Oh, by the way, the "foggies" as you so call them who use bad language
> on SSB are NOT USING CW! They practiced enough to get an HF
> license and dropped it for the less respectful mode of SSB. This should
> tell you something. Maybe not.
>
> ......Monty.
> mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

2971. Re: Myth #11: There is Driver's License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: dnult <dnult@concentric.net>
Message-ID: <34D39105.2EE1@concentric.net>
Source record: 179982
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

As per your comment of putting questions on how to program your radio on
a ham test...sheezzz...RTFM. I could care less if you could program
your HT let alone turn it on.

de KI5XW

Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> There is Driver's License in most of (? or all ?) North America.
>
> When one takes an exam, the exam does not ask you how the engine works
> nor how the speed meter works. Instead, you get an exam which is
> directly related to actual operation of the vehicle... practical.
>
> For the amateur radio, CW takes care of almost everything (for HF
> bands). Knowing CW has nothing to do with actual operation of the
> radio... especially those who are looking for making contacts in
> voice.
>
> The amateur radio should focus more on practical part (ie. how to
> store the frequency into the memory etc. as many Pro-CWers who I know
> of don't know.), not CW.
>
> If someone wants to make a contact in CW, go ahead. Don't force
> it to others.
>
> It's like forcing driver license candidates to know how the
> engine works. If you want to know how the engine works because it
> may be useful in your life, go ahead. If you think it must be
> forced, you must be really strange.
>
> You say CW makes a good ham. You say the knowledge of engine makes a
> good driver. What a strange statement...
>
> [Myth End]
>
> ____
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2972. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d38f4f.781281@news.total.net>
Source record: 179983
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 20:00:17 GMT, rwclark@rwclark.seanet.com (Richard Clark) wrote:

(...)

>CW presents a form of code, encryption, digitization,
>whatever-you-may-call-it, that is commonly available throughout the
>world. When I say commonly available, this can be as literal as
>hearing someone define it. This constitutes an Oral tradition. It
>already has a protocol associated with it that is its own lingua
>franca (the Q code). This code requires no supplementary equipment to
>interface it to the user. Even more important, is that this code and
>protocol can be carried in your head, and practiced by hand. Being a
>primitive mode, it is not restricted to electrical transmission
>(lights, bells and whistles work as direct replacements within the
>constraints of range), nor does it require complicated
>synchronizations. As the mind is the ultimate signal processor,
>interfering signals are managed with far greater sophistication than
>the best digital techniques that require co-operation. This is not to
>say that the mind can outperform digital processes, rather it says
>that in an uncooperative, chaotic state, the mind will recover more
>data than a digital process.

hi.

we don't care nor interested in how the CW works.

we use digital. we don't like analog and i don't know why we have
to be forced with analog.

we can use CW. we don't use CW. we can use satellite and we can
use digital. we don't have to know how the CW works and we don't
have to be forced with it.

---

some say casette tape recording system is better for computer instead
of floppy disk. we just don't care. you look silly if you try to
force this obselete method.

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2973. Re: Morse Code (CW)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d397e6.2980910@news.total.net>
Source record: 179984
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 16:09:47 -0500, _chip_@ct2.nai.net (Chip) wrote:

>I find it interesting the hot debate on CW or no-CW. I think everyone is
>getting worked up over nothing. It's simple. The law requires CW for
>certain license levels. If you don't like, or don't believe in, CW then you
>have one choice of license class. It's that simple.

that's why we are trying to change it.

in 50s, many countries were having wars and the law required you to go
for war.

If you don't like, or don't believe in war then you had only one
chance. Die... or at least go to jail.
It was right to have wars and it was right... everything what the
government said was right. Think of Japanese and German totalitalism.
If I was in Japan at that time and refused to go for the war, they
took my head off. It was right and everything was right... you
were required and you were supposed to.

I am sure you will happy to live under the kinda totalitalian
government. The law says so, so you have to do so.

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2974. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D39A2A.296E6929@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 179985
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Tim Hynde wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
>
>
> > - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation
>
> Again, how many CW contacts have you made Masa?
>
> > - Not many people in the world know it.
>
> Wrong again dickbrain, tune in CQ WW CW and LISTEN instead of professing what you
> don't know about CW.
>
> Tim, ka8ddz
>
>
You were doing real good until that last para Tim, then you just had to
give the guy a new name. BTW, he is correct, not many people in the
world know morse code. And guess what, those that do are departing this
earth faster than new ones are learning. Since the military and other
services no longer use OOK no one feels compeled to learn unless of
course they want access to HF. And that rate, for the present is going
to decline.

Ed
d

2975. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Ed D USA Ret <hawk33@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D39651.1512D7E2@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 179986
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Lumpy - ABØGD wrote:
>
> Cutie Boy wrote:
>
> > Some additional comments about CW:
>
> > ... No real life conversation
>
> Masa commenting on real life communication.
> I think that belongs in the humor NG.
>
> - Lumpy
>
> --

You might want to take a good look at all his postings and you may find more than meets the eye. He is obviously conversing in your language and not his which makes it seem "Funny" to you but maybe you could help him out and use his for a while. He could be crazyer than a bed bug but I doubt it.

Ed
d

2976. mint DX-20 Heath FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34D2F37D.47C7@earthlink.net>
Source record: 179996

I have a very, very, nice Heathkit DX-20 for sale can be seen at http:/home.earthlink.net/~docky It is in operation have made several contacts recently...Needs no restoration what so ever...take a look and make me an offer...73 Gary K0IMJ look under "transmitters"

2977. Cap tested FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Gary Wood <docky@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <34D30571.2DB5@earthlink.net>
Source record: 179997

Heathkit IT-22 very nice unit looks and works like new, can be seen at
http://home.earthlink.net?~docky

2978. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131000501.TAA15169@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179998

In article <19980130201100.PAA29289@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>Cmon, Drew... what does that have to do with the original post? The guy
>is
interested in learning the code. got a problem with somebody
>learning
something? I think cribbage is pretty useless, but I won't try to
>discourage
you from learning how to play.

But a government-issued license is not required in order to play cribbage.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2979. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131000501.TAA03613@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 179999

In article <19980130201101.PAA29283@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>The thing with Billary will be resolved through due process.
>Hopefully,
whatever resolution we get will be the right one. It might not,
>though, and we
may just have to accept that the system is not perfect.

Tyhe system is a joke. It was broken a long time ago. Fortunately, people are finally starting to wake up and take notice. Only problem is that they do not always respond in the most effective manner when they do realize how corrupt their government has become. This is what the Oklahoma City bombing was all about.

>BTW,
>maybe this thread should move to another ng. Been going a while and
>it
doesn't seem to have much relevance, and the entertainment value is
>approaching
nil after so long.

Well, people keep responding and it seems to have no trouble attracting posters. Everyone has something to say on the matter. And don't you agree...it sure beats the endless code vs no-code arguments, right?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2980. Re: FS: Wilcox-Gay Recordio #3F.10 Reel to Reel tube portable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131000500.TAA15181@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180000

In article <6aspgummu9@csu-b.csuohio.edu>, l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu (Bostonian) writes:

>WILCOX-GAY RECORDIO (Recordio not a spelling mistake) MODEL 3F.10 Reel to
>Reel Mono TUBE PORTABLE. Full-sized very old (early 1950's??) portable that
>handles 7 inch reels. Has the 1950's styling.

Made by Wilcox-Gay of
>Charlotte, Mich./Brooklyn, New York

I'll bet the LAMBDAs sure like to operate a piece of "equipment" like this ;-)

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2981. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131000500.TAA03619@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180001

In article <34d22e35.7083286@news.gv.net>, jim@rst-engr.com (Jim Weir) writes:

>OK, "duckbrain", you want credentials? My logbook started in '59 and has
>a
few thousand CW contacts. That was back in the days when we were
>required
to log each contact. I suspect I've had a few thousand since
>then
unlogged. I don't know if you were born by '59, but with a KA8 call,
>you
sure as hell weren't licensed then.

sigh More tired, old stories by ancient prune-facss about the "good old
days."

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

2982. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: n4jvp@ix.netcom.com
Message-ID: <34d36a91.520683@snews.zippo.com>
Source record: 180002
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On 30 Jan 1998 17:30:48 GMT, kc5egg@ix.netcom.com(Gerald Schmitt)
wrote:

>
>As a side note poor Yuri is now buried in the Kremlin wall after
>succuming to the wonderful Russian medical system. He died while
>undergoing a hemroid operation. First in space only to be killed by a
>third world infrastructure.
>
>
> Jerry
>
Make that note way off to the side. Yuri Gagarin died in an aircraft
accident during a routine training mission in 1968.

de n4jvp

2983. WTB: Kantronics Ham-Text or AEA MBA-TOR cartridge for C-64

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: te@4u.net
Message-ID: <34d27a5a.10083210@news.concentric.net>
Source record: 180003
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

I am looking for either a Kantronics Hamtext cartridge or an AEA
MBA-TOR cartridge for the Commodore 64 computer. I would also be happy
just getting a copy of either program on a commodore floppy disk. I
want to get my old C-64 back running for RTTY use. I am also looking
for an AEA CP-1 RTTY interface with manual. Would also consider a
CP-100. Please reply via email.
--
Tim, K8TJ

2984. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2de7$42f527e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180004

RCrusoe <rcrusoe@aol.com> wrote in article
<19980130105200.FAA20341@ladder03.news.aol.com>...
> In article <01bd2d1d$e463f720$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
> <wa6vse@fast.net> writes:
>
> Lots of snips here, folks... this thing is getting pretty long
>
>
> The point is that requiring anyone to
> >take *any* Morse test is a form
> of "hazing ritual" since there is no real
> >justification for requiring
> Morse at all in today's world.
>
> Nobody is required to undergo this "hazing". You hold up modern technology
as
> the only way to go... VHF and above are even better venues for use of
advanced
> methods than HF. Could you imagine a 20 meter/40 meter satellite repeater?
> EME? A lot of exciting things are hapenning in the high bands, and there is
no
> need to use HF if the code is a burden.

Come on ... get real ... the attraction of HF is PROPAGATION and what can
be done there (and I'm NOT talking about calling CQ Contest or CQ DX) ...
and there is much work to be done in improving the utilization of (and
performance of equipment/modes for) our HF bands that can ONLY be done by
USING those bands, since the variability of the channel impairments associated
with ionospheric propagation modes is virtually totally absent at VHF/UHF ...

> > What good does
> >it do to have a throughput of a kilobaud if I can only type
> > about 35 WPM?
> >Computer-assisted digital modes are indeed superior for
> handling
> > messages,
> >but the extra throughput is waaaay overkill for casual ragchewing.
> >
> >Bandwidth is the benchmark for that
>
> READ MY LIPS ... it doesn't matter how
> >fast (or slow) you can type ...
> the ability to transmit data in rapid bursts
> >leaves the channel free for
> others to use during the "dead times" ... thus,

> >the "I can't type that
> fast" argument is lame.
>
> Again, now we are requiring the use of a computer. If nothing else, for
> collision prevention and recovery, error correction, automatic power level
> adjustment, etc fur the optimum use you suggest.

Doesn't have to be a full-blown PC, though they are getting cheap unless
you *have* to have the latest and greatest 300MHz MMX 128MB RAM 8GB HD
super-wiz-bang dual CPU dual PCI bus screaming monster ... a $2.00 (or
less) microcontroller chip can handle the basic protocols ... and DSP MIPS
are cheap, too ... one major DSP manufacturer recently announced a 100 MIPS
DSP designed for inexpensive consumer electronics that sells for under $5
(that's five bucks) in modest quantities ...

> > Not all of us have computers... all of us hams, that
> >is.
>
> You apparently do ... so does everyone else here on the net ...
> or
> >have you figured out how to key today's modem standards by
> hand and copy them
> >by ear???
>
> Yes. I apparently do. Probably half of all hams don't. I would rather require
a
> hand-sendable, ear-decodable mode than require the purchase and use of a
> computer.

Why? I would submit that folks would be FAR better served in today's world
by acquiring some computer skills than learning a piss-poor, manual encoding
and decoding scheme from the 1840's ... jeez ...

> It would suck carrying a computer around for communication on, say,
> a backpacking expedition, even if it were a notebook, when a Wes Hayward
style
> cigarette pack size HF transciever by itself could run off hat-mounted solar
> cells and weigh less than a half pound. Mobile, portable, etc long haul comms
> shouldn't need a computer.

Crap ... my Palm Pilot fits in my shirt pocket, does serial communications (not
to mention handwriting recognition) has more than enough horsepower, display
capability, etc. to serve as a terminal, and runs on 2 AAA alkaline batteries.
I've had the damned thing for over 2 years now and I'm just now starting on my
4th set of batteries. (In other words, 2 AAA cells have operated the thing, on
average, for nearly 6 months ... and I use it every day.) Only slightly larger
than your cigarette pack ...

> >> Get over the hang=up of "copying by ear" ... it's most
> >> inefficient.
> >
> > Doesn't seem inefficient to me. I hear and I understand,

> > as long as the other op stays below 30 and sends decent code.
> >
> > Most of us are issued ears at birth, and we may as well use them.

Most of us are issued brains at birth, too ... seems too many would
prefer not to use them for intelligence and progress, but relegate them
to stagnation and Pavlovian conditioned responses ...

>
> But the same
> >bandwidth could support MANY more users if more efficient
> modes (in terms of spectral use vs. time) were used ...
>
> Yes, compared to SSB, certainly.

NO, I'm saying "compared to OOK Morse, certainly."

> I agree that FSK under rough conditions and with weak signals could be easier
> to copy than straight OOK CW. But we are then back to two separate tones.

So what? At OOK Morse-like signalling rates, they could be spaced VERY close
together and with proper shaping of baseband data the spectrum could be
narrower
than the necessary bandwidth for OOK Morse ... that's the point that you are
missing (or choosing to ignore ... I'm not sure which is the case) PSK could,
of course do even better, but is admittedly a tad more complex to demodulate
than simple FSK ... though a PSK modulator is flat-out simple.

> Again, your last statement is pretty much true. I think I read something
> somewhere about FSK morse. sounds good to me cuz nothing is ambiguous... i.e.
a
> lack of signal could not be mistaken for a space if one of two tones is
> required to be present at all times.

You appear to be *starting* to get the drift of what I'm trying to tell you
... the lack of ambiguity gives a 3 dB advantage for starters, and there's
more where that came from ... quite a few dB more that are "easy pickings."

> And again, you are back to using more
> bandwidth than CW. due to having at least two distinct tones.

NO, NO, NO!!!!!!!!!!! Read above about signalling rates, tone spacing,
and required bandwidth ... also read Gary's excellent posts on required
bandwidths for OOK Morse and the advantages of "fully-voiced" modulations
(which is what you are getting to in recognizing the advantages of using
two tones vs. tone/no-tone) and the advantages of uniform codes, matched
filters, etc. ... read Shannon, Nyquist, and others ... learn something
about modern communications systems design, information theory, etc.,
rather than wallowing in demonstrably flawed/false Morseodist dogma ...
(sorry ... I started to rant at you a bit here, but it is ***SO***
frustrating when people effectively walk outside on a clear day, look
up at the sun, and proclaim "Damn it's dark out tonight!")

> I'll tell you what, Carl. Come on down and find a dumpstered computer
> anywhere in the valley. I'll buy it from you.

What valley are we talking about here? Besides, it's a moot point with
you, since you already have a freaking computer ... put it to use.

> Morse code was invented in the 1840s ...
>
> CW wasn't

When people say "CW" they *really* are referring to OOK Morse ...
let's not split hairs here, since we BOTH know what the hell
we're talking about ... the fact that Morse is transmitted by
keying an RF carrier on and off rather than keying a DC circuit
over a pair of wires does NOT make Morse code "newer" ... it is
ancient, demonstrably poor signal/coding design, and cannot be
justified as a mandatory requirement for licensing of ANY kind.

> Nobody is forcing Morse on anybody.

Aw, come on ... be honest enough to admit that today the
rules are "If you want to use HF, you *have* to learn Morse
whether you want to or not." That *forces* anyone who
wants to use HF to learn Morse, even if they think it is
a stupid waste of time because they are NEVER, EVER going
to use it ... huge numbers of today's HF licensed hams
jumped through the hoop and haven't used Morse since ...
a pointless waste of time, energy, and wetware "CPU cycles"
that could have been FAR better spent actually learning
something useful or planning/training better for emergencies.

> Well, Baudot might be slightly more painful to learn, since every character
> would be 5 bits. Not so many easy ones. I think morse is still ideal for ear
> copy even if FSK is used. Nevertheless, I can tell when RYRYRYRY or CQ CQ CQ
> etc are sent at 45 Baud RTTY. The sounds are indeed ear-discernable even if
not
> easily decodable.
>
> Good arguments, Carl. You reason pretty well and you obviously know your
stuff.
> You still haven't convinced me, though. Nevertheless you have earned my
> respect.

Thanks for your kind words ... and again, sorry for starting to rant
a bit ... you are 10,000% more rational and willing to even consider
the possibility of new ideas than most of the pro-coders who frequent
these newsgroups ... even if I haven't fully convinced you to change
your mind (yet) :-)

73,

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Carl - wa6vse
wa6vse@fast.net

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2985. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2de7$8b251340$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180005
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

DoD COMM <xxx@nb.net> wrote in article <34D17963.3BE8@nb.net>...
> Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
> >
> >
> > TTY is MUCH closer to modern communications methods than Morse ...
> >
> > Carl - wa6vse
> > wa6vse@fast.net
>
> Let's see...the machine I use for RTTY was made in 1942.
> Yep, that's "modern" communications!
>
> Walt.
> CW FOREVER!

Old machine, old mode, old man mentality ... how ancient
ARE you Walt? Did you learn the code from Mr. Morse hisself???

--
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2986. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2de7$e18188e0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180006
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org> wrote in article
<34D1E1FD.2C45@scan.missouri.org>...
> > > Dr. Bellows wrote:
> > >
> > > > It would sure suck to have
> > > > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > > > to talk letter by letter in code!!
>
>
> Sure would--unless you were stuck in a blizzard at a phone booth, the
> only sign of civilization in view, and some vandal had removed the phone
> booth's mike cartridge. Then it might be helpful indeed, you could just
> dial up the ARRL HQ and send your message of desperation in code!
>
> Don't bother to call Carl or Lennie or Charlie, they would be of no
> help at all.
>
> Dick W0EX

Just send slowly, Dick ... I can still copy ... though I'm not up
"the standards of excellence" that you pro-coders demand o consider
one a "real ham."

--
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2987. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d2863d.8508644@news.total.net>
Source record: 180007
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 19:50:29 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Yes! Get yours today! The Canadian Amateur Basic Qualification Study Guide by
>Cutieboy.
>Chock full of spelling errors, incorrect information, and MUCH MUCH MORE!

I am taking the info directly from the exams. If my study guide is
wrong, then the exams are wrong. Well... too bad.

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
�tudient @ Informatique et Math�matiques d'Universit� McGill
Montr�al, Qu�bec, Canada
C�: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
License Suggestion: http://www.radiotelephone.net/no-code/

Enlevez l' " .ham " pour r�pondre.
Please remove "ham" to reply.

ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

2988. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Carl R. Stevenson" <wa6vse@fast.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2dec$ae7e81a0$0100005a@wa6vse>
Source record: 180008
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

dnult <dnult@concentric.net> wrote in article <34D27007.882@concentric.net>...
> I think CW is fun. I started as a novice in 1984 and logged over 100 CW
> contacts. Most of my unique contacts are CW.
>
> The reason the majority of hams don't use CW (and I'm not convinced of
> your metric) is because the no code test flooded the bands with no-code
> operators.

You missed an important and revealing point ... the ARRL survey showed
that only 27% OF HF-LICENSED, CODE-TESTED hams use Morse "regularly"
1% did not answer, and the remaining 72% said either "never" or "rarely."
Again, this was code-tested, HF-licensed hams, not counting all of the
no-code techs ...

> Wonder what the population of hams will be if CW is eliminated as a test
> requirement.

Much larger and probably *much* more technically qualified.

--
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2989. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131023500.VAA08948@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180009

In article <19980131000501.TAA15169@ladder03.news.aol.com>, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) writes:

>

But a government-issued license is not required in order to play
>cribbage.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK
>TOUGH!!"

So? He asked for advice on how to learn the code. His decision to learn was already made, and he had already begun and had made some progress. The discussion had nothing to do with licensing or licensing requirements.

Now SHOOO!

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

2990. Re: Myth #10: People are complaining because they don't want to do anything

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131023501.VAA27314@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180010

In article <34D2741C.5F74@concentric.net>, dnult <dnult@concentric.net> writes:

>
Hey I have an idea...if this thread was required to be sent in CW, I
>bet
cutsie boy would have given up at myth #1

Naaaah... He'd send it anyway, even if it sounded awful.

A better idea might be to reply by CW.
73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.........

2991. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131025600.VAA12227@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180011

In article <01bd2de7$42f527e0$0100005a@wa6vse>, "Carl R. Stevenson"
<wa6vse@fast.net> writes:

>
Thanks for your kind words ... and again, sorry for starting to rant
a bit
>... you are 10,000% more rational and willing to even consider
the
>possibility of new ideas than most of the pro-coders who frequent
these
>newsgroups ... even if I haven't fully convinced you to change
your mind
>(yet) :-)

HI HI You haven't FULLY convinced me to change my mind? You haven't even started and are getting nowhere. Nevertheless your arguments show a desire to present what you know in a logical manner. I don't agree with most of your premises and a couple of points of logic, but at least you avoid the Drew/Masa style of influencing the views of others and for that you are to be commended.

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dit diddy-dit dit.....

2992. GROL Info Needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: jrgent-nospam@hhs.net
Message-ID: <34d29076.3649931@news.hhs.net>
Source record: 180012

I am thinking about getting my General Radiotelephone Operator License. I have a prep book that has the FCC Question pool as of March 3, 1994. Could someone tell me if the question pool has been upated since then? Thanks....

2993. *WTB: RS HTX-202 *BELTCLIP*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: teenham@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131032601.WAA05723@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180013

Hey there...

I am posting this message for a friend, he is looking for a belt clip (which also acts a heat sink) for the Realistic HTX-202 2 Meter HT. Perhaps you have one from a old "junked" 202? Please contact me and I will give you his phone number. His call is N3YMT. If you have a belt clip (to sell), please e-mail me back. Thank you.

73 DE N3ZVM
http://members.aol.com/EugeneD

2994. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6au7ne$fqq@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180014
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,

Bellows - why are you cross-posting this thread to r.r.shortwave?

Bellows <abellows@idog.com> wrote:
>And actually, it is not even a language, just a more slow and

You say that because your code speed is so slow. After awhile, you don't hear the individual letters, but rather, entire words. When someone sends say, -.-. ...., the idea "chess" enters my thoughts - same mental process as when I finally became proficient in Vietnamese - no longer did I have to translate "an com" to the word "food" - instead, the mental picture "food" entered my thoughts.

Keep working on your code speed, Bellows, and you'll come to the realization that your remarks are false.

Jeff KH2PZ
(followups directed to just .policy)

2995. FS: 1950's Reel to Reel Portable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: l.mclaughlin@popmail.csuohio.edu
Message-ID: <6au8q0$8f6$14@csu-b.csuohio.edu>
Source record: 180015

A CLASSIC COLLECTABLE VINTAGE AMPRO REEL TO REEL RECORDER

I can email a color photos of the unit for your
review, if you wish in the .jpg file format.

AMPRO CORP MODEL 758 TWO SPEED HI-FI REEL TO REEL TAPE
RECORDER -- MID 1950'S IN NICE PHYSICAL SHAPE
ORDER, but will need apparently minor adjustments & lube.

- GREAT 1950'S ERA BEAUTIFUL STYLING & DESIGN WITH:

- GREAT UNIT FOR REEL TO REEL COLLECTORS OR FOR SOMEONE
WHO JUST WANTS A GOOD OLD FASHIONED HIGH QUALITY MONO
UNIT.

The interior panel is like new and the case is very good with a
few scratches on the bottom and some minor dings, etc, but very
minor for a unit of this age. We're talking about 40+ yrs!

Unit needs adjustment/attention--The playback is sluggish at either
speed,
thus slurring the words, etc. This will require attention.
Have a copy of the SAMS PHOTOFACTS repair manual for it.

$75 plus U.S. Parcel Post Insured shipping cost, which isn't
much. I'll pack it free.

I can email a color photos of the unit for your
review, if you wish in the .jpg file format.

Thank you.

2996. operating in the United Arab Emirates - for an expat??????? UAE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Paul Newman <pauln@ozemail.com.au>
Message-ID: <6aua8t$b7i$1@droppa.tpgi.com.au>
Source record: 180016
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

would appreciate any info on whether a non national can obtain a license or
can operate in the UAE? i currently have an australian license(vk8pn) and a
UK license (g4kim) - i am an australian citizen and may soon be transfered
to the uae for a 2 yesr stint
many thanks
paul
vk8pn

2997. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D2B6FB.6FAC6A6A@flash.net>
Source record: 180017
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 19:50:29 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
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> >Cutieboy.
> >Chock full of spelling errors, incorrect information, and MUCH MUCH MORE!
>
> I am taking the info directly from the exams. If my study guide is
> wrong, then the exams are wrong. Well... too bad.

Well here is a quote from your "Amateur Radio and Professional Radio Certificate Exam Information" document.

"By the government regulations, all aircrafts in air and the air traffic control must have at least one person who holds the radio operator's certificate for aeronautical. For your information, for the aircrafts, usually, the pilots hold the certificates. Nowadays, the pilots operate the aircrafts and communicate with air traffic control at the same time"

Buddy, if this was taken directly from an exam, or study guide Canada is in a heap of trouble.
But we both know this didn't come from a Government publication now don't we.

Damn Masa, I bet your parents popped the cork when you got on that plane for Vancouver. I can almost hear your Dad giving a hearty Howard Stern "hee hee Yeeeaaaa Babyyy" as the plane door closed.

Tim, ka8ddz

Quote of the century:
"... there was no radio license 200 years ago... so is
it possible to transmit anything today ?? no... same concept." - Cutie Boy, 98

2998. Re: Computer control of Yeasu HF--Comments?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Yelman Heppmolle <expol@windmix.net>
Message-ID: <01bd2e16$2282d640$669192ce@default>
Source record: 180018

The Yeasu? Is that like the Kinwud, Ikum or Alenko? Maybe the Hamerlind
or Culins

jonk <jonk@moonlink.net> wrote in article
<34D0B60D.661EBD60@moonlink.net>...
> Hi all,
> I'm looking for recommendations/ comments on any software designed
> to use the CAT function of the Yeasu HF rigs(mine is FT-840). It would
> be nice if this control software also functioned as a DX logger. Any
> such animal out there?
>
> Thanks for your help.
>
> 73s de Jonathan ko6xs
>

2999. Wanted: QRG Extension for C-710 Standard

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: FUNK-TELEGRAMM@t-online.DE
Message-ID: <34D2CDB2.44F0@t-online.de>
Source record: 180019

Hi,
I am looking for any QRG extension mod
for the Standard Tribander Handy C-710.

Many thanks for your help!

vy 73s from Hamburg
Joe, DL8HCZ
FUNK-TELEGRAMM@t-online.de

3000. DUBUS Magazin Info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: FUNK-TELEGRAMM@t-online.DE
Message-ID: <34D2D00F.3342@t-online.de>
Source record: 180020

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DUBUS is a quarterly published 100 page magazine
entirely devoted to DX-ing on VHF/UHF and Microwaves
(50 MHz .... 241 GHz). Fully bilangual written (English and German)
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DUBUS magazine 1992-1995: Preamps, PAs, Transverters, DJ9BV-Yagis...)
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Overseas Airmail: DM 40,- / USD 25,- (cash only)

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Many greetings from Hamburg
Joe, DL8HCZ
Manager DUBUS Magazine
E-mail: FUNK-TELEGRAMM@t-online.de

3001. WANTED KENWOOD TS 430 V INFO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Swtempo@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <6aulh6$cct@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180021

I'm looking for any and all mods and info on this rig.
Is this rig the same as the 430 S???
Will the mods I've found for the 430 S work for this rig??
Please email or post any info or links to web pages you may have.
Thank you very much!!

email swtempo@worldnet.att.net

3002. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D2C391.14DC@idoj.com>
Source record: 180022
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

DoD COMM wrote:
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> Carl R. Stevenson wrote:
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> >
> > TTY is MUCH closer to modern communications methods than Morse ...
> >
> > Carl - wa6vse
> > wa6vse@fast.net
>
> Let's see...the machine I use for RTTY was made in 1942.
> Yep, that's "modern" communications!
>
MANY years after 1800's Morse technology, or did you think Morse Code is
something NEW just invented in the 1990's?

3003. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D2C6CE.753@idoj.com>
Source record: 180023
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Richard Carroll wrote:
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> > > > to talk to someone on the telephone by only using the touch-tone keypad
> > > > to talk letter by letter in code!!
>
> Sure would--unless you were stuck in a blizzard at a phone booth, the
> only sign of civilization in view, and some vandal had removed the phone
> booth's mike cartridge. Then it might be helpful indeed, you could just
> dial up the ARRL HQ and send your message of desperation in code!
>

First of all, thier offices would probably be closed, and even if not,
what help could they provide from another state? I love the way you
people always have to come up with the most ridiculous situations in
order to show a usefull instance for Morse Code!!

How about this one, Some vandal ripped off the touch tone pad and
switchhook, and the payphone was continuously connected to a dedicated
line to the Police station in town where no one understands Morse Code,
and the only way to ask for help is by speaking into the mouthpiece?

Or how about, you are stranded in a city where the local ordinance
prohibits the use of Morse Code, you are stranded in your car with a
radio in which the Code Key is broken, the wires are cut off and you
have no tools, and the only way to ask for help is via the microphone on
your 2-meter radio, or via your cellphone?

I can make up just as many ridiculous situations as you can. But the
actual emergencies that I read about in QST always mention 2-meters and
repeaters, but NEVER mention Morse Code.

A Blizzard where a Phone Booth is the ONLY sign of civilzation in view,
and the Mic cartridge is missing!! You had to really make-up an
INCREDIBLE situation at the North Pole to find something usefull for
Morse Code eh!

3004. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Dr. Bellows" <abellows@idoj.com>
Message-ID: <34D2CA93.2016@idoj.com>
Source record: 180024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> > Good point!! MOST classes ARE a waste of time, and they should teach
> > things that one can USE later in life, NOT History, Literature, or
> > Physical Education. (I haven't been able to use ANYTHING from these
> > classes yet!!)
>
> BAD point!!
> 1.) Those who ignore history (or never read any) are doomed
> to repeat it.

Not true, First of all I don't HAVE a cherry tree to chop down, and
second of all, We find out now that all these silly stories that our
teachers told us in History are not even TRUE!!

> 2.) To write, you must be able to read (and therefore have
> been exposed to some literature).

If you learned how to write by the ancient literature assigned by
English teachers, no one in today's world would understand what you were
trying to say. Not too many people write like that in this century.

>
> 3.) a minimal level of physical conditioning is necessary
> for even moderately good health.

Running around a football field for 45 minutes non-stop in the winter
wearing gym shorts and a t-shirt is not going to promote good health,
not is Swimming laps 45 minutes non-stop after your lunch period!!
Or how about having a kid hit a rock hard ball with a wooden bat, while
all the other kids stand in FRONT of him in the direct path of the
flying ball!! "Dodge Ball" also comes to mind!! (The object is to
throw balls real hard at other kids.) REAL HEALTHY!!

>
> What else did you miss out on? Logic???

No, YOU forgot that one.

3005. Re: GROL Info Needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rcrusoe@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131080900.DAA23501@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180025

In article <34d29076.3649931@news.hhs.net>, jrgent-nospam@hhs.net (Jay) writes:

>
I am thinking about getting my General Radiotelephone Operator
License. I
>have a prep book that has the FCC Question pool as of
March 3, 1994. Could
>someone tell me if the question pool has been
upated since then?
>Thanks....

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It probably has, Jay. You can try W5YI group in Dallas. They sell reprints. Aslo you can get it straight from the GPO or a GPO bookstore. There is one in most major metropolitan centers. There is one in Houston, for innstance. W5YI Group, also going by NRE, National Radio Examiners, advertises in QST and other ham mags. I bet they will be happy to inform you if there is a newer revision available. They want your business, after all.

Don't go in cold, as the COLEM will charge you about $70 on average to take the test, and you don't want to waste it with a failing score. Do brush up on the current questions. Aditionally there is I believe a $35 application fee.

Contact the COLEM you plan to use for testing. They whould know the date of the last revision.

A curious thing about that Q&A pool is that all the technical stuff and much of the operating stuff is lifted word for word, Q&A for Q&A from the Advanced and Extra class pools. These questions were already tried and tested so this was easier for the FCC. For the Radiotelegraph elements, GMDSS elements, and Radar, I think they had some overworked stiff hammering them out on his lunch break. There were a LOT of wrong answers listed as the correct one, a lot of ambiguous or inaccurate grammar, etc. El. 3 was straight-up, thoughh, and element 1 was not too bad. You will be taking both of these elements unless you already hold a current Marine Radiotelephone Operator's Permit (MROP)

73 EVRBDY DE AB5VH (Robinson)
From the Beautiful Lower Rio Grande Valley
In the Great State of TEXAS
dit diddy-dit dit.....

3006. This Week in Amateur Radio #253 (for air through 2/6/98)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Stephan M. Anderman" <sanderman@delphi.com>
Message-ID: <RJbldwb.sanderman@delphi.com>
Source record: 180026

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Here is a summary of news items covered on edition #253 of
"This Week in Amateur Radio", North America's satellite-delivered
audio bulletin service, for the week ending 6-Feb:
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1. Andy Thomas, KD5CHF, Squeezes into Not-So-Cheap Space Suit
2. Barbara Morgan Appointed by NASA Newest Teacher/Astronaut
3. Phase 3D Satellite Could Fly "Stand-by" on A503 in May
4. Well-liked FCC Official Retires After 26-Year Career
5. Recovery Efforts Continue in Northern NY and New England
6. Hams Assist Red Cross in Fire Aftermath
7. Weekly Propagation Forecast
8. "Gateway 160 Meter Net Report" with Vern Jackson, WA0RCR
9. Special Event Station Calendar
10. "The RAIN Dial-up" from Chicago
11. Bill Continelli, W2XOY, Featured on WWCR 1/31 at 10 PM EST
12. * NEW * "Packet's Best Kept Secrets" with Bill Baran, N2FNH
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Funding for the program's transmission and production expense was
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Horace, North Dakota, where "This Week in Amateur Radio" is heard
via satellite Saturdays at 8:00 PM along the Red River Valley on
the W0ZOK repeater on 443.75 MHz.
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"This Week in Amateur Radio" is a weekly amateur voice bulletin
service, produced by Community Video Associates, Inc., a New York
State not-for-profit corporation based in Albany, NY. The
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at 9:00 PM (EST) on the Hughes Communications SBS-6 commercial
communications satellite, transponder 13B upper, located at 74
degrees west longitude in equatorial geosynchronous orbit. The
transponder center frequency is 12.019 GHz; tune up in frequency
to 12.031 GHz. Program audio is on the 6.2 MHz analog
subcarrier. A fee has been paid to W0KIE for access to the
satellite uplink.
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On the WorldWide Web, program audio can now be found in several
formats (including streaming audio) at http://www.roava.net/twiar
through the courtesy of the Blue Ridge Video and Digital Society
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of Roanoke, VA, and at http://user.icx.net/~ke4hsm/twiar.html with thanks to Greg Williams, KE4HSM, of Knoxville, TN. The service is carried on VHF/UHF repeaters throughout North America and by WA0RCR on 160 meters at 1860 kHz. Contact your local amateur radio club or repeater operator if "This Week in Amateur Radio" is not being heard in your area.

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3007. Info on Sommerkamp FT 250?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no>
Message-ID: <34D2FCF6.67592BE9@online.no>
Source record: 180027

Hi folks
Anyone got some information about the Sommerkamp FT 250 transceiver. It
is really a Yeasu isn't it?
Regards
Olav Tveiten

3008. Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: k5pf@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131113300.GAA02092@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180028

>
>No, there is a third force, which I suspect is in the majority. That
>is those of us who are damned sick and tired of seeing the same old
>Code/No Code arguments trotted out for the umpteenth time,

Amen!!!!!!!
I respect the participants right to say whatever they want. I, too, am a "lobbyist" and I make certain my voice is heard on subjects which are important to me.

However, the majority of text on the subject of Code/No Code is, as you say, endless repetition. Nothing new is being added to the debate. In fact, it seldom qualifies as a debate--it's more of a shouting match.

A couple of folks in here have indicated that this is not the only forum they use to advance their position. That's wonderful, and I respect that. But for most of the participants, I fear this is similar to the voter turnout record in this country.....

Polls on any subject ususally find about 18% with no opinion. That means 82% of those polled HAD AN OPINION on the subject. But when it comes time to go to the ballot box, voter turnout in the United States is DISMAL. Often only 10 to 40 percent.

So I will echo what others have said. If you have a strong feeling about the Code/No Code issue, don't just put it on the newsgroup. Spend your efforts and time where they will do some good. Write to those folks who can have an influence. And don't just quit an organization that doesn't agree with you on everything. Work from the inside to change it.

Example: As an ARRL member, I took exception to the League's support of the Kenwood proposal to sell Amateur equipment in truck stops. Instead of quitting, I worked as a member to change the position of the organization. To the credit of ARRL, the League stood up to one of it's largest advertisers and stopped promoting the proposal.

So WRITE. But TARGET YOUR MESSAGE. In addition to QST, I have been pleased to see my comments on various subjects printed in Popular Communications, the Wall Street Journal (twice), and National Geographic. I enjoy the newsgroup, but you can take it to the bank that the ARRL, the FCC, and my legislators know my stand on Code vs. No Code.

K5PF

3009. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131121701.HAA03884@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180029

In article <19980131023500.VAA08948@ladder03.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com (RCrusoe) writes:

>So? He asked for advice on how to learn the code. His decision to learn >was already made, and he had already begun and had made some progress. >The discussion had nothing to do with licensing or licensing requirements.

And I'm simply advising him that learning the code is a waste of his time and energies that could better be spent elsewhere.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3010. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131121701.HAA22336@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180030

In article <34D27007.882@concentric.net>, dnult <dnult@concentric.net> writes:

>I think CW is fun. I started as a novice in 1984 and logged over 100
>CW
contacts. Most of my unique contacts are CW.

That's fine. Most of us don't think it's fun...and more importantly, do not believe that an entire test element in it's proficiency is justified. We don't test for proper digipeter or packet operation, so why Morse code?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3011. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131121700.HAA03885@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180031

In article <34D2727B.7A3D@concentric.net>, dnult <dnult@concentric.net> writes:

>Oh Paleezzze. The ARRL is a non-profit organization. They don't
survive by
>selling code tapes. It would make more business since for
the ARRL to sell
>their wares to the flood of freeloaders that would
become hams if tickets
>were given away. The ARRL simply protects the
interests of hams like me who
>believe the code requirement serves a
useful purpose.

Which is exactly why their membership numbers keep declining. More and more hams who disagree with their position on the code issue are getting wise and refusing to financially support an organization which opposes them at every turn.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3012. Kenwood Radios at Truck Stops (was: Re: Don't confuse me w/facts.... my minds made up!)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131122401.HAA04247@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180032

In article <19980131113300.GAA02092@ladder03.news.aol.com>, k5pf@aol.com (K5pf)
writes:

>Example: As an ARRL member, I took exception to the League's support of
>the
Kenwood proposal to sell Amateur equipment in truck stops. Instead
>of
quitting, I worked as a member to change the position of the organization.
>To
the credit of ARRL, the League stood up to one of it's largest advertisers
>and
stopped promoting the proposal.

Ever hear of free enterprise? It is perfectly legal and acceptable for Kenwood
to sell their products in a truck stop, shopping mall, airport concessionary,
or wherever else they choose to. It is the individual BUYING the radio who is
responsible for it's proper and legal operation.

Typical of our deteorating society these days. Everyone's a victim, nobody's
responsible for their actions, we need the government and the ARRL to protect
us against ourselves.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3013. Re: Info on Sommerkamp FT 250?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: LA8ak@online.no
Message-ID: <34d301ad.4237793@news.sol.no>
Source record: 180033

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 11:29:11 +0100, Olav tveiten <olavtvei@online.no>
wrote:

>Hi folks
>Anyone got some information about the Sommerkamp FT 250 transceiver. It
>is really a Yeasu isn't it?
>Regards
>Olav Tveiten
>
no it is YAESU

Jan-Martin N&#65533;ding -
email: LA8AK@online.no

3014. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d312d3.73474622@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180034
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 11:03:03 -0600, dick sander <sander@aud.alcatel.com> wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote:
>> Much better techniques exist, and are in everyday use by amateurs
>> and non-amateurs. Clover 2000 is an example of the latter. It has
>> displaced much of the HF maritime CW communications traffic
>> which hasn't moved to satellite. It is small enough, simple enough,
>> and cheap enough that any HF radio equipped vessel can afford to
>> use it. That a few third world flagged vessels still don't is testimony
>> to their backwardness, not to their perspicacity.
>>
>> CW will probably be around for years to come in a hobbyist role,
>> for those who do not wish to do better, but its days as a mission
>> critical communications method are rapidly drawing to a close
>> precisely because it *isn't* the mode that gets through when
>> nothing else will.
>
>Gary as all your posts reveal, you're definitely pro digital
>communications.

Yes I am. They allow the ultimate in weak signal communications.
They allow the maximum content transfer under a given set of
conditions. And they are the most robust in the face of interference.
They allow us to operate at a lower power and with less expense
than do analog methods. And that allows a higher density of operations
in a given amount of spectrum which benefits everyone.

>As a ham that has never used anything but
>an old homebrew ST-5 and model 15 on RTTY in the 70s, I have
>a couple of questions:
>
>Please discuss digital modes from a "pileup" standpoint, not from a
>single point-to-point contact in deep space wheareas SNR is the only
>critera.
>
>From a practical point of view, If I'm in a "real" 20m DX pileup with
>the big guns (all using a 21st century digital mode) will the digital
>modes be any better to work the DX station; ie, will they "capture" like
>FM? Does the DX station have to be exactly on freq to lock in? How does
>all the digital stuff keep from colliding in the pileup and going
>bananas?
>Is digital only good for one-on-one contacts without 200 stations trying
>to make contact?

What you are describing is precisely the situation a server faces on a busy LAN when a number of processes attempt to communicate with it. Good digital protocols arbitrate such situations so that the requests que up in an orderly fashion and are handled with the least conflict. This maximizes the utility of the available spectrum. In a peer-peer network, this is done using p-persist backoff alogrithms. In a master-slave network, it is done by token passing.

The same techniques can be applied to amateur radio Dx gaming. Of course I'm afraid that the traditional Dxer won't appreciate it because it turns a competitive situation into a cooperative situation, and Dxers abhore cooperation. That's why the digital Dxer crowd still uses RTTY instead of a protocol mode which would enforce cooperation. It is a machismo thing, a power game, and protocol modes remove the advantage of excess power and aggressive behavior.

Gary

Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

3015. Center frequencies (and decoders)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kvenl@dds.nl
Message-ID: <34d35d52.645829@news.euro.net>
Source record: 180035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi all!

If you (have) use(d) a decoder for util stations or other dig signals,
what is the center freqeuncy you use?
Just inquiry (curious)...

Thanks!

Kees van Engelen

The Netherlands

3016. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6av5qe$185$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180036

In article <01bd2de7$42f527e0$0100005a@wa6vse>,
Carl R. Stevenson <wa6vse@fast.net> wrote:

>Come on ... get real ... the attraction of HF is PROPAGATION and what can
>be done there (and I'm NOT talking about calling CQ Contest or CQ DX) ...
>and there is much work to be done in improving the utilization of (and
>performance of equipment/modes for) our HF bands that can ONLY be done by
>USING those bands, since the variability of the channel impairments associated
>with ionospheric propagation modes is virtually totally absent at VHF/UHF ...

You're absolutely right, Carl. I agree 100% with what you say in this
paragraph.

However, I pose this question to you:

The Codeless VHF license was supposed to spur technical innovation on our
VHF bands. We were told that there were all these geniuses who were just
chomping at the bit to get into amateur radio, if not for that nasty code
requirement. Okay, this sounds reasonable on its face, and since code is
not required for access above 30MHZ, we eliminated it.

But, where are all the promised technical innovations on VHF? Its been
7 years now. Certainly we should see *something* by now. Can you name one,
single, solitary technical innovation created and contributed to the hobby
by a Codeless Tech, which wouldn't have been implemented in the hobby if
not FOR the Codeless Tech license?

Given that the Codeless VHF licenses has not produced any technical
innovations, why should we create a Codeless HF license with those
same expectations?

It is simply not logical.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
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-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

3017. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131125201.HAA24170@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180087

In article <6av5qe$185$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>,
kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM (Michael P. Deignan) writes:

>But, where are all the promised technical innovations on VHF? Its been
7
>years now. Certainly we should see *something* by now. Can you name
>one,
single, solitary technical innovation created and contributed to the
>hobby
by a Codeless Tech, which wouldn't have been implemented in the hobby
>if
not FOR the Codeless Tech license?

Better question: how many earth-shattering, technical breakthroughs have been created by ANY ham in the last 7 years...coded or not? Very few, I'll bet. These days, it's the computer nerds that make the world go 'round. Ham operators ceased to be important contributors to cutting-edge technology LONG ago!

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3018. Rain Dial-up for week of Jan 30, 1998

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: arnoldr@ollie.ralabs.com
Message-ID: <34d26623.1870725@news.axess.net>
Source record: 180088

The following is posted here at the request of Hap KC9RP who currently does not have newsgroup access. You can contact Hap directly about the RAIN Dialup at:

hholly@ollie.ralabs.com

The RAIN Dialup for the week of January 30, 1998 features:

"Web-Controlled Kenwood TS440S"

Have you dreamed of listening to the radio spectrum (100 Khz to 30 Mhz) hundreds or thousands of miles away? It's now reality via the Internet.
RAIN Founder/Producer Hap Holly/KC9RP interviews central New York resident Bob Arnold/N2JEU about his web-controlled Kenwood TS440S. (12 minutes, 46 seconds)

The RAIN Dialup updates Fridays on the worldwide web at rrsta.com/rain. A 28.8 or faster modem is required for our Real Audio 3.0 streamming audio there. This program will be on line through Thursday evening at area code 847-827-RAIN and rrsta.com/rain. The RAIN Dialup is copyrighted 1998, all rights reserved. Audio distribution of this service is licensed to the following:

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H.F.: the WA0RCR 160-Meter Gateway Radio Newsletter (Saturdays at 8 PM central on 1860 Khz AM from Wentzville, Mo);

satelite: This Week in Amateur Radio (9 PM Eastern Saturdays on SBS 6, 13B Horizontal, 5.8 Mhz audio).

unrestricted local VHF/UHF over the air dissemination of the RAIN Dialup is encouraged.

3019. Reset of MT1000??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <6av65l$8fv@snews1.newsguy.com>
Source record: 180089

Anyone know how to reset the controller on an MT1000?? Had a glitch during programming and now will not talk to computer. Motorola says that I have to send it to the repair to have it reset. Got any ideas on how to do it myself??
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

3020. Need copy of toolkit version 1.8

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Greg <n3nri@innernet.net>
Message-ID: <6av65n$8fv@snews1.newsguy.com>
Source record: 180090

Need a copy of toolkit 1.8 or higher version....can anyone help??
Greg
n3nri@innernet.net

3021. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d32be6.2235319@news.total.net>
Source record: 180091
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 00:30:37 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>"By the government regulations, all aircrafts in air and the air traffic control
>must have at least one person who holds the radio operator's certificate for
>aeronautical. For your information, for the aircrafts, usually, the pilots hold the
>certificates. Nowadays, the pilots operate the aircrafts and communicate with air
>traffic control at the same time"

>Buddy, if this was taken directly from an exam, or study guide Canada is in a heap
>of trouble.

huh ?

>But we both know this didn't come from a Government publication now don't we.

>Damn Masa, I bet your parents popped the cork when you got on that plane for
>Vancouver. I can almost hear your Dad giving a hearty Howard Stern "hee hee
>Yeeeaaaa Babyyy" as the plane door closed.

I am talking about Aeronautical license. I am not talking about
amateurs in air traffic control or aircraft.

Joli Gar&#65533;on (&#65533;galement connu comme M@S@)
Indicatif d'appel de radioamateur: VA2QRU & VE7JPN
&#65533;tudient @ Informatique et Math&#65533;matiques d'Universit&#65533; McGill
Montr&#65533;al, Qu&#65533;bec, Canada
C&#65533;: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
URL : http://www.radiotelephone.net (Universel)
http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit&#65533; McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
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3022. Re: operating in the United Arab Emirates - for an expat??????? UAE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <34D32858.5408@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 180092
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Paul Newman wrote:
>
> would appreciate any info on whether a non national can obtain a license or
> can operate in the UAE? i currently have an australian license(vk8pn) and a
> UK license (g4kim) - i am an australian citizen and may soon be transfered
> to the uae for a 2 yesr stint
> many thanks
> paul
> vk8pn

Hi Paul -- OH2MCN has a page devoted to information on licensing abroad
for radio amateurs at URL:
http://www.clinet.fi/~jukka/license.html

73
Rod in San Diego
--
AC6V INDEX TO DX AND HAM RADIO
FEATURING 70 PAGES AND 2000 LINKS
http://pw2.netcom.com/~ac6v/pageas.html

3023. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d32cb6.2442754@news.total.net>
Source record: 180093
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 00:30:37 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Well here is a quote from your "Amateur Radio and Professional Radio Certificate
>Exam Information" document.

We are talking about BASIC STUDY GUIDE.

Please don't change the topic.
I never advertised the exam information document.

ANYHOW... I am sure you are a perfect person & who offends anyone who
you like.

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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http://www.radiotelephone.net/amateur/ (Radio)
http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

Visit this excellent site
why code has no importance to the amateur radio today:
http://www.nocode.org
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3024. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d32db4.2696801@news.total.net>
Source record: 180094
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 23:07:32 -0500, Michael Black <blackm00@CAM.ORG>
wrote:

>Anyone serious about amateur radio in Canada would do well to visit the
>Radio Amateurs of Canada website first, at
> http://www.rac.ca

>Not only does it have information, but it also has links (including to the
>"McGill Amateur Radio Club Study Guide" at Cutie Boy's site) to well
>established pages Canadian ham pages that carry items of interest to both
>beginners and old timers.

>It also has lists of local ham clubs across Canada, distributors that
>carry RAC study guides, and a list of upcoming hamfests in Canada.

RAC study guide isn't free. That's the problem.

>The site is comprehensive enough that people really ought to go to it for
>their first search for information here in Canada.

> If a site is not
> linked, I'm sure they would be glad to add a link. It's a whole lot
> easier to go to one page and branch out from there than stumble across
> somebody's webpage that may or may not be the best source. I have seen
> other good Canadian websites for amateur radio, but there is no sense in
> listing them since they do have links at the RAC site.

>The RAC has also recently integrated the RAQI website into the overall
>site, for those looking for French material.

>As for the study guide in the subject header, I don't know whether it's
>useful or not. A little problem of using a Mac Plus (wasn't someone
>comparing a 286 to CW?) that I doubt could run the software to view a PDF
>file.

PDF reader is available in format of IBM clone, MAC, SUN OS, UNIX.

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http://www.geocities.com/~masataka/mcgill.htm (Universit� McGill)

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3025. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d32c4d.2337569@news.total.net>
Source record: 180095
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 12:30:18 GMT, ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman)
wrote:

>They allow us to operate at a lower power and with less expense
>than do analog methods.

The computer allows us to operate at much lower power with less
expense than the CW methods. So what ????

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3026. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d32eb3.2951633@news.total.net>
Source record: 180096
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 31 Jan 1998 12:17:55 GMT, cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:

>>I think CW is fun. I started as a novice in 1984 and logged over 100
>>CW contacts. Most of my unique contacts are CW.

>That's fine.
> Most of us don't think it's fun...
^^^^^^^^^^
yeah CB RAMBO !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

> and more importantly, do not
>believe that an entire test element in it's proficiency is justified.

> We don't
>test for proper digipeter or packet operation, so why Morse code?

because the old foggies say so.

because the old foggies believe in old stuffs. because the old
foggies wanna ride cars 100 years ago and stick with 286 machines and
with CW.....

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3027. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131140501.JAA11841@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180097

>Most of us don't think it's fun...and more importantly, do not
>believe that an entire test element in it's proficiency is justified.

No one cares what you think

3028. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d31a52.75393770@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180098
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 20:17:03 +0000, Philip de Cadenet
<philip@two-way.demon.co.uk> wrote:
>Don't knock them,
>Russia has a third world economy primarily due to rife corruption and
>the indemic mafia problem.

I know. They have the natural resources and educated population to become a major economic power. But they suffered for nearly a century under a political system which wouldn't let them create a dynamic economy, and now they have a chaotic power vacuum as they try to transition to a market economy. It's going to be tough because they have a legacy of neglected infrastructure (both physical and institutional) to build to get to a competitive situation.

An example of the problem can be extracted from recent headlines. The Russian telephone system is *the pits*. The cost of bringing it up to Western levels is prohibitive, so the Russians have wisely chosen to jump over the wired stage and go directly to advanced wireless phone service. They've contracted with Qualcom to install CDMA PCS systems. But institutional problems have caused inordinate delays and cost overruns. The most recent example was of a Qualcom employee arrested for using a GPS receiver to survey a coverage area. He needed to know where things were, so obviously he must be a spy. Sheesh!

>>I'm not surprised. Russia is a third world economy which attempted
>>to field a first world military. But aside from the trappings of nuclear
>>weapons and missiles, it never succeeded.
>I've just returned from Krivoy Rog in Ukraine, part of the former USSR,
>and it would open even your educated eyes if you had even an inkling as
>to what the present military are up to in their supposedly secret
>underground bases in this country. Right up there with the HAARP
>project, and they're not looking at the damn weather.

Heh, HAARP is hardly high tech, just high power. I'm well aware that the ex-Soviets developed some impressive technical weapons. As I've noted, they have the brain power. But what they lack is the economic infrastructure to widely deploy advanced technical systems. For the bulk of their forces, they have been forced to try to make up in raw numbers for what they lack in ability to mass produce advanced technical systems.

During the Cold War, a number of analysts suggested that raw numbers was a substitute for high technology that would rebound to the advantage of the Soviets. But the reality, demonstrated again

and again in the Middle East's wars where front line equipment of
both sides clashed, was that high tech wins, and wins in a dramatic
and overwhelming way.

>> Much of its infrastructure
>>is still primitive. They even still make vacuum tubes over there.
>Yes, Sylvania, in St Petersburg is the worlds largest tube manufacturer!
>> But
>>they do know better. Some of the best data algorithms have come
>>from Russians. They just don't yet have the microelectronics
>>infrastructure to field them properly on the necessary scale. We
>>don't have that excuse.

St. Petersburg is a good example of the contrasts. On the one hand
you have a plant making trailing edge technology. On the other hand,
you have a cottage industry of programmers writing sophisticated
video games and advanced software systems, mostly until very
recently using only pencil and paper. I've been working with one
of these groups for a few years. They just couldn't obtain computer
resources at any price. Now we've been able to get some Tiawan
clone machines to them, and their productivity has skyrocketed.
But they still can't get a simple dial up modem connection to work
through their antiquated phone system. They've been talking to
us about wireless solutions to bypass that infrastructure problem.

>Laser eye surgery was also pioneered in russia, around twenty years
>befor the west.

Yes, but the average level of their medical care system is appalling.
Doctors Without Boundaries has been sending teams over there to
give health care to their citizens for a while now. What they've found
has been shocking, IE hospitals without even the basic medical
supplies and with equipment dating to mid-century or earlier. Their
staffers *know* better, but have been unable to *do* better because
of the dismal condition of their economic systems. The legacy of
communism still weighs down their efforts to modernize. Things
we take for granted here, like a MRI machine in every hospital,
are largely unknown over there. And that isn't because they don't
know how to build them. The tokomak technology that they invented
shows that they clearly have the knowledge and ability to produce
them. What they lack is the economic power to do so on a wide
scale.

That's been the key point of this discussion. They've been forced
to cling to trailing edge technologies because they haven't had the
economic power to deploy better systems, even though they certainly
know how. They've been able to concentrate their limited economic
power to produce showcase items like their space program and
a few high tech bits of military hardware, but they've been unable
to do so on the mass level needed to let the technologies filter
down to the rank and file.

We've had a couple of ex-Soviet TV staffers working for us for
a few years now. They tell me that even today they are still amazed
when they go to the supermarket or the mall. The level of technology
available to the masses, and the quantity of it, still astounds them.
The level of technology which was restricted to their most advanced
military systems is a commonplace component of children's toys
over here. And that's the difference. Our economy has allowed us
to push high technology to the mass market level, theirs couldn't.

As an illustration of what that means, during the mid-80s, a Soviet
sonobouy was recovered in the Atlantic. When it was disassembled,
it was discovered that the embedded processor it used was from a
batch used to build Mattel toy robots. The Soviets had been buying
the toys, extracting the chips, and using them in their front line
military equipment. That's because they didn't have the fab capacity
to build their own in production volumes.

Any high tech enterprise depends on literally hundreds of other
enterprises to build the tools to build the tools to build the system.
Only a robust economic system can produce that at mass market
cost levels. Without it, you can do one-off showcase stunts, but
you can't field the technology on a large scale. So we have the
contrast of Russian troops being taught Morse Code, no doubt
on vacuum tube equipment, while their counterparts in the
West are being instructed in the use of digital comm systems
using advanced VLSI architectures. Where the two have clashed,
it hasn't been the primitive techniques which have won.

Both war and civil commerce have changed qualitatively since
WWII. The critical difference has been in the timely flow of
information to allow precision targeting of resources, whether
that's in a smart bomb, a air tasking order of a couple hundred
pages, or in just in time manufacturing and distribution inventory
tracking and control. The information flows needed to be competitive
today are orders of magnitude larger than in the WWII era. Morse
can't cut it, digital comms can.

Gary
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534 Shannon Way | We break it |
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3029. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwilson@DELETEflex.net
Message-ID: <34d34141.0@news.flex.net>
Source record: 180099
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

> If CW makes good hams (who goes through cleaning process), we
>shouldn't see swearings and LSB music stations on 80m band + with call
>signs.

There was a time when ham radio held a mystique that captured young minds. I remember when I came downstairs on Christmas morning of '74 and under the tree was a rig which was old even at that time, but still working well: a Hallicrafters HT-32B transmitter and a National HRO receiver. My dad and I were both interested, and listened a lot, and studied and practiced for the day when we could go on the air. I was licensed at age 12. My dad was at work when the licenses came in the mail, so I got to make the first contact. I still remember the thrill of getting on the air that afternoon. WN8TEE, Micky, age 15. Magic! Through a wire strung up in our front yard, I was communicating! Never mind we could have picked up the phone and called each other.

To someone with genuine appreciation for the radio art, and due respect and consideration for others on the band, it doesn't matter whether a person operates SSB, AM, CW, or something else. It just so happens that there are more of these considerate, respectful types on CW.

73
.....Monty N5NVM.

.....Monty.
mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

3030. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131142001.JAA13378@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180100

In article <34d32eb3.2951633@news.total.net>, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) writes:

>because the old foggies believe in old stuffs. because the old foggies
>wanna ride cars 100 years ago and stick with 286 machines and with CW.....

Which is all fine and dandy. Nobody is attempting to pry their 1941 Ford keys or their Commodore 64 keyboards away from them. But can you imagine how ridiculous it would be to require proficiency in operating a hand-crank starter to obtain a drivers license...or to show knowledge in the operation of an abacus in order to purchase a computer?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3031. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131142000.JAA01949@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180101

In article <19980131140501.JAA11841@ladder03.news.aol.com>, wa8ulx@aol.com (WA8ULX) writes:

>>Most of us don't think it's fun...and more importantly, do not
>believe that
>an entire test element in it's proficiency is justified.

No one cares what
>you think

Typical, low-intelligence answer from WA8ULX. But hey...at least you managed to get through an entire sentence this time without multiple errors in grammar, capitalization, spelling, and usage.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3032. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwilson@DELETEflex.net
Message-ID: <34d34275.0@news.flex.net>
Source record: 180102
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

Anyone can pick up a mike, squeeze a button, and yack. If that's
all the communication an emergency requires, COOL! But for the
most flexibility and readiness to handle any situation, it is best to be
ready for any band, any mode. Mobile, portable, or fixed. Line power,
generator, or batteries. And for this, one needs years of practice with
all modes including CW. Just learning enough to get your license and
then forgetting about the code is not good enough; you have to keep
using it.

> Unfortunately, CW emergency communcation is rarely used (if
>you know one, please give us the example).
>Many of amateur emergency communications are handled locally such as
>the use of 2m repeater OR else VOICE HF.
>(Moreover,) in commercial industry, 99% of ships now do not use CW as
>a method of communicating SOS.

......Monty.
mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

3033. Crown Amplifer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: CARL DOMANICO <cmd-dell@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <6avci8$1rq@bgtnsc03.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180103

For Sale: Crown International PSA-2X Professional Self-Anaylzing Stereo/Mono Amplifier...This Amplifier is a cream puff, Mint Condition, I'm the original owner, Have Manual and original Carton. It's a very Powerfull Amplifier, Rated as follows: 275 Watts RMS Per Channel into 8 ohms...460 Watts RMS Per Channel into 4 Ohms...700 Watts RMS Per Channel into 2 ohms...I also have the Optional Balanced Input Module Installed, Which allows you to feed the Amplifier with a preamp or mixer having a Balanced Output Signal, if Desired. It also has a built in Cooling Fan..But it runs cool even at power levels that would fill an auditorium. I really would rather keep it...but 2 years ago I moved back to the basement apartment of my parents and have no room for any stereo equipment...I've already sold the whole system...only piece left is the Crown Amplifier...If you are Familiar with Crown International, you will know that for the last 50 years they have been known for Extremly High Reliability, and excellent Quality.
I paid $2300 for the Amplifier complete w/ the Optional Balanced Input Module...I'm asking $1200 Firm...If your serious about the Amplifier e-mail me with your e-mail address and or telephone number at cmd-dell@worldnet.att.net

Thank You
Carl Domanico

3034. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131143101.JAA03101@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180104

In article <34d34141.0@news.flex.net>, mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) writes:

> I still remember the thrill of
getting on the air that afternoon. WN8TEE,
>Micky, age 15. Magic!
Through a wire strung up in our front yard, I was
>communicating! Never
mind we could have picked up the phone and called each
>other.

The magic is gone. Not because of the decreased use of Morse code, but because of the huge advances in technology that have occured since then. Decreased use of CW is a RESULT of this technology. Forty years ago...sure, it was "magic" to be able to send mechanical noises over the airwaves and communicate. These days, we have virtually free worldwide communications of audio, video, text, etc., via the Internet. Some people continue to embrace CW and send messages with a brass key for nostalgic purposes...and that's fine...just as some people choose to keep a 1957 Chevy in their garages for Sunday afternoon drives. But there is no legal justification in this day and age for continuing to require proficiency in Morse code as a condition of obtaining a radio license from the government. It is my belief that the Morse issue will eventually be argued in court on those grounds, and the requirement will then likely be dropped.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3035. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kf2ti@planet.net
Message-ID: <MPG.f3d0061d22aeb2c98994b@news.planet.net>
Source record: 180105

In article <19980131121701.HAA03884@ladder03.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com says...
> In article <19980131023500.VAA08948@ladder03.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com
> (RCrusoe) writes:
>
> >So? He asked for advice on how to learn the code. His decision to learn
> >was
> already made, and he had already begun and had made some progress.
> >The
> discussion had nothing to do with licensing or licensing requirements.
>
>
> And I'm simply advising him that learning the code is a waste of his time and
> energies that could better be spent elsewhere.
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
>
Sure like how to be a racist and a bigot. how to do things illegally.
Speaking of which..you haven't notified the FCC of your change of address
you naughty boy you.

BTW, see you no longer frequent misc.ks. guess you learned your lesson
when you got fired from your last job on account of your racist
views..tsk tsk tsk

from the sunny central Florida market to windy central Kansas. what a
step up???
--
Steve KF2TI
KF2TI@planet.net
http://www.planet.net/adell

This is the wattle, the emblem of our land,
you can put it in a bottle
you can hold it in your hand

GADAY BRUCE!!!

3036. Re: Myth #2: CW Emergency Communication

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131143301.JAA03423@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180106

In article <34d34275.0@news.flex.net>, mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) writes:

>Anyone can pick up a mike, squeeze a button, and yack. If that's all the
>communication an emergency requires, COOL! But for the most flexibility and
>readiness to handle any situation, it is best to be ready for any band, any
>mode. Mobile, portable, or fixed. Line power, generator, or batteries. And
>for this, one needs years of practice with all modes including CW. Just
>learning enough to get your license and then forgetting about the code is not
>good enough; you have to keep using it.

Emergency communications are an optional part of amateur radio. Nowhere in the rules does it say that one must participate in emergency communications in order to obtain/retain their license. Furthermore, in this day and age, VERY few emergency messages are still delivered via Morse code. The SHIPS and the MILITARY don't even use it anymore...even if you DID send a message in Morse, who would hear and be able to decipher it?

Rubbish.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3037. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131143601.JAA15126@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180107

In article <MPG.f3d0061d22aeb2c98994b@news.planet.net>, kf2ti@planet.net (Steve (KF2TI - Landing, NJ)) writes:

>Sure like how to be a racist and a bigot. how to do things illegally.
>
Speaking of which..you haven't notified the FCC of your change of address
>
you naughty boy you.

BTW, see you no longer frequent misc.ks. guess you
>learned your lesson
when you got fired from your last job on account of your
>racist
views..tsk tsk tsk

Whatever you say, Steve-O. Guess you're the ultimate authority on everything. Should I begin praying to you in the morning...or would you prefer the evening instead?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3038. Re: Myth #3: "No CW, it will become CB"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwilson@DELETEflex.net
Message-ID: <34d3456e.0@news.flex.net>
Source record: 180108
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

> Some [Pro-CWers] say HF amateur bands will become CB band if
>there is no CW requirement for HF bands.

I don't like to state it in those terms because it's pure CB bashing. And I believe CB radio has its place. But a loosening of requirements, any requirements, for licensing will have the effect of allowing more unskilled and uninformed persons on the air. This is not per se a bad thing. In this case, good and bad are judgment calls, it depends on what kind of hobby and radio service you want. Consider this: do you think it would be a better or worse ham radio if all the tests were just replaced by an application to be sent to Washington with a $10 filing fee? Believe it or not, some people agree with you on this and others do not. It depends on what kind of hobby you want radio to be. For many of us, a ham radio license is an earned reward for study and practice. And isn't a prerequisite for getting into the hobby.

>10 years ago before no-code license was created, many said the same
>thing. "VHF bands would be flooded and would become worse than CB
>radio" It didn't happen.

Yes. And what else didn't happen? Hordes of techies who couldn't or wouldn't get up to dead-slow 5wpm code but were otherwise the most brilliant minds in the world were supposed to come running to ham radio and save the hobby. Listening to the extremists on either side is perhaps mildly amusing but basically a waste.

>Umm... do the amateurs who do not go
>through the CW elimination will be same as CBers...
>Listen to 2m and 440. It's much clean compared to some HF bands
>where you can listen to those CW foggies who breaks the law and makes
>the bad representation of ham community.

Cleaner from a language usage standpoint but dirtier from a standpoint of being populated by unskilled and uninformed people. This effect isn't fully realized yet, of course, because there are so many knowledgeable people on VHF that conversations tend toward science. But it is definitely changing. And when you make the comparison with HFers, don't let a few lids on 75m represent the whole of HFers. You must listen to 160, 17m, 15m, 30m, all the HF bands to make the overall representation.

Oh, by the way, the "foggies" as you so call them who use bad language on SSB are NOT USING CW! They practiced enough to get an HF license and dropped it for the less respectful mode of SSB. This should

tell you something. Maybe not.

.....Monty.
mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

3039. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwilson@DELETEflex.net
Message-ID: <34d3466f.0@news.flex.net>
Source record: 180109
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

> If CW is fun, why less than 0.01% of whole population in the
>world know the CW ?

I don't know how to ski, but I'll bet it's fun. Some people just
don't take the time. Besides, being fun or not-fun is a judgment
call. I know people who have learned and practiced the code
just as a means of getting on HF, or on the air, then forgot about
it because they don't find it fun.

It is useless arguing about something that's purely in the mind
of the beholder because there's no accounting for taste.

> It may be fun, but it is not fun of the majority.

You really judge what's fun by majority vote? That's weird. Do
all the things you like to do have to be enjoyable by a majority
of people? That's downright strange.

Better go check 30m for openings. See ya.

......Monty.
mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

3040. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: mwilson@DELETEflex.net
Message-ID: <34d34904.0@news.flex.net>
Source record: 180110
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:

>CW:

>Also some say you can communicate who doesn't know English (or simply
>between different languages) very well. This is a false statement.

Not on its face. It depends on what you call communication. For some,
even on voice modes, all that is desired is name, location, and signal
report. CW abbreviations make this very possible even without a common
language. If you want to have a "real life conversation," you'll need to find
a common language. But that's also necessary in voice. So CW allows
limited communication without a common language while voice alone allows
none. So it's capability, although limited.

>... If you have no idea what " J'ai 18 ans. " (if
>someone transmits in CW) means, you are deadend !!

I think even our President knows this statement, in all languages! :-)

>Some additional comments about CW:

> - Too slow (1/1000000 of internet or digital signal ?????)

Too slow again is a judgment call and depends on what you are looking
for. I run about 27 wpm usually. And without repetition that's fast enough
for me to chat. You'd be surprised at the conversations you can have at
that speed. I've discussed antenna designs, modulation techniques, and
just yesterday the acquisitions by Boeing and Compaq.

> - Obselete, Outdated

Well this one has yet to be proven. The human voice is an older mode
of communication than Morse, and voice is not obsolete yet.

> - CQ CQ CQ only. No real life conversation

CQ is only a method of making contact. You never heard a CQ in voice?
You must hang out on 20m. Real life conversation is what comes after
the initial call.

> - Not many people in the world know it.

Listen on 30m or the bottom end of 20m sometime. This statement is
definitely untrue.
......Monty.
mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

3041. Re: *WTB: RS HTX-202 *BELTCLIP*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tom@astro.net
Message-ID: <6av8p8$i7k$3@news.mhv.net>
Source record: 180111

In article <19980131032601.WAA05723@ladder02.news.aol.com>, teenham@aol.com (Teen Ham) wrote:
>Hey there...
>
> I am posting this message for a friend, he is looking for a belt clip (which
>also acts a heat sink) for the Realistic HTX-202 2 Meter HT. Perhaps you have
>one from a old "junked" 202? Please contact me and I will give you his phone
>number. His call is N3YMT. If you have a belt clip (to sell), please e-mail
>me back. Thank you.
>
>73 DE N3ZVM
>http://members.aol.com/EugeneD

Radio shack should be able to get you one. Check with them.
They can't cost that much.

73,
Tom

Tom Randall Amateur Radio - KB2SMS
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APRS on 145.790 - Dutchess county,N.Y. Join us!
Member: AAVSO Solar Division

My Astronomy/Ham radio site: http://www1.mhv.net/~trandall/welcome.html

Opinions herein are mine and may not be that of MHV.NET!

3042. No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5bcu@qsl.net
Message-ID: <886260521.683343885@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180112
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

The following is an excerpt from an article in Ham Radio Online. http://www.hamradio-online.com/1998/jan/rebecca.html Rebecca Rich (KB0VVT) became interested in amateur radio while her mother, Barbara (KG0UT), was studying for her licenses. I developed a software application using Visual Basic for Windows to use for studying the amateur radio theory. There are many good computer programs available to assist amateur radio study. Rebecca would pretend that she was studying like her mom. She was seven when she earned the Technician Class License on March 23, 1996. Six months later, on September 28, 1996, she earned the Advanced Class License. Now, the pressure was on mom and dad to join their daughter in studying for their Extra Class licenses. I hope the readers find the following information useful and inspiring. The tips presented can be used for any class license one seeks.

If an 8 YEAR OLD can learn that much code, anyone should be able to do it. Read the rest of the article. I think you'll find it VERY interesting.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

3043. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: plains.parson@NO.worldnet.att.net.SPAM
Message-ID: <6avg1i$gna@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180113
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Fri, 30 Jan 1998 08:04:54 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
posted:

>Puleezee, Cecil, give him another.....Charlie could benefit from a great
>number of messages of wisdom...

Perhaps the Dickster would benefit from taking his own advice? =0)

KA9HRT [No-Code International (NCI) member #1291]; Visit: http://www.nocode.org
(NOTE: Remove "NO." and ".SPAM" from domain ID to reply)

3044. Re: 160m Open !!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d344ad.86237866@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180114
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 13:52:29 GMT, cute@radiotelephone.net.ham (Cutie Boy) wrote:
>On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 12:30:18 GMT, ke4zv@bellsouth.net (Gary Coffman)
>wrote:
>
>>They allow us to operate at a lower power and with less expense
>>than do analog methods.
>
>The computer allows us to operate at much lower power with less
>expense than the CW methods. So what ????

That maximizes communications utility while minimizing the impact
on other spectral users. That is generally considered a good combination
of properties in a communications system.

Gary
Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it |mail to ke4zv@bellsouth.net
534 Shannon Way | We break it |
Lawrenceville, GA | Guaranteed |

3045. Re: So long, Slick Willie...draft-dodger, cheat, liar, coward, and adulterer.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: rsumner35@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <6avjg1$mt6$1@nnrp2.dejanews.com>
Source record: 180115

In article <19980131000501.TAA03613@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
cbrambo@aol.com (CBRambo) wrote:
>
> In article <19980130201101.PAA29283@ladder02.news.aol.com>, rcrusoe@aol.com
> (RCrusoe) writes:
>
> >The thing with Billary will be resolved through due process.
> >Hopefully,
> whatever resolution we get will be the right one. It might not,
> >though, and we
> may just have to accept that the system is not perfect.
>
> Tyhe system is a joke. It was broken a long time ago. Fortunately, people
are
> finally starting to wake up and take notice. Only problem is that they do
not
> always respond in the most effective manner when they do realize how corrupt
> their government has become. This is what the Oklahoma City bombing was all
> about.
>
> >BTW,
> >maybe this thread should move to another ng. Been going a while and
> >it
> doesn't seem to have much relevance, and the entertainment value is
> >approaching
> nil after so long.
>
> Well, people keep responding and it seems to have no trouble attracting
> posters. Everyone has something to say on the matter. And don't you
> agree...it sure beats the endless code vs no-code arguments, right?
>
> "Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

WHAT I WANT KNOW IS HOW THE DRAFT DODGER CAN SEND HIS UGLY LESBO DAUGHTER TO
STANFORD,SHE CAN STOP A TRUCK

3046. FM Transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Stan Slaughter <NOSPAMSlaughter@home.net>
Message-ID: <34D344DD.98091AB4@home.net>
Source record: 180116

I'm looking for information on a VERY low power FM Broadcast transmitter. I'm trying to find something that I can hook up to the 2M rig in my shack and broadcast to all of the FM receivers in my house. I've tried 2 or 3 different commercially available transmitters and they all stink. They can barely transmit across the room. Does anyone know
1) What the max output power is that is allowed?
2) Any place to order such an item?

Thanks

Stan
N4GUX

3047. Windows logging/packet freeware

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: m.mcamis@valley.net
Message-ID: <34d35a14.0@news7.kcdata.com>
Source record: 180117

Disappointed with your Windows logging or packet software?
Try XMLog, freeware that's available on the Internet.
XMLog provides a flexible set of coordinated logging
and packet features.

XMLog is available at: http://www.xmlog.com

*** Feedback ***

Let me know if you:
- Want more info
- Can't fetch the file
- Want a diskette instead

Have fun...

Mike McAmis/W1ECT (ex-WA3ECT)
433 Hanover Center Road
Etna, NH - 03750

m.mcamis@valley.net (e-mail)
W1ECT @ W1ET.NH (packet)
YCCC PacketCluster (at K1XX)

3048. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net>
Message-ID: <34D347F5.AB9D964B@flash.net>
Source record: 180118
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

Cutie Boy wrote:

> On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 00:30:37 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:
>
> >"By the government regulations, all aircrafts in air and the air traffic control
> >must have at least one person who holds the radio operator's certificate for
> >aeronautical. For your information, for the aircrafts, usually, the pilots hold the
> >certificates. Nowadays, the pilots operate the aircrafts and communicate with air
> >traffic control at the same time"
>
> >Buddy, if this was taken directly from an exam, or study guide Canada is in a heap
> >of trouble.
>
> huh ?

Huh? Duh? Wha? Hello, wake up call for Mr. Masa, anybody home? You post study guides and exam information on your web site and claim the information is taken from Government Publications. The above comes from a document you call

"Amateur Radio and Professional Radio Certificate Exam Information"

Cutieboy wrote:
>I am taking the info directly from the exams. If my study guide is
>wrong, then the exams are wrong. Well... too bad.

Here are some other favorites from the same document under the heading "Amateur Radio Certificates"

"The basic concept of the amateur radio is the same as CB radio (walkie-talkie)."
<- My personal favorite
"The people can keep in touch with or just talk with others by using two-way radios"
"You can talk with anyone in the world, but some countries forbid the amateur radio communications (ie. Zaire, Iraq).
You do not want to interfere other countries' jurisdictions."

The above are all very amusing but the winner by a quarter length goes to :

"The government (nationally and internationally) and we, the amateur community would like to see your knowledge so that we all can enjoy amateur radio communications"

Well done Masa, I can see how you pay close attention to detail and your clearly focused on publishing a well written and accurate document. Perhaps you can use these documents as testimonials to your professionalism when you graduate and begin looking for employment.

Tim, ka8ddz

3049. Re: FM Transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131155801.KAA25348@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180119

In article <34D344DD.98091AB4@home.net>, Stan Slaughter
<NOSPAMSlaughter@home.net> writes:

>I'm looking for information on a VERY low power FM Broadcast
transmitter. I'm
>trying to find something that I can hook up to the 2M
rig in my shack and
>broadcast to all of the FM receivers in my house.
I've tried 2 or 3 different
>commercially available transmitters and they
all stink. They can barely
>transmit across the room. Does anyone know
1) What the max output power is
>that is allowed?
2) Any place to order such an item?

You're looking for a Ramsey transmitter. They make several different models...the 10A, 25A, and other "export" models with power levels as high as 10 watts. Of course, these are not legal for use in the U.S., although there seem to be quite a few in use :-) Low-end pirate broadcasters tend to like these.

Bottom line: the "legal" FM transmitters are basically nothing more than "Mr. Microphone" type toys. They have less power than the 49Mhz toy walkie-talkies. If you want something that works, you'll have to go the other route. The Ramsey equipment does work quite well, by the way. Plenty of signal and good, clean, stereo audio if installed and operated correctly.

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3050. Re: No-Code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cbrambo@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131155801.KAA13955@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180120

In article <886260521.683343885@dejanews.com>, kd5bcu@qsl.net writes:

>If an 8 YEAR OLD can learn that much code, anyone should be able to do
it.

Once again, whether someone "can" or cannot" learn something has nothing to do with whether a requirement is relevent and necessary for the purposes of obtaining a government license to perform the activity.

I "could" pass the test for a motorcycle endorsement on my drivers license, too...but there is no reason nor requirement for me to do so, since I have no intention of operating a motorcycle. Get it?

"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
"I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

3051. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: "Glenn, AA5PK" <aa5pk@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <6avifj$1rl@bgtnsc02.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 180121

CBRambo wrote:
>Most of us don't think it's fun...and more importantly, do not
>believe that an entire test element in it's proficiency is justified.

In reply to WA8ULX, CBRambo wrote:
> But hey...at least you managed to get through an entire sentence
> this time without multiple errors in grammar, capitalization, spelling,
and usage.

You, on the other hand, did not. "It's" is the contraction for "it is"
whereas "its" is the possessive for "it."

Glenn AA5PK

3052. Re: Renewing Station License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: bb840@scn.org
Message-ID: <Enno8A.GMC@scn.org>
Source record: 180122

License modifications filed within 90 days of expiration are
automatically renewed for 10 years. Those filed more than 90 days of
expiration are not.

73 de KD7MK

In a previous article, c3p0@starwars.com ("LHS") says:

>Not completly true...
>
>I just got a call sign change and my expiration date was changed to 10 years
>after the issuance of my new call.
>
>Lawrence K5LHS
>
>**********
>**********
>Don Jennings wrote in message <34D023A2.958@frontiernet.net>...
>Darin Vandecar wrote:
>>
>> I recently completed the standard FCC form for updating a station address.
>> Upon receiving my new station license, I was surprised to see that my
>> expiration was still only 2 years off. I expected my expiration to be
>> extended for another 10 years. I even remember answering a question as to
>> whether or not to renew the license.
>>
>> Can anyone tell me the appropriate form to extend the expiration...been
>out of
>> amateur for several years and now finding the time to return.
>>
>> Darin
>You can't extend the expiration. You should file your 610 abt. 90 to 60
>days in advance of your expiration date for license renewal.
>Whenever you have a change of address, change of callsign etc.. the
>expiration will stay the same.
>
>73's
>Don Jennings..KI0EO..
>VE ARRL/VEC
>
>
>

--
Jim Aeschliman bb840@scn.org

Black Diamond, Washington KD7MK

3053. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d352d1.6828654@news.total.net>
Source record: 180123
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 14:18:47 GMT, mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) wrote:

> I was
>licensed at age 12.

> WN8TEE, Micky, age 15.
> Magic!

yeah it was magic. If you can find out some 15 year old kid on CW now, let me know. I will be grad make a contact.

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3054. Re: Myth #5: CW is good for communicating

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d3545f.7227028@news.total.net>
Source record: 180124
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 14:51:56 GMT, mwilson@DELETEflex.net (Monty Wilson) wrote:

>> - Not many people in the world know it.

>Listen on 30m or the bottom end of 20m sometime. This statement is >definitely untrue.

>mwilson@REMOVEflex.net

Not many people in the world know the CW (compared to the number of people who knows CW). I will say less than 0.00001% of world population knows CW... thus not many people in the world know it.

Think of the population in the US. How many people know CW ??

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3055. Re: Myth #8: ARRL supports CW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6avkdn$1hf$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180125

In article <19980131121700.HAA03885@ladder03.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>>The ARRL simply protects the interests of hams like me who
>>believe the code requirement serves a useful purpose.

>Which is exactly why their membership numbers keep declining.

Err, ARRL membership figures have consistantly been on the INCREASE.

>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"

Spending too much time in front of the CB, obviously.

> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"

Maybe she should spend some time reading up on material to get his
facts straight before he opens his mouth to "talk tough."

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

3056. Myth #11: There is Driver's License

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d35627.7682951@news.total.net>
Source record: 180126
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

There is Driver's License in most of (? or all ?) North America.

When one takes an exam, the exam does not ask you how the engine works nor how the speed meter works. Instead, you get an exam which is directly related to actual operation of the vehicle... practical.

For the amateur radio, CW takes care of almost everything (for HF bands). Knowing CW has nothing to do with actual operation of the radio... especially those who are looking for making contacts in voice.

The amateur radio should focus more on practical part (ie. how to store the frequency into the memory etc. as many Pro-CWers who I know of don't know.), not CW.

If someone wants to make a contact in CW, go ahead. Don't force it to others.

It's like forcing driver license candidates to know how the engine works. If you want to know how the engine works because it may be useful in your life, go ahead. If you think it must be forced, you must be really strange.

You say CW makes a good ham. You say the knowledge of engine makes a good driver. What a strange statement...

[Myth End]

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3057. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kh6hz@anomaly.ideamation.com.NO-SPAM
Message-ID: <6avli0$1jj$1@anomaly.ideamation.com>
Source record: 180127

In article <19980131125201.HAA24170@ladder02.news.aol.com>,
CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:

>Better question: how many earth-shattering, technical breakthroughs have been
>created by ANY ham in the last 7 years...coded or not? Very few, I'll bet.

And its going to get worse. The complexity level of working with electronic components has progressed beyond the capabilities of the home hobbiest. Custom ICs, surface mount technology, high-density manufacturing techniques -- all contribute to making today's ham operator an appliance operator, not a electronics enthusiast.

>These days, it's the computer nerds that make the world go 'round. Ham
>operators ceased to be important contributors to cutting-edge technology LONG
>ago!

Sure has.

MD
--
-- Ted Kennedy has killed more people with his car than I have
-- with my guns.
--
-- If you don't like my opinions, that's just too damn bad.

3058. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d35a9f.8826947@news.total.net>
Source record: 180128
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

You are not answering my questions, but trying to confuse others.

Please be considerate.

I said ***CANADIAN BASIC STUDY GUIDE*** IS BASED ON GOVERNMENT EXAM = GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION.

CAN'T YOU READ ENGLISH ?? GO BACK TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IDIOT.

YOUR ENGLISH MUST BE WORSE THAN MINE.

HOW ABOUT IF YOU TAKE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE ??

In mean time, if you have time to make the impression that I seem to be stupid, you should see yourself so you don't look stupid.

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ATTENTION: Je n'ach�terai pas ou r�ponse aucun produit des C�S non sollicit�s!!

3059. Re: Myth #4: CW is fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131171201.MAA05650@ladder03.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180129

>Typical, low-intelligence answer from WA8ULX. But hey...at least you managed
>to get through an entire sentence this time without multiple errors in
>grammar,
>capitalization, spelling, and usage.
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>"Where's that big 'ol CB RAMBO??"
> "I wanna hear him TALK TOUGH!!"
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It seems to be the only way you can understand anything, maybe you ought to forget Ham Radio and become a Grammer Teacher, or maybe even a Composer of the English Language since you never have any real comments to make.

3060. Re: 5WPM is NO CODE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: wa8ulx@aol.com
Message-ID: <19980131171400.MAA24498@ladder02.news.aol.com>
Source record: 180130

You mean to tell me this CB RAMBUTT is actually Dippy DREW

3061. Re: Canadian Basic Study Guide Online !!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: cute@radiotelephone.net.ham
Message-ID: <34d35ba2.9086056@news.total.net>
Source record: 180131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur

On Sat, 31 Jan 1998 12:08:18 -0500, Tim Hynde <hynde@flash.net> wrote:

>Have it your way, here are a few from the BASIC STUDY GUIDE,under the heading
>"Interference problems and solutions"

>"- A double conversion receiver: two IF stages, two local oscillators + bear
>frequency oscillator"

>Well I've seen uh Teddy bear, and I've seen uh Circus bear but I aint neva seen a
>bear frequency oscillator....

so ? what do you want to say ? the exam asks you the question
and if you say you don't know the bear frequency oscillator so the
choice (of multiple) say incorrect, you don't get the point for this
question.

Because most of the study guide is not based on the government exams,
no reason why many people fail the exam.

>"-The receiver can pick up more signals (weak strength) = less noises"

>Now I understand why my S mode down converter isn't working. I need more "noises" to
>increase my signal strength...

huh ?

>"-Image Frequency Problems: You hear something, but you are not tuned to
>"something."

> If you are tuning to 12 MHz but hear something on 5 MHz, then your
>intermediate frequency (or IF) is 7 MHz"

>Man, I can't hear "anything", should I tune to "something" or just tune to "anything"
>and try to hear "something"?

If you don't know how to tune to the image, ignore it. You don't
know anything about the radio.

>"Connecting these meters will act in circuit as... low value resistance"

ammeter or voltmter or it doesn't matter. ask the professional for
the details. the question asks the similar thing on the exam (low
value resistance as a choice). If you don't know you don't get
any marks !!!!!

Since many study guides out there don't mention about this, many
people don't pass the exam. period.

>What balls you must have to actually ask $20 Canadian
> for this garbage.
^^^^^^^^^^^^

This is an insult. I do not tolerate this.

> Are you
>surprized that you haven't gotten rich yet?

because everything is available for free, why pay for it ??
you must be really stupid if you really think you can get money by
giving away full version of shareware or whatelse.

> Here's a little hint for you Masa, when
>attempting to promote study guides and exam material it is somewhat important that
>the matierial is correct.

material is correct according to the exam.
I will find out the question for you if you wish (from the exam).
If there is such a question that I have on my study guide, what are
you going to do ??
Are you going to apolozise because what I say is correct ? (based on
the exam ?)

> It makes a big difference to the person reading it.

yeah, it doesn't make a big different to the person reading 100s of
pages of study material.

Joli Gar�on (�galement connu comme M@S@)
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3062. Interference with cable/phone?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kjpodsia@cyberramp.net
Message-ID: <kjpodsia-3101981125460001@dal-tsa20-51.cyberramp.net>
Source record: 180132

Hello.

I am seeking some help. For the past several months, I've been getting interference on my cable TV in the form of a garbled human voice. This I had tolerated, but recently I have noticed that this interference has also been affecting my phone lines, causing my modem to disconnect frequently when it occurs.

First of all, am I correct in my deduction that this is probably caused by a ham operator? If so, then I need some further help. I am in an apartment complex and while I would like to track down the source, going door-to-door is likely to be too time-consuming. Does anyone know of some sort of instrument (not too expensive, I hope!) which I could use to track down the interference and have the guy knock it off (or readjust his set in some way)?

Thanks in advance for any help; email replies are preferred, though I will try to scan this group.

--
Kevin Podsiadlik (AKA KJP)

Confucious say: Man in oval office very hard to corner.

3063. Re: No-code Cry-Babies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: kd5bcu@qsl.net
Message-ID: <886267088.936312847@dejanews.com>
Source record: 180133
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

>If an 8 YEAR OLD can learn that much code, anyone should be able to do it.

Let me appologize for that statement. It seems to be very prejudicial. That was NOT my intent. I realize that there are a number of amateurs out there who have touble learning code. I did not mean to try and put you down at all.

Now, back to the original point. The No-Code camp wants the code requirement dropped as a part of amateur testing. That is all fine and dandy. The problem is that this is not likely to happen any time soon. If it does, GREAT. Then we can all find something else to argue about.

----------==== Posted via Deja News ====----------
http://www.dejanews.com/ Search, Read, Post to Usenet

3064. Re: Myth #1: CW makes good hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6avnhv$hvi@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180134
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Ugly Boy <ugly@radiotelephone.net.ham> wrote:
> If CW makes good hams (who goes through cleaning process), we
>shouldn't see swearings and LSB music stations on 80m band + with call
>signs.

CW and LSB are two different modes. Besides, CW *does* make good hams -
listen to CW on 80m and tell us if you can hear any swearing.
Jeff KH2PZ

3065. Re: [When they kill code, why not the written too?]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu
Message-ID: <6avo5a$i9v@news.Hawaii.Edu>
Source record: 180135

CBRambo <cbrambo@aol.com> wrote:
>Only for people like you who are apparently too stupid to know how to convert
>them to operate on 10 meters. Guess that makes you one of the "appliance
>operators" that you beepers always gripe and complain about.

He's built gear from scratch, so you shouldn't call him "stupid." But
let's have a pop quiz: Tell us step-by-step how *you* have converted
one to 10m.

Jeff KH2PZ

3066. Re: Kill the CW Band Allocation in USA.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 1998-01-31 00:00:00 UTC
From: ke4zv@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <34d360f0.93474552@news.atl.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 180136
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

On Mon, 26 Jan 1998 18:00:20 -0600, Richard Carroll <w0ex@scan.missouri.org>
wrote:
>Gary Coffman wrote: >
>RC> > OK all you No-Coders--There it is. Straight from the Horses
>Mouth.
>> >Morse code is the easiest thing in the world to learn, nothing hard at
>> >all about it. Just a little Pavlovian Conditioning, any ordinary
>> >tapeworm can do it.
>>
>> I don't know that tapeworms could do it, but it is Pavlovian conditioning.
>> If you've ever attempted to condition a flatworm or dog, however, you
>> know it isn't easy. And the higher the intelligence of the subject, the
>> harder it becomes. Conditioning requires *unthinking* response.
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>
> You're saying the dumber the dog, the easier he is to train. Any kid
>who grew up around animals knows better than that.

Nope, I said *condition* not train. Conditioned responses are easier
to generate when the subject isn't smart enough to figure out another
response than the one you want. If you've ever dealt with horses and
mules, you know what I mean. The mule is smarter, but it is much
harder to condition him to respond properly to your stimulus. In fact,
he's liable to give you a look which says, "you've got to be kidding"
before he kicks your fool head in.

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